

LOCAL AUTHORS Showcase 2025-26



Local Authors Showcase 2025–26 Guidelines

General Rules

- The author, co-author, and/or illustrator must currently reside in Brampton, Caledon, or Mississauga and have a valid Brampton Library card.
- Authors are invited to submit up to three titles for consideration.
- All submissions must meet the selection criteria as outlined in Brampton Library's Collection Management Policy.
- All submissions must have been published between January 1, 2020, and March 31, 2025.
- Adult, teen, and children's titles of all genres and languages are eligible for submission. Please complete the 2025–26 Local Authors Showcase Application in English.
- Content of submitted works should not contravene Canadian legislation.
 Acceptance of a submission does not constitute an endorsement of its content by the Brampton Public Library Board.
- Both print and e-book formats are accepted. The same title submitted in print and/or e-book format(s) will be considered as one entry. Audiobooks, DVDs, and e-audiobooks are not eligible for submission.
- A 13-digit ISBN is required for all print submissions. A valid eISBN is recommended but not mandatory for e-book submissions.
- Once approved, Brampton Library will request a copy of the print book and/or e-book within 14 days.
- Durable binding is required for print submissions. A PDF or EPUB is acceptable for e-books.
- Both print and e-book submissions will be considered as a donation free of charge to Brampton Library. Additional copies will be purchased directly through the library's vendors by demand.

- Titles added to the Local Authors Showcase collection become the property of Brampton Library and will not be returned.
- Titles selected for the Local Authors Showcase will be on display for 12 months during the showcase session. Library staff reserves the right to decide when a title will be removed or withdrawn.
- Details about the authors and their books will be featured on Brampton Library's website for 12 months.
- Brampton Library bears no obligation for any further marketing of showcase submissions.
- Titles selected in the current 2024–25 Local Authors Showcase or previous sessions are not eligible for inclusion.

Frequently Asked Questions

When does Brampton Library accept submissions for the 2025–26 Local Authors Showcase?

2025–26 Local Authors Showcase submissions will be accepted from June 10, 2024 until March 31, 2025.

What if I missed the submission deadline?

Showcase applications are accepted throughout the year. If applicants miss the March 31, 2025 deadline, their submissions will be evaluated for the 2026–27 Local Authors Showcase.

How do I submit my work to the Local Authors Showcase?

Authors can submit their applications online through a Google Form.

Please contact <u>Brampton Library</u> or email <u>Acquisitions (acquisitions@bramlib.on.ca</u>) if further support is required.

What happens after I submit my application online?

Applicants will receive an auto-generated confirmation email when their submissions are received. Applications are processed within two weeks, after which time Brampton Library Acquisitions staff will email applicants with their decision.

When will the 2025–26 Showcase collection be unveiled to the community? The 2025–26 Local Authors Showcase collection will be unveiled in mid-June 2025. Applicants will receive emailed invitations from Acquisitions as the time approaches.

How will Brampton Library promote the 2025–26 Local Authors Showcase collection?

Each title is featured on Brampton Library's online catalogue for 12 months. Print books will be on display at Gore Meadows Branch and e-books can be found on our e-book platform, <u>cloudLibrary</u>, during this period. Authors' profiles will be posted on our <u>Local Authors Showcase</u> web page for 12 months.

How do I get a Brampton Library card?

Brampton Library membership is free to all residents of Ontario. If you do not have a Brampton Library card, please visit any location with the required documentation. Find more details on the Brampton Library website under the "Your Account" tab and select "Get a card."

How do I contact Brampton Library for technical assistance or further support? Please contact Brampton Library through our website or email our Acquisitions team at acquisitions@bramlib.on.ca if further support is required.