CHRISTIANNE'S LYCEUM OF LITERATURE AND ART

SPRING BREAK Literary Workshops

Full Day Literature & Art Programs

for children and youth, ages 5 to 14

March 13 to 24, 2023

THE AMAZING MAURICE & HIS EDUCATED RODENTS
THE BOY, THE MOLE, THE FOX & THE HORSE
THE RELUCTANT DRAGON
FATHER GOOSE
THE PRINCE OF BUTTERFLIES
HARRY POTTER
CHARLIE & THE GREAT GLASS ELEVATOR
SPIDERMAN
SPIDERWICK CHRONICLES
ADVENTURES IN ANCIENT EGYPT
& SO MUCH MORE

YOUR MAP TO LITERARY TREASURE.

Maybe you found the map in a mysterious-looking trunk in your great aunt's attic. Maybe a wizard knocked on your door one evening and gave it to you. Maybe you inherited it from an elderly uncle you always suspected was a pirate. However you got it, it's yellow and faded. You squint in the dim light, trying to read its markings. The words that reveal themselves are familiar - The Berkshire Downs, Wonka's Chocolate Factory, Hogwarts (of course) - and beside each, a large black X.

Treasure!

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The Lyceum's Night Castle

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New York City

The Berkshire Downs

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About Spring Break Literary Workshops at Christianne's Lyceum of Literature & Art

At the Lyceum we believe that every book contains treasure. Whether it's an unforgettable character who feels like a new friend, or an idea you never would have thought of on your own, stories glitter with riches beyond our wildest dreams. During our spring break programs, we'll be treating classic works of literature as the exciting locations of this buried treasure, adventuring into them to see what glittering hoards we're able to uncover. Each day of our spring break program is devoted to one book, allowing us plenty of time to read selections, and use these readings as the jumping off points for troves of priceless artistic creations, and adventurous outdoor forays. Children don't need to have read these books before attending camp - our program is designed to work both as an introduction for newcomers, and a celebration for those who have visited these pages before.

Our camp schedule is customizable. Your child can come for a day or two of our programming, join us for a week, or join us for the entire two weeks. Each day of camp stands alone, but also links thematically to all the other days. This makes it easy to drop in for a day of Harry Potter magic, or Despereaux chivalry, but it also means that those joining us for longer benefit from a rich and layered experience.

About Our Instructors

All of our programs are created by Dr. Christianne Hayward, one of Vancouver's preeminent children's literature and literacy specialists, in conjunction with her staff. Each class benefits from a high staff to student ratio, and the diverse passions of the Lyceum team. For information about our instructors, please visit our website: www.christianneslyceum.com.

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About Literary Workshops for Ages 5 to 13

TIME:
9:00 AM to 4:30 PM*

COST: One day: $135 + GST
Any 5 days: $625 + GST
All 10 days: $1,200 + GST

*Early drop-off and late pick up can be arranged for $10 + GST per half hour

A Note About Age Ranges

We work to ensure that our programs benefit from their broad age-range. The Lyceum's unique storytelling approach breaks through presumed age recommendations for literary readings, bringing complexities into focus for younger readers, and extracting deeper themes and global resonances for older readers. Older participants are presented with valuable leadership opportunities, while younger campers are inspired by their older classmates. After all, what would Aslan have been without the Pevensie's? Or Harry without Dumbledore's guidance?

Snack and Lunch

There will be a supervised 1.5 hour lunch period during which we will screen selections from the film adaptations of the day's book (or a related film) and take a trip outdoors (weather permitting). Campers are asked to bring a packed lunch and weather appropriate clothing.

The Lyceum provides a healthy snack for participants, which includes: rice crackers, cheese, a variety of fruit and water. We are able to accommodate most allergies.

TO REGISTER or for more information,
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Spring Break Literary Workshops

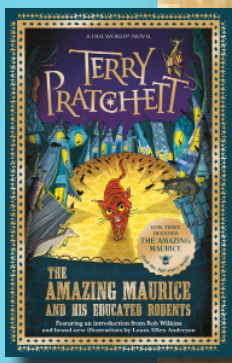
March 13 to 24, 2023

Monday, March 13

Destination: Bad Blintz

The Amazing Maurice and His Educated Rodents

If you haven't yet experienced the spine-tingling literary webs woven by the great Terry Pratchett, then we certainly wouldn't want you missing out. For devoted fans and new followers alike, Pratchett's richness of character and far away realms act as escapism we wish we could take with us into adulthood. Acting as an introduction to one of the Lyceum's most mastered crafts, we'll immerse students in the world of Maurice, the clan and many more, before felting enough furry friends to forge an unbreakable army. Christianne will guide the group in selecting reams of locally sourced and naturally dyed wool to form the perfect colour palette for their characters.



