

# LIBRARY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

FEBRUARY - JUNE 2026

Free activities for adults.



LIBRARIES  
FOR PEOPLE.

CITY OF DARWIN  
**LIBRARIES**



# WELCOME

## Unlock a world of benefits with your library membership!

City of Darwin Libraries are located in Darwin City, Karama, Nightcliff and Casuarina. You can borrow and return books and items to any of these locations. There is a 24/7 return chute at each library for your convenience.

Your membership gives you access to more than 100,000 items that you can borrow. We have books, magazines, graphic novels, large print, DVDs and audiobooks.

### **Membership is free.**

There are lots of fun things to borrow or use in the library, like robots, computer games, STEAM Zone kits, sewing machines and 3D printers.

We also have our Digital Library where you can borrow eBooks, digital audiobooks and digital magazines. You can download these items to your computer or smart device at anytime, from anywhere you have internet access.

## Memberships

### **Full Member**

Full Membership gives you access to all our collections, including the ability to borrow both physical and online items.

If the person is under 16, a parent or guardian will need to sign them up.

### **Digital Member**

NT residents can sign up online for access to eBooks, eAudiobooks, movies and digital magazines. Membership details will be emailed within three business days. Visit any branch to upgrade your membership for full access.

If the person is under 16, a parent or guardian will need to sign them up.

### **Lite Member**

Lite Membership is for visitors or NT residents without photo ID or proof of residency. It lasts 12 months, with access to online resources and borrowing up to three items.

Join at any library with ID, such as a bank card or Medicare card.



## Borrowing

You can borrow:

- unlimited amount of physical items
- 15 Libby eBooks/digital audiobooks
- eight BorrowBox eBooks and eight BorrowBox digital eAudiobooks.

Plus unlimited access to all other digital library resources such as digital magazines.

**Books/DVDs** - four weeks

**Libby items** - three weeks

**BorrowBox items** - two weeks

**MOST WANTED/Magazines** - two weeks

## Automatic renewals

Items can be renewed once for two weeks. We will automatically renew items on the due date if they haven't been returned, provided the item has not been requested by another customer. Note this service does not apply to our digital library items or the MOST WANTED collection.

## Click and collect

Save time and use our online catalogue to find and order the items you want. Choose which library to collect from and we will contact you when your items are ready.

# LIBRARY LOUNGE

## Looking to try something new or connect with others?

Join us each month for light refreshments, enjoy a fun activity or hear from an engaging guest speaker.

Whether you're discovering a new interest or just want to meet great people, Library Lounge is the place to be!

### Third Tuesday of the month

10:00am - 12:00 pm

Casuarina Library

This program is for ages 18+.



## KNOW YOUR RIGHTS & SPOT SCAMS

**Tuesday 17 February 2026**

Got questions about your rights?

Whether you're a tenant, landlord, or just curious about consumer rights, join us and NT Consumer Affairs for an informative session. Learn how to spot scams, get practical tips, and understand your rights.

Bookings required.



## CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY WORKSHOP

**Tuesday 17 March 2026**

Discover the beauty of this ancient art in just 2 hours! Watch an inspiring intro video, learn about the "Four Treasures," explore three classic styles, and practice writing characters like “山” (mountain) and “水” (water). No experience needed, just bring your curiosity!

Bookings required.

## WILDCARE

**Tuesday 21 April 2026**

Wildcare will show they care for sick, injured and orphaned animals and release them back into their natural habitats. Meet some of the wildlife being cared for.

Bookings required.



## NATIVE BEES WITH BARRY CONDE

**Tuesday 19 May 2026**

Join Barry Conde, a renowned Darwin meliponist, as he shares expert insights on native stingless bees. Discover our two 'sugarbag' species, learn about hive boxes and explore how to catch and manage colonies.

Bookings required.



## SMALL STEPS TO STRONGER LIVING

**Tuesday 16 June 2026**

Join Sharon for a gentle movement session for adults and seniors. Learn simple seated and standing exercises to build strength, improve balance, and boost confidence. Take home an easy plan you can use anywhere. No equipment needed. All abilities welcome.

Bookings required.



Visit [darwin.nt.gov.au/library-lounge](https://darwin.nt.gov.au/library-lounge) for more information and how to book.



# JOB HELP SESSIONS

**The Job Help sessions provide hands-on assistance with your job search.**

Whether you're looking for your first job, or preparing for your next role, this program will help you build practical skills and confidence.

