Getting Started with Flipster Magazines

Flipster provides access to current issues of popular magazines to read on your computer, tablet or smartphone.

What you need

- A valid Toronto Public Library card
- A computer, tablet or smartphone with an internet connection for reading online.
- For mobile devices, the **Flipster-Digital Magazines** app for <u>iOS</u> or <u>Android</u> is required for downloading magazines to read offline.

Using Flipster on a computer

- 1. Go to <u>tpl.ca/flipster</u> and click on the **Access Online** button.
- 2. Enter your library card number and PIN and select **Sign In** then **Continue**.
- 3. Search for magazines by title, browse by Category or scroll through the list of Latest Issues. When you find a magazine that you want to read, click on the cover to open the detail page for that magazine.
- 4. Select **Read now** to open the current issue. To read a previous issue of this magazine, locate the issue under All Issues and select the cover to open.
- 5. With a magazine issue open in the viewer, use the arrows at the bottom of the screen to navigate. Zoom and full screen controls are also available on this toolbar.
- 6. More features are available in the toolbar in the upper right hand corner. Hover your mouse pointer over each tool to display the name.
 - When available, click on Text View to read an article without images.
 - Click on Print to print the current page(s). Print permissions are set by the publisher.
 - Click on All Issues to access previous issues of this magazine.
 - Click on Table of Contents or Pages to view all the sections or pages of the magazine
 - Click on the magnifying glass icon to search this magazines issue, or all issues of this title, by keyword.
 - Use Settings to change how the magazine is displayed on your screen.

Using Flipster on a phone or tablet

- 1. Download and install the free **Flipster-Digital Magazines** app for your <u>iOS</u> or <u>Android</u> device.
- 2. Open the app and select **Get Started**.
- 3. Search for Toronto and select Toronto Public Library, Toronto, Ontario. Enter your library card number and click on **Login**.
- 4. In the Explore section of the app, browse the list of magazines available, search for a specific title, or choose from the list of Categories.
- 5. When you find a magazine that you want to read, tap on the cover to open the detail page. Previous issues are listed below the current issue. To read a previous issue, tap on the download icon to the right of the date for that issue.
- 6. Select **Download** to save the current issue to your device, then tap on the **Read** button to open the issue. After downloading, the issue will be available in the **My Shelf** section of the app. If there is a limit to the borrowing period, the amount of time left will appear below the cover of the magazine.
- 7. Swipe left or right to flip through pages.
 - Tap the Table of Contents tool in the upper right hand corner to see the table to content with links to every article.
 - When available, the Text View tool will appear to the left of the Table of Contents.

Deleting a downloaded magazine

Expired magazines need to be deleted from the Flipster app.

- 1. Tap on the trash icon to the right of the date of the issue.
- 2. Select **Delete** to confirm.

Help with Flipster

• Visit your local branch or contact us at 416-397-5981 or tpl.ca/contact.