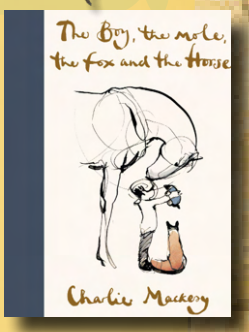
This is a craft best practiced with patience, but don't worry if that's in short supply - we'll take plenty of breaks to cozy up with hot chocolate, watch clips from the movie, and fuel ourselves with delectable treats.

Attendance in this camp is a sure fire way to expand the literary horizons of the ones you love.

Tuesday, March 14

Destination: No Fixed Address

The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse



Boy asked, "What is the bravest word you have ever uttered?" Horse answered, "Help."

Boy needs to find home and he is lucky to have the friendship of three as he journeys in search of what makes "home." When Charlie Mackesy released *The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse* in 2019, readers were swept off their feet as they experienced new depths of kindness, courage and hope; commodities that are in very short supply in today's world of rushed algorithms. This charming book full of parables has been made into a short animation and its enduring lessons brought to life on camera. We'll add to our book experience by watching the film as we munch our lunch. Next we'll use the sumptuous images in the book as inspiration for a series of watercolour paintings to be mounted on an acrylic canvas. Christianne will guide the group through a free-spirited sketching session, focusing on heart and passion just as much as technique, before we sweep soft watercolour across the page, adding the perfect finishing touches. Of course there will be tiny cakes for us to decorate, as Mole is convinced "the world is a better place with cake."

Wednesday, March 15

Destination: The Berkshire Downs

The Reluctant Dragon

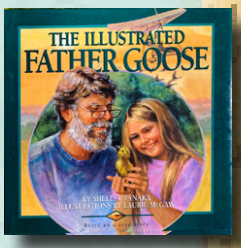
Often referred to as the most mythical of creatures, dragons entertain, enthrall and encapsulate the magic of medieval times; bring a little bit of history into our modern minds and equal measures of mystique. Over the course of this day, we'll explore these leviathans in several pieces of children's literature. Starting the day, Christianne will read *The Reluctant Dragon*, a tale that beautifully showcases what the persistence of one young boy and a very determined dragon can do to affect change. Students will paint the background of a wood plaque painting, and then bring their own dragons to life incorporating found object collage. It'll be hard to believe that your child's handiwork won't just fly right out of the frame, and take its rightful seat next to you reading poetry at the dinner table.

Thursday, March 16

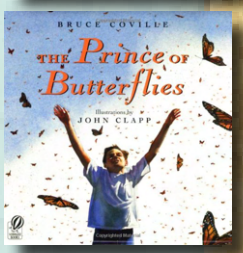
Destination: Migrating

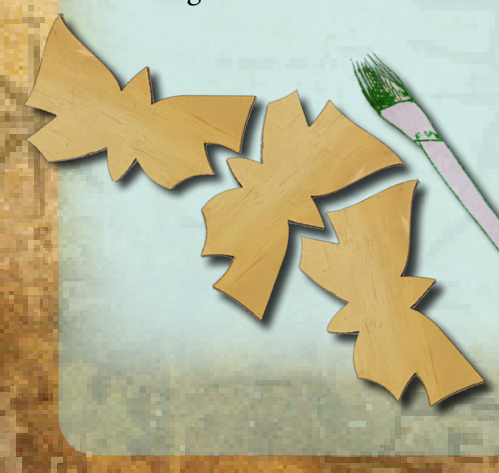
Father Goose and *The Prince of Butterflies*

We're taking the chance to introduce your youth to two lesser known tales, and we're sure they'll be carrying both with them through the next generation and beyond.



Starting with the true story of *Father Goose*, we'll take the group on a heartwarming journey following William Lishman as he adopts a gaggle of geese, teaching them how to fly with the ingenious aid of an ultralight glider. Christianne will then use the threads of togetherness and compassion weaving them into another of her favourite works. As the importance of the 'pack' can never be underestimated in nature, sometimes all we need is a little push in the right direction. In *The Prince of Butterflies*, Coville explores these themes through the complex and mesmerizing beauty of the monarch butterfly. Students will use their learnings to paint intricate 12 piece infinity puzzles (cut by Ben Hayward, Christianne's nephew) reminiscent of the mind boggling markings that nature has birthed. What a way to immortalize their time with us.



