

# NEW COLLECTION



Donor Impact Report

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**As a collective of civically engaged, ambitious and creative young Torontonians, being a New Collection member is a powerful endorsement of the Library's important work.**

New Collection members support the highest priority needs of Toronto Public Library – priorities that are not possible with government funding alone. Recent priority funding needs have included: **Storytime Outreach, Youth Hubs and Business Inc.**, as well as innovative spaces like the **Digital Innovation Hubs**.

## Young Voices

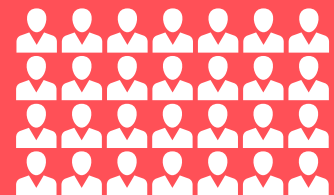


One program that thrives because of your commitment to New Collection and Toronto Public Library is Young Voices. In 2015, 20% of funds raised through New Collection were dedicated to this unique program.

Reaching over 1,000 youth in 2015, the program published the annual *Young Voices* magazine of teen writing and art, which received 543 submissions; the annual writer's conference with 145 attendees; art and writing workshops throughout the year with 271 attendees; and a Electronic Writer in Residence.

All aspects of Young Voices allow youth to connect with adult experts in the arts and with their peers and learn about potential career paths. With your support, Young Voices provides Toronto's young people – from all walks of life – with experiences that build their artistic skills, deepen their character, and change their lives for the better.

### Did you know?



76% of Torontonians use TPL



32 million items borrowed



18 million visits to branches



## **100 Ways to Build a Library: an interactive tour**

*Wednesday, February 17th, 6:30 p.m.*

*Toronto Reference Library, Novella Room*

Join the architects of TPL's 100th branch, LGA Architectural Partners, as they show you how to 'read a building'. Highlighting how library design has evolved with societal shifts and changing ideas, this tour will reveal that there's a lot more to the design of bricks and bookshelves than first meets the eye.

Food and beverage will be provided at this event. RSVP now.

## **Ben Rawlence: A look at the world's largest refugee camp**

*Wednesday, April 8, 6:30 p.m.*

*Location details to follow*

Many see the Dadaab refugee camp in Kenya as a humanitarian crisis. But to its residents, it's their last resort. In his book, *City of Thorns*, Rawlence weaves the stories of nine people, showing what life is like in the camp. Join us as we discuss the urgent human story of Dadaab and its global repercussions.

Food and beverage will be provided at this event. RSVP now.

## **Mark Schatzker & *The Dorito Effect***

*June, 2016*

*Location details to follow*

Obesity, heart disease and diabetes – have we gotten it all wrong? Join us as Schatzker, author of *The Dorito Effect*, guides us through the missing piece of the food puzzle: flavour. Our yummy discussion will be paired with food courses... the 'better tasting food' we all desire.

Food and beverage will be provided at this event.