Join us for a free two-part job skills workshop to help you get job ready.

You'll learn:

- where to find local jobs
- how to create a standout resume
- how to write a cover letter that gets noticed
- practical interview tips and roleplay practice
- strategies to boost your confidence during the hiring process.

Requirements:

- Draft Resume & Cover Letter (Digital copy)
- Laptop (You can borrow a laptop with your library card)



## Program 1

### SESSION 1 - JOB SEARCHING AND RESUME WRITING

**2:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Thursday 19 March 2026**  
**Casuarina Library**

### SESSION 2 - COVER LETTERS AND INTERVIEW SKILLS

**2:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Thursday 26 March 2026**  
**Casuarina Library**

## Program 2

### SESSION 1 - JOB SEARCHING AND RESUME WRITING

**10:00 am - 12:00 pm - Wednesday 17 June 2026**  
**Casuarina Library**

### SESSION 2 - COVER LETTERS AND INTERVIEW SKILLS

**10:00 - 12:00 pm - Wednesday 24 June 2026**  
**Casuarina Library**

# AUTHOR TALK

## ILONKA GUSE (TUESDAY 17 MARCH 2026)

**6:00 pm (doors open 5:45 pm) - Casuarina Library**

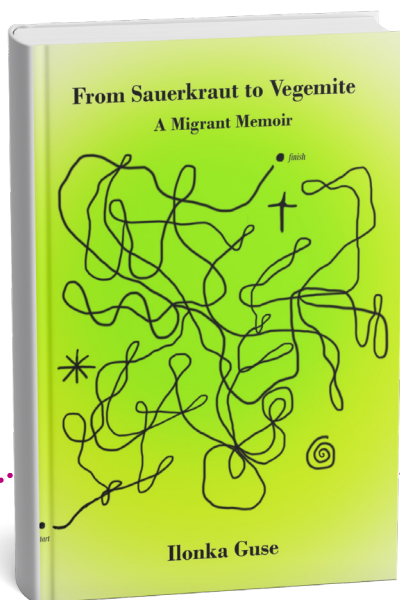
Come and hear Ilonka's Story: From Sauerkraut to Vegemite.

Join us as Ilonka shares her journey of moving to Australia and settling into a new culture. Her memoir is full of funny language mix-ups, cultural surprises and lively conversations about life in "The Lucky Country".

It's a warm and honest story about finding your place in a new world, told with humour and heart.

Don't miss this chance to hear Ilonka's story of life between sauerkraut and vegemite.

Bookings required. Light refreshments provided.



# MONSOON CINEMA

## Looking for a cozy way to spend your evening?

Join us at the library for our free monthly film nights, where you can relax, enjoy a great movie and connect with fellow film lovers in a welcoming and inviting setting.

We screen a carefully selected film that's sure to entertain, inspire, or spark conversation. Whether you're a cinema enthusiast or just looking for a laid-back night out, our film nights offer something for everyone.

### First Thursday of each month

**5:45 pm for a 6:00 pm screening**

**Nightcliff Library**

Visit [darwin.nt.gov.au/monsoon-cinema](https://darwin.nt.gov.au/monsoon-cinema) for more information.



### **TINA (2024)**

**Thursday 5 February 2026**

After a tragic loss, a Samoan mother takes on a substitute teacher role at an elite Christchurch school and discovers students yearning for guidance and love.

Source: Kanopy



### **I'M STILL HERE (2024)**

**Thursday 5 March 2026**

During the military dictatorship of Brazil in the 1970s a woman is forced to reinvent herself and her family after a violent and arbitrary act.

Source: Amalgamated Movies



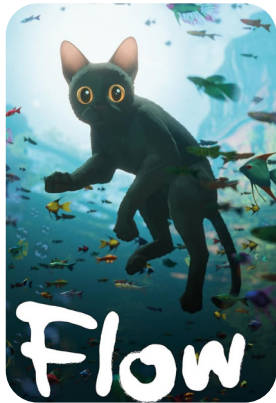


## MEMOIR OF A SNAIL (2024)

**Thursday 2 April 2026**

A bittersweet memoir of a melancholic woman called Grace Pudel - a hoarder of snails, romance novels, and guinea pigs.

Source: Kanopy



## FLOW (2024)

**Thursday 7 May 2026**

Flow is a mesmerizing, dialogue-free journey where a solitary cat drifts through a flooded world, finding unexpected companionship along the way.

