



September 2023

# Among Friends

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

On behalf of the Friends' Executive, we hope this finds you well and hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable Summer. We have been busy with a number of events and activities.

We want to thank one of our Friends who gave us a generous donation which will help provide value added programs and services to the community through the Library. This gift is most appreciated and we thank the donor who wishes to remain anonymous.

In this issue, read about events that occurred over the Summer and some that will occur in the Fall.

We offered Pop Up Book Sales at Covent Garden Market over the spring and summer which were much appreciated. We thank our volunteers and the Market for their support.

We know you will be pleased to see that the very popular program, Jazz for the People, will be offered again with support from Friends. Read about the dates and times inside.

The Fall Book Sale will occur on the weekend of October 20–22, 2023 at Centennial Hall. We hope to see you there. Volunteers will be needed and we welcome you if you wish to volunteer.

The Friends of the Library Book Store at Central Library has a great collection of books and materials at excellent prices. Read more in the newsletter and we hope you will drop in.

My sincere thanks to the Friends' Executive for their continued commitment, to the public library staff for their support, to our volunteers for their help, and to you, our members, for your continued support.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact us.

Voicemail: 519-661-2448

Email: [friends@lpl.ca](mailto:friends@lpl.ca)



Carmen Sprovieri, President

Supporting value-added Library programs



Friends of the  
London Public Library

*Community Support For Your Library*

September 2023

# Among Friends

## UPCOMING DATES FOR JAZZ FOR THE PEOPLE



**2023 CONCERT SERIES**  
**WEDNESDAYS 7:00-8:45PM**  
CENTRAL LIBRARY,  
WOLF PERFORMANCE HALL  
251 DUNDAS ST.

Musical Director: Sandy MacKay, Winner 2011  
Jazz Instrumentalist–Forest City London Music Awards

**August 30th**  
**THE MUSIC MAKERS**  
**W/VOCALIST THERESA WALLIS**

**September 27th**  
**THE MCNALL SETH-TET**

**October 25th**  
**DENISE PELLEY AND**  
**THE NEVIN CAMPBELL QUARTET**

**November 15th**  
**CHARLES RALLO TRIO**

**December 13th**  
**JINGLE JAZZ**



2 hours free validated parking in Citi Plaza during Library hours



Friends of the  
London Public Library

*Community Support For Your Library*

September 2023

# Among Friends

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOOK STORE REPORT

The Friends of the Library Book Store, located on the ground floor in the Central Library, only carries books that are in excellent condition. We always have a unique selection. Recently, we featured a great selection of primary school teacher resource material and a beautiful collection of Art and Photography books.

If you are looking for a gift, we have a Gift Quality section where you will find novels in brand new condition priced at a fraction of what you would pay online or at other bookstores. In addition, there are our long standing sections related to Health and Wellness, Family and Relationships, Cooking, Gardening, Hobbies and Leisure, Entertainment, Biography, History, Travel, and Canadiana. The store recently added sections devoted to Black History, 2SLGBTQ2+, and Indigenous History. Drop in, our inventory changes weekly; you never know what you will find.

## POP UP BOOK SALES

We had a very successful series of Pop Up Book Sales at the Saturday Outdoor Market at the Covent Garden Market, held monthly from April to June and in August and September. We have appreciated all those who came to the sales and, if you missed us this year, we hope to see you next year.

*The Friends of the Library Book Store has a Gift Quality shelf with almost-new books at great prices.*



Supporting value-added Library programs



Friends of the  
London Public Library

*Community Support For Your Library*

September 2023

# Among Friends

## 2023 GIANT FALL BOOK SALE

We've been getting ready for months now. Our annual Fall Book Sale returns to the lower level of Centennial Hall on the weekend of October 20–22, 2023. Once again, we will be offering thousands of items of interest, including recent bestselling fiction and non-fiction books, children's and youth materials, magazines, CDs, DVDs, books on CD, vinyl records and magazines. The sale augments books withdrawn from the library with a wide variety of excellent materials donated to the Friends by the public. We have an outstanding number of kid's books suitable for every age. Proceeds from the sale enhance public library programs.

The sale is open to the public on Friday morning, Oct. 20, at 9:00 a.m. Volunteers and members of the Friends of the London Public Library have an opportunity to view and buy materials on Thursday evening, Oct. 19, from 7:00–9:00 p.m. Sunday will again see our popular Fill-a-Bag sale starting at 10:00 a.m. and running all day until 4:00 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday some free parking will be available in the Centennial Hall parking lot adjacent to the lower level entrance. We hope to see you there!

## VOLUNTEERS FOR 2023 FALL BOOK SALE

Each year we need more than 150 volunteers to help us with the annual book sale. As in the past, we will be using the SignUp.com app where volunteers can sign up and pick their shift. We are in the process of setting up the information within the app. Instructions on how to volunteer and access the Friends 2023 Book Sale via SignUp will be sent under separate cover by mid September.

2023

# Giant Fall Book Sale

**Friday, Oct. 20 - 9am-9pm**

**Saturday, Oct. 21 - 9am-5pm**

**Sunday, Oct. 22 - 10am-4pm**

**Centennial Hall**

**550 Wellington St., Lower Level**

**Cash/ Credit/ Debit**

