

CEO Update

February 15th, 2023



Oakville
Public
Library



Sixteen Mile Construction Project

Project Name	North Park
Status	GREEN
Strategic Pillar	Enriching lives and building healthy communities
Budget	On Budget
Completion Date	Q2 2025
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Delay related to steel• Project timeline will be re-examined once the schedule for the structural steel is known.• Construction team feels confident that time lost could be made up in other areas.



Parks, Recreation and Libraries Facilities Master Plan

Project Name	North Park
Status	YELLOW
Strategic Pillar	Enriching lives and building healthy communities
Budget	On Budget
Completion Date	Q3 2024
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Draft report being reviewed with Town Executive leadership and steering committee• Scheduling workshops with OPL Board and Council in March/April to review.• Following the workshops, report will go out for public feedback.



New Central Design Project

Project Name	North Park
Status	GREEN
Strategic Pillar	Enriching lives and building healthy communities
Budget	On Budget
Completion Date	
Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preparing RFP for detailed design and community consultation (including staff, Board and Council).• Anticipating onboarding the successful firm in Q2.• Working on creating a dedicated website which will provide the ability sign-up for update emails related to the project.



OLA Superconference – Trustee Bootcamp

OPL Board member Avis Maher attended the OLA Trustee Bootcamp on Saturday which included sessions such as:

- What keeps you up at night? – A library board member's perspective
- Defend your Library – Why Library Boards need to get loud
- Working with your municipality