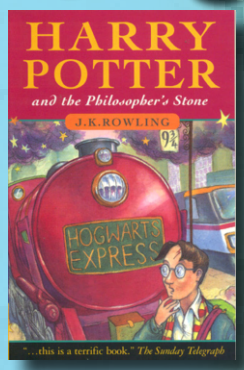


Friday, March 17

Destination: Hogwarts

Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone

Somehow the magic of J. K. Rowling's wizarding world endures year after year after year! With each one that passes our knowledge of Rowling's Wizarding World deepens and we're confident of our expertise in the field. This time however, we're going to go back to the beginning…back to where it all started. We'll start by declaring potions class in session, mixing and matching until the right concoction has formed, flexed and bubbled over. No witch or wizard can summon on an empty stomach so we'll make sure to add fuel to the (absent) fire with delectable butterbeer before moving on.



The rest of the day promises to be action packed as we bear witness to the birth of our baby mandrakes, making sure to take notes on how to keep them alive…and quiet. Last, but not least we'll equip each student with a wand, unique to them, for maximum potency, but rest assured that there'll be no spells at the dinner table.

Friday, March 17 to Saturday, March 18

Destination: The Lyceum's Night Castle

Harry Potter Sleepover

Ages: 9 to 14
Time: 6:00 PM to 11:00 AM
Cost: $145 + GST

This level of awe-inspiring magic is really quite unrivaled in the greater Vancouver area. We'll build pillow walls to rival the fortress of Hogwarts castle, play sleepover guessing and pictionary games, and make untamed brooms (complete with flashlights) for night Quidditch before settling down to watch our favourite Harry Potter movies. This particular sleepover we will be going back to the beginning movies. For students who have the midnight munchies, there'll be jellied worms and chocolate frogs to keep their magic flowing seamlessly through the night. You'll be invited to pick up your witch or wizard after our, now famous, waffle breakfast at 11:00 am the next morning ready for the broom ride home. Don't worry, we'll send you a list to guide you in packing for your kip.

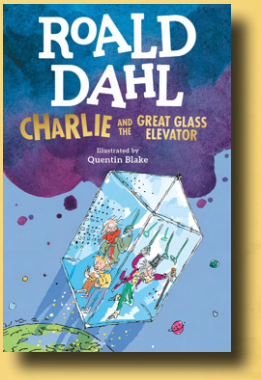
Another option would be to drop your child off with us in the morning (for our full day offering) and then luxuriate in the gift of time, safe in the knowledge that your child is feeding their imagination until the following morning. For this option, there will be a $15 fee for the break between 4:30 and 6:00 pm (please pack some extra snacks).

Monday, March 20

Destination: Space Hotel, USA

Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator

This literary classic travels through time and space, much like the Great Glass Elevator amidst its pages. To round out our Spring Break roster in style, we'll marvel in one of the greats, starting our day with excerpts from one of Roald Dahl's most pivotal pieces. While we listen, each child will be given a sketchpad to get into the swing of Quentin Blake's quick black line drawings before recreating them, with a dash of colour on shrink art paper. The toaster oven will shrink them down (not unlike James and the Giant Peach) to live inside a glass globe which will be mounted on a small wooden base. We will not forget to adorn them with gold foil reminiscent of the elevator that launched Charlie, Willy Wonka and the gang up and out into the ether. Your child is invited to hang this in a room of their choice, serving as a reminder of the limitless possibilities that this life holds.



Tuesday, March 21

Destination: New York City

Spiderman

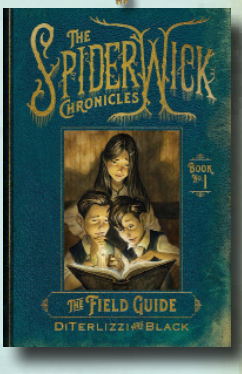
There is an enduring and captivating essence surrounding the superhero realm. The way comic books are able to draw in audiences both young and old, encouraging those who can sometimes be lost in a sea of words, is truly transformative - superhero comics can act as a springboard to appreciating longer stories. At the Lyceum we have always waxed lyrical about valuing all forms of literacy (visual and textual) and in a generation where reading image for meaning has never been more prevalent, we've decided to devote a whole day in celebration of the superhero comic. After spending the first part of the morning pouring over a large comic collection, Christianne will guide the group in creating their own miniature comic books.

