

Book launch set

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Sharing stories: Po-Yi Lau with the book Growing from the Roots.

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Volunteer Grandparents is hosting a book launch at McGill library branch on July 24.

The book, Growing from the Roots, features stories and experiences of those involved in Volunteer Grandparents, both young and old.

The Burnaby organization, which started in 1973, is focused on bridging the generation gap.

It's a bit like Big Sisters, only they match the elderly with kids who need an older mentor because their grandparents aren't around.

The group also sends volunteers into schools to read to the kids and help teachers. The volunteers get more connected to their communities, and the kids get knowledge from a generation they may be connected to.

The book will not be on sale at the launch, but anyone who wants a copy can contact Volunteer Grandparents. The suggested minimum donation for a copy is \$15.

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