



We are searching for a
Maker Lab Coordinator
Permanent, Full-time
35 hours per week
St. Thomas Public Library
St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada

Our Library

St. Thomas Public Library is a fearlessly creative organization that is determined to surprise our community with new and interesting collections, programs, and services. We belong to the residents of St. Thomas and community connection is at the core of all that we do. We aim not only to be a resource to those seeking to consume information, but to be a host to those looking to create and share their own ideas and expressions. We benefit by having the support of a forward-thinking Library Board and we are well positioned as a close partner within the broader strategic vision of the City of St. Thomas.

Our Staff

Our team makes it happen. Whether it is community events, genealogical research, 3D printing replacement parts for a dishwasher, or anything in between, we've got someone on hand that is up for the task! We are proud of the work that we do and we celebrate our successes while learning and growing from our failures. Each of us brings our unique passions and interests to the table, which means that there is never a dull moment. We love us and you will too!

Our Ideal Candidate

We are primarily looking for three major attributes:

1. **Natural Communicator** – You love working with people, and they often tell you that you are excellent at explaining complex ideas in a way that they can finally understand. Your ability to frame things differently gives people those “ah-ha!” moments on the regular.
2. **Technically Skilled** – Your formal education didn't stop when you received your degree. Instead, that was just the beginning. You continue to take every opportunity you can find to develop new skills and learn new ways of making and doing. Life-long learning is your passion!
3. **Fearlessly Creative** – You would much rather create content than consume it. You'd rather fix something than replace it. You love creating your own approach and you solve problems in ways that combines your technical training and your ability to learn on the fly. You mix your love for the arts with your technical background in such a way that produces wonder and delight in the people that interact with your creations.

Education

We are looking for someone with an undergraduate degree from a recognized university with an area of focus in art, design, technology, or a related field.

Experience

- At least three years of relevant experience in public service,
- Demonstrated experience teaching or leading group programs.
- Demonstrated experience with projects related to computer programming, website content management systems (CMS), and coding languages (e.g., PHP, C#, MySQL).
- Knowledge of current library technology and adaptability to its frequent change. A comprehensive knowledge and interest in creative technologies, current events and services available in libraries.

A Typical Day

On any given day you will likely find yourself involved in...

- One-on-one interactions with the public in our Library's Maker Lab, showing them how to use the space and inspiring them to develop their own creative ideas.
- Inspiring wonder by working on your own interactive projects in the maker lab and inviting the public to participate and ask questions.
- Developing and leading programs for all ages on various maker-related topics, but with a particular focus on practical applications of code.
- Assisting with the development of the vision and goals of the Maker Lab and helping Library staff to understand and implement the strategies required to see it all happen.
- Behind the scenes work, along with our website team, redesigning and updating things to better reflect the needs of the organization.

... and much more!

Interested?

Please submit your resume and cover letter by **August 12th** to the following confidential e-mail address: jobs@stthomaspubliclibrary.ca. Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Salary Range: \$26.22 - \$32.77 (January 1, 2022)

The St Thomas Public Library is an equal opportunity employer. We are committed to developing inclusive, barrier-free selection processes and work environments. If contacted in relation to a job opportunity, you should advise us in a timely fashion of the accommodation measures which you feel you need to enable to you be assessed in a fair and equitable manner. Information received relating to accommodation measures will be addressed confidentially.