We'll take our time, as the devil truly is in the detail, before adding covers, binding and sending them home with the author extraordinaire.

Wednesday, March 22

Destination: Maine

Ellyse's *Spiderwick Chronicles*



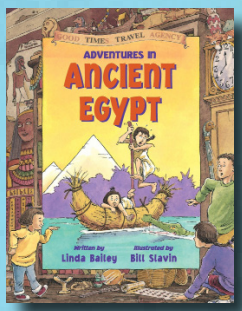
This year our lucky silent auction winner, Ellyse, knew instantaneously what her Spring Break day was going to look like. She imagined the scene of children huddled in a cushion circle, enraptured by passages from *The Spiderwick Chronicles*.

Though these books feel like they've been lost in time, we'll make sure to isolate each child's favourite part of the adventure and immortalize it in print with a font that reflects each individual style. We'll adhere these excerpts onto wooden backings before setting to work on our watercolour sprite figures, hanging them ever so delicately in beautifully built shadow boxes. Of course faerie morsels of sweetness will be served with tiny pots of herbal tea. We hope this sufficiently captures Ellyse's vision, but if you're part of the class, do feel free to ask the creator herself why the world of Spiderwick tickled her fancy.

Thursday, March 23

Destination: The Nile Valley

Adventures in Ancient Egypt



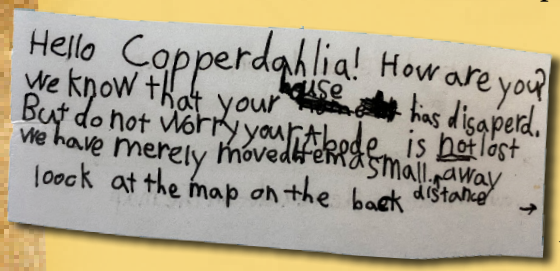
There is so much history yet to be unlocked in this world. The richness and diversity in ancient Egypt permeates aspects of life today that few people are fully aware of. Achievements such as quarrying, surveying and construction that were established as early as 3000 B.C.E. inform modern day systems of irrigation, mathematics and agricultural techniques - acting as a thread through time, connecting us to history. We'll travel virtually through time via Linda Bailey's *Adventures in Ancient Egypt*. In the afternoon we'll create our own canopic jars, containers used during the mummification process to preserve body parts of their owners, ready for the afterlife. Christianne will guide the group, using Sculpey clay as a medium, molding each curve intentionally, and carving hieroglyph inspired patterns that will tell our own story for years to come.

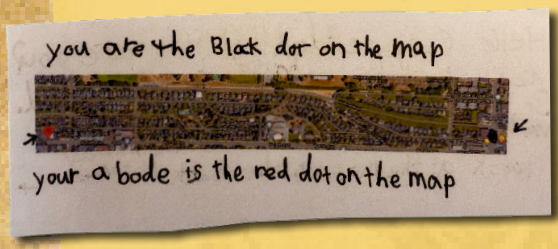
Friday, March 24

Destination: The Lyceum's Laneway Garden

Bringing the Faeries Home

Very few things in life are without imitation (which, of course, they say is the highest form of flattery). Here at the Lyceum however, we think we've stumbled upon one of the most unique secrets in the whole of Metro Vancouver; a clan of faeries that defy the faerie queen, by exchanging stories of their lives through tiny notes. Devotees will know that our resident Faerie population was all 'a flutter' at news of the impending move from Alma to our new location - this diverse group of fae clans have used the garden for over 14 years. Luckily one of our long-time learners crafted tiny curated maps and 25 miniature moonlights (one for each new block west) to light the way, and make sure no sprite, gnome, gargoyle, or faerie was left behind. A symbol of just how far care and compassion can truly reach. A new garden for the fae will act as one of the entrances to the Lyceum and we are confident that in time it will be every bit as special and intricate as the last one.





Over the course of the day, Christianne will read from her rich collection of Faerie lore, while students create tiny faerie abodes to take home, helping expand rest stops for the fae throughout the lower mainland.

VOLUNTEER with us!

Let us know if you would like to volunteer at the Lyceum - it's an unique opportunity within a wonderful community, and we can't do it without our amazing volunteers: high schoolers, university students, parents, community members, and grandparents.

To find out about available opportunities, fill out our applicaton form and email it to lyceum@christiannehayward.com.

Scan to download our registration form →

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