

The NVDPL Quarterly

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Inspiring stories from this quarter at NVDPL.

Inspiring Story: North Shore Reads

Initiated by NVDPL staff member Sara Oremland, the first ever North Shore Reads event was brought to life in collaboration with North Vancouver City Library and West Vancouver Memorial Library. Following the “One City, One Book” model, the event brought together 418 from the North Shore and beyond for a special evening with Dr. Suzanne Simard, Shelagh Rogers, and Tsitsayxemaat Rebecca Duncan.

This year’s featured book was *Finding the Mother Tree* by UBC researcher Dr. Suzanne Simard. The book is an illuminating look into the mysterious and inspiring world of trees, paired with personal and heartfelt inclusions about Dr. Simard’s own life. Many local residents care deeply about nature, forests, environmental issues and climate change, making the book a natural choice for the inaugural event.

Here is one comment we received from an attendee:

“Thanks so much for this event! I was inspired to go to the nearest forest and just breathe. The Indigenous welcome was perfect and really brought home the wisdom of our hosts and caretakers. The normal tension between reason and passion was perfectly resolved by Dr. Simard. Her love of the natural world blended with her scientific approach was an absolute pleasure to listen to.”



Inspiring Story: Hello Readers Podcast

NVDPL Youth Services staff member Celeste Musseau developed an introduction to podcasting program with five local youth. The delightful series of podcasts had kids sharing all kinds of life and literacy books. They shared favourite literature characters, literacy tips for kids by kids, the best kind of weather, and more!

The series is published on the Library’s YouTube page.

[Check out some of these gems.](#)