GET LOUD

OLA SUPER CONFERENCE JAN 24-27, 2024

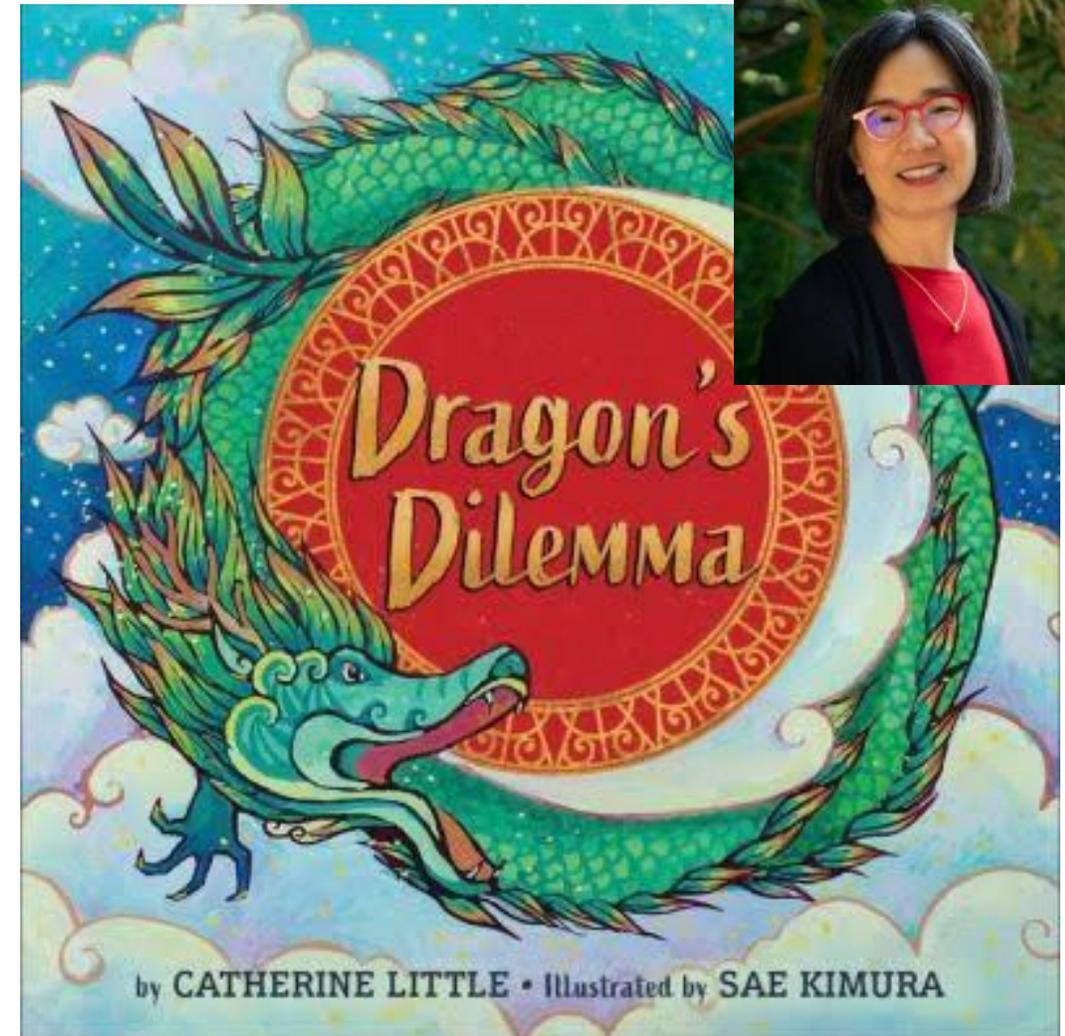
2024 Seed Library

- **OPL's Seed Library launched at all 7 branches on March 4th**
- The OPL Seed Library provides customers with the opportunity to grow their own plants, harvest their own food, and participate in a community-wide sharing initiative.
- The communal Seed Library offers a wide selection of herb and vegetable seeds, as well as a small selection of flower seeds.
- Customers are encouraged to plant the seeds in their personal gardens, nurture the plants as they grow, and, once mature, harvest the seeds to return to the library.
- The simple cycle of borrowing, growing, harvesting, and returning seeds promotes a culture of sharing within our community and provides hands-on experiences that allow customers to better understand agriculture and sustainability.



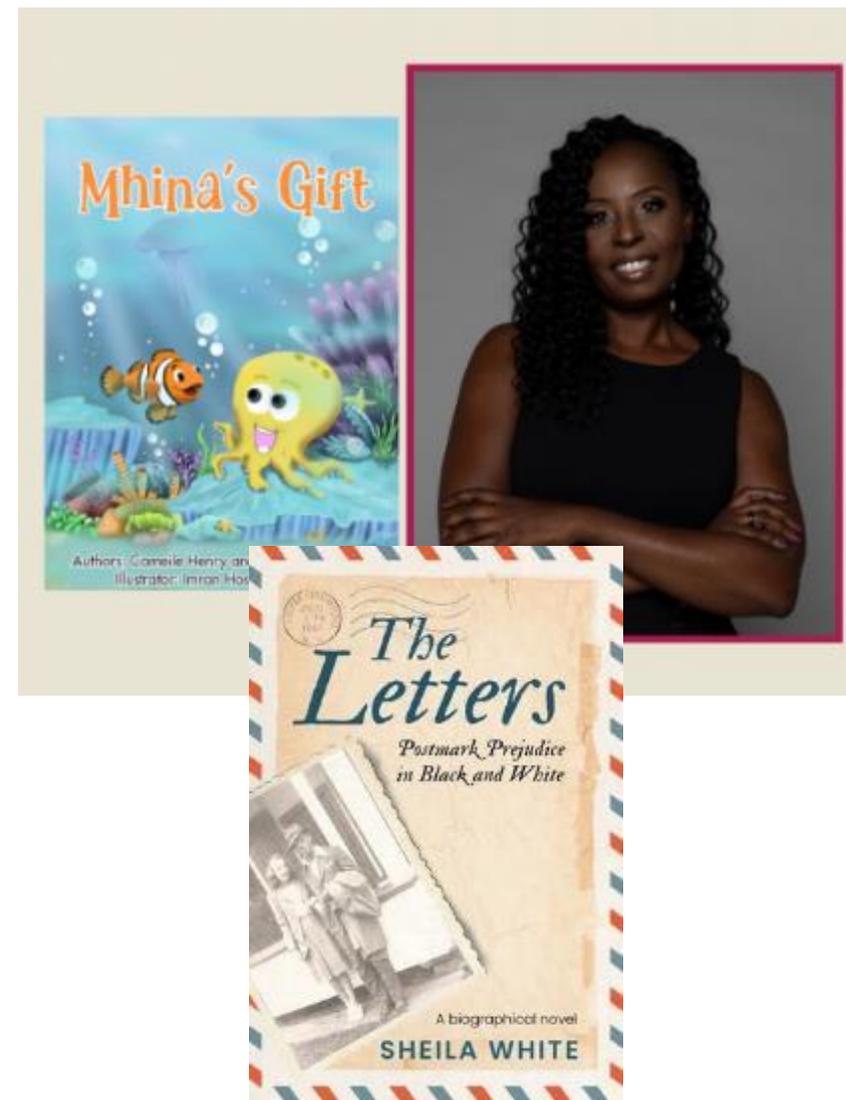
Community Led Programing

- OPL continues to celebrate culture activities through our Community Led philosophy and programing
- For Lunar New Year, OPL invited Catherine Little into OPL to present at one of our the “**Literary Creations**” programs
- **Literary Creations** was available at multiple branches from Feb 8-10th



Black History Month

- For Black History month, OPL has partnered with CCAH, Oakville Museum, and local authors to bring a ton of programming to life.
- These include:
 - **February 16:** [Black History Explorers - In Partnership with Oakville Museums and CCAH](#)
 - **February 17:** [Author Event with Sheila White - The Letters: Postmark Prejudice in Black and White](#)
 - **February 20:** [Exploring Identity, Love, and Being Black in America in Fiction Writing: A Conversation with Award-Winning Author Jason Mott](#)
 - **March 9:** [Black History Explorers - In Partnership with Oakville Museums and CCAH](#)



Family Day

- Iroquois Ridge & Glen Abby are open for Family day from 9-5.
- Family day marks one of our busiest days of the year for both branches
- A variety of drop-in programming for the whole family is offered throughout the day.