Source: Kanopy



## A NICE INDIAN BOY (2025)

**Thursday 4 June 2026**

When Naveen brings his fiancé Jay home to meet his traditional Indian family, they must contend with accepting his white-orphan-artist boyfriend and helping them plan the Indian wedding of their dreams.

Source: Roadshow

No bookings required. For ages 18+ only.  
All screenings are closed caption.



# TEA AND TECH

## Discover tech in a relaxed setting!

Join us for an easy-going program designed to help you explore technology in a welcoming, friendly environment. Each session includes light refreshments, fun activities, and even prizes to be won!

Come along every month, enjoy great company, learn something new, and make technology feel simple and enjoyable.

Call City Library on 8930 0200 for more information and how to book.



## BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE (BYOD)

**10:00 am - 11:30 am - Casuarina Library**  
**Friday 27 February 2026**

Bring your phone or tablet and we'll help you learn how to use it, understand the basics, and sort out simple issues.

Bookings required.



## DATA PROTECTION

**10:00 am - 11:30 am - Casuarina Library**  
**Friday 27 March 2026**

Learn how to protect your information online. We'll explain common scams and simple steps you can take to stay safe.

Bookings required.

## ALL ABOUT APPS

**10:00 am - 11:30 am - Casuarina Library**  
**Friday 24 April 2026**

Discover practical and enjoyable ways that apps can support your daily life.

Bookings required.



## ACCESSING EBOOKS AND EAUDIOBOOKS

**10:00 am - 11:30 am - Casuarina Library**  
**Friday 29 May 2026**

Did you know that you have free access to eBooks and eAudiobooks with your library card?

Join us at this program to learn how access this free service.

Bookings required.



## STREAMING TV AND MOVIES

**10:00 am - 11:30 am - Casuarina Library**  
**Friday 26 June 2026**

Join us for a program that will show you how to access TV and Movie streaming services on your smart devices such as Kanopy which is free to City of Darwin library members.

Bookings required.



# BOOKS ON WHEELS

## A home delivery library service for customers!

This FREE service is available for anyone unable to visit the library in person for a prolonged period of time as a result of health, mobility or other issues. This includes full-time carers of dependants, or those recovering from injury or illness.

A library staff member will select books based on your preferences, or you can request specific items via our online library catalogue or contacting us.

These items will be delivered straight to your door by our friendly volunteers.

For more information about this service and eligibility requirements, please talk to a staff member or visit: [darwin.nt.gov.au/libraries/services](https://darwin.nt.gov.au/libraries/services)





# ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRAINING

## Are you learning English as another language?

City of Darwin Libraries provides an online English language learning program called Road to International English Language Testing System (IELTS) free to library members.

Road to IELTS will assist you to improve your English reading, writing, listening and speaking skills. It can also prepare you to take the IELTS test.

You can work your way through from easy levels to more advance activities. There are more than 120 hours of free online self-study materials to support general training and academic test preparations.

Not a library member? Join online at **[darwin.nt.gov.au/libraries](http://darwin.nt.gov.au/libraries)** or visit one of our libraries.



# COMMUNITY WELLBEING

## COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND ADVICE HUB

**9:30 am - 11:00 am - Casuarina Library Mondays fortnightly  
from 9 February 2026, no session on 6 April & 4 May 2026 (public holiday)  
Free drop-in sessions.**

Visit the library to chat with a case worker or advocate about housing, legal, health etc.

## COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND ADVICE HUB

**10:00 am - 11:30 am - Karama Library last Friday of the month  
from February 2026  
Free drop-in sessions.**

Visit the library to chat with a case worker or advocate about housing advice, Centrelink payments, financial planning, etc.

## COMMUNITY WELLBEING OFFICER ON DUTY

**10:00 am - 11:30 am - Casuarina Library every Tuesday**

Need support and assistance? Receive housing, community resources or social services, guidance on overcoming challenges. Talk with our Community Wellbeing Officer for more information and referrals to services.





# THINGS TO BORROW

## What you can borrow

You can borrow as many physical items as you like from our extensive collection, including:

- Books – from bestsellers to classics and everything in between
- DVDs – a great selection of movies and TV series
- Audiobooks – perfect for listening on the go
- Magazines – covering a range of topics and interests
- Dressmakers dummy, sewing machine, overlocker (to use at Casuarina Library).

## Digital library

Explore a world of online resources, including eBooks, digital magazines, IELTS training, and more – available anytime, anywhere!

Here are some eresources your library membership can access:

- Libby - choose from thousands of eBooks and eAudiobooks and magazines
- Kanopy - stream feature films, documentaries, world cinema and TV series
- BorrowBox - a great selection of eBooks and eAudiobooks
- Digital Newspapers (onsite access) - enjoy complete newspaper editions
- Press Reader
- Road to International English Language Testing System - IELTS (General & Academic) Learn English - practice english speaking, writing and listening
- Be Connected - find free online courses and resources
- EBSCO Host - search magazine, journal and newspaper articles
- Territory Stories - search digital and published collections about the NT.



# DIGITAL AND TECHNOLOGY

## Technology devices

City of Darwin Libraries provide free, unlimited wifi for all visitors. Computer, laptop and tablet devices are available to use within the libraries, with a library card.

Printing and scanning facilities are available, a fee applies for printing, scanning is free.

## Tech help sessions

We provide assistance as needed for simple questions on technology, or you can make an appointment for a more comprehensive session.

We can assist with:

- learning how to use a computer
- creating and using an email account
- using the libraries online collections like eBooks and digital magazines.

Visit our website for information on technology and computer workshops.



# CHILDREN AND YOUTH PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Enjoy a variety of activities at the Libraries all year such as:

- Children's Story Time
- Fun Bus
- Fun in the Parks
- STEAM programs
- Young Territory Author Awards (YTAA)
- GEEK Up
- Gaming After Dark

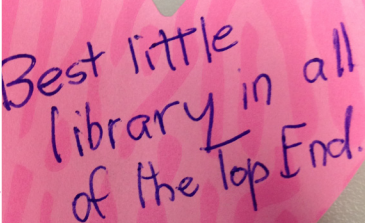
## LIBRARY LOVERS' DAY

### **Celebrate Library Lovers' Day!**

Show your love for libraries this 14 February! Library Lovers' Day is all about celebrating the joy of reading, the magic of stories and the wonderful spaces that bring communities together.

Drop by the library and explore everything we have to offer - books, eResources, programs and more. Whether you're discovering a new favorite author, joining an event, or simply enjoying a quiet moment among the shelves, there's something for everyone.

Why not share the love? Borrow a book, write a note about why you love your library, or snap a photo and tag us on social media. Let's make this day a celebration of connection, creativity and community!



Best little  
library in all  
of the Top End.

# DIGITAL LIBRARY

As a library member, you get free access to online books, magazines, movies, training tools and more. All you need is your library card number and password.

## Reading and Listening



### LIBBY

#### **eBooks, eMagazines and eAudio books**

Choose from thousands of eBooks and eAudiobooks and magazines. Libby has more than 3000 magazine titles in more than 15 languages.



### BORROWBOX

#### **eBooks and eAudiobooks**

Great selection of audiobooks, including lots of Australian titles.

## Watching



### KANOPY

#### **Movies and documentaries**

Stream films, documentaries, world cinema, TV series and more.

## Newspapers



### PRESS READER

#### **Digital edition newspaper**

Read NT News, The Australian, The Age, Sydney Morning Herald and more hundreds of newspapers and magazines from Australia and around the world, available in multiple languages.

# Learning and Research



## Be Connected

Every Australian online.



**EBSCO**host

**TERRITORY STORIES**

## ROAD TO IELTS

### (General & Academic) learn english

Over 120 hours of free online self-study.

For both General and Academic IELTS test prep.

## BE CONNECTED

### Learn new digital skills

Find free online courses and resources on everything from how to use your smartphone or tablet to cyber safety tips.

## EBSCO HOST

### Research database

Search magazines, journals and newspapers.

Great for study or professional use.

## TERRITORY STORIES

### Local content

Explore photos, articles, and history from the NT.

Search archives, maps, newspapers and more.



# Locations and opening hours

## Darwin City Library

Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin City

08 8930 0230

Monday to Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Karama Library

Karama Shopping Centre, Karama

08 8930 0250

Monday to Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Nightcliff Library

Pavonia Place, Nightcliff

08 8930 0480

Monday to Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Casuarina Library

17 Bradshaw Terrace, Casuarina

08 8930 0200

Monday to Friday 9:00 am - 5:45 pm

Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sunday 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

## STAY CONNECTED

Programs and Services are subject to change, keep up to date with Library news by visiting our website, following us on socials, subscribing to the monthly newsletter or popping into your local library.



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