



# Heritage Happenings Patrimoine à vos portes

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## Ongoing Exhibits and Activities / Activités et expositions permanentes

### Currently on display / À l'affiche



#### *Our Neighbourhoods, Our Community*

Nepean is a vibrant community just west of Ottawa, which has encompassed as many as 60 neighbourhoods and smaller villages at various points in its history. Each of these communities have their own unique history and identity. Our Neighbourhoods, Our Community features the stories and photographs of some of these neighbourhoods and celebrates the unique identity of each neighbourhood and the people who lived there.

Contact [reception@nepeanmuseum.ca](mailto:reception@nepeanmuseum.ca) or  
613-723-7936, 16 Rowley Ave, Nepean ON  
[www.nepeanmuseum.ca](http://www.nepeanmuseum.ca)

#### *Nos voisinages, notre collectivité*

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7936, 16, ave Rowley, Nepean ON  
[www.nepeanmuseum.ca](http://www.nepeanmuseum.ca)

### On display until May 14

#### *Treasures from the Attic*

If you've ever wondered what sort of antiquated items linger in our attic which is our collections storage area, this is your chance to find out. From old photos to vintage clothing, this eclectic exhibit is nothing short of nostalgic, and is sure to grab both your attention and imagination.

Exhibition Hours, Heritage House Museum,  
10:30 – 4:30, Monday – Friday. Call 613  
283-8560 for information.

### On display until May 30 / À l'affiche au 30 mai

#### *The Dutch Connection: An exhibition by painter Corinne Nieuwburg*

“Over the years, I have found my own love and deep respect for Canada and Canadians. This is something that I was unable to fully grasp at the time of immigrating, despite the many moving War stories that I was told as a child.” Corinne Nieuwburg

The Dutch Connection is an intimate look at the artist's family heritage, and how it has influenced her life and her art. With the paintings, documents, and artefacts displayed in this exhibition the artist takes the viewer on a visual journey down a historical and culturally diverse path.  
[www.bytownmuseum.com](http://www.bytownmuseum.com)

#### *D'ascendance hollandaise : Une exposition de la peintre Corinne Nieuwburg*

« Au fil des ans, j'ai éprouvé mon propre amour et mon propre respect pour le Canada et les Canadiens. Ces sentiments, il m'était impossible de les ressentir pleinement lors de l'immigration, malgré tous les récits de guerre touchants qu'on m'avait racontés enfant. » Corinne Nieuwburg

D'ascendance hollandaise jette un regard intime sur l'héritage familial de l'artiste et sur la manière dont il a influencé sa vie et son. Grâce à ses tableaux, aux documents et aux artefacts présentés dans l'exposition, l'artiste espère de faire vivre aux visiteurs un voyage visuel dans une histoire récente et une culture différente.  
[www.bytownmuseum.com](http://www.bytownmuseum.com)

## On display until June 4

**Voices of the Town: Vaudeville in Canada**  
Nepean Museum, 16 Rowley Ave, Nepean

Please contact  
[reception@nepeanmuseum.ca](mailto:reception@nepeanmuseum.ca) or call 613-723-7936 for more details.

## On display until July 3



### **Say It In Red**

Mississippi Valley Textile Museum, 3  
Rosamond Street E. Almonte, ON 613-256-3754 x15

Artists: Mary Young & Marilyn Crawford  
Exhibit opening: May 8th 2 pm to 4 pm

The artists preparation for this exhibition began exactly ten years ago. It was in the spring of 2000 that Marilyn Crawford and her daughter, Anna, toured Britain in a little red rental car. Marilyn chose to capture those memories in redwork. Marilyn shared her enthusiasm for this medium with Mary Young and so their adventure began.

Their collection of antique redwork pieces is a delight, giving the viewer an insight into women's work and attitude to life in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. They embroidered on cloth vignettes and images that were important to them as we are doing today. Although they are no longer producing patterns, Marilyn and Mary are still capturing red embroidery threads, life as we see it.

## On display until August 8



### **Weaving a Different View**

Mississippi Valley Textile Museum, 3  
Rosamond Str. E. Almonte, Ontario, 613-256-3754  
[www.textilemuseum.mississippimills.com](http://www.textilemuseum.mississippimills.com)

The exhibitors are members of "Weavers Unlimited" who love to explore structure and complex designs and like to present these concepts in innovative approaches to weaving.

Their exhibition is meant to stretch the boundaries of weaving through a series of garments and wearable art, all using handwoven fabric. What they aimed for is to weave with a different view, which the artists chose as the title of the exhibition.

Participating members are Jean Bair, Jean Down, Hilfried Friedericy, Karin Hendriksen, Ruth Jarvis, Deb McKay, Roberta Murrant, Francesca Overend, Anne Rombeek, Pam Theilmann and Irene Cox (in memoriam).

## On display until October 31

### **Prints from the Past**

The Frances Jones Collection Smiths Falls native Frances Jones was a print-maker and painter who worked from the 1930's to the 1970's, recording images from this area that are now gone. This prominent artist works are now in collections of the National Archives, Carleton University Art Gallery and Heritage House Museum. Come and experience Jones' Prints from the Past, featuring images of the Smiths Falls and Rideau area. Heritage House Museum, Exhibition Hours, 10:30 – 4:30, Monday – Friday until May 1st, then daily until Oct. 31. Call 613 283-8560 for information.

## On display until December 24 / À l'affiche au 24 décembre

### **By All Accounts: 75 Years of Central Banking.**

By All Accounts: 75 Years of Central Banking gives a fascinating peek into how the events of the 20th and 21st centuries have shaped the Canadian economy. Visitors will learn how the work of the Bank has in the past—and continues—to influence their daily lives. [www.currencymuseum.ca](http://www.currencymuseum.ca)

### **Tout compte fait : 75 ans de banque centrale.**

Tout compte fait : 75 ans de banque centrale offre un aperçu fascinant sur la manière dont les événements du XXe et du XXIe siècle ont façonné l'économie

canadienne. Cette exposition permettra aux visiteurs de comprendre l'influence qu'a eue et que continue d'avoir le travail de la Banque sur leur vie quotidienne.

[www.currencymuseum.ca](http://www.currencymuseum.ca)

## Saturday May 15

### **Good Fences Make Good Neighbours**

On Saturday May 15, please join the Goulbourn Historical Society at the Stittsville Library (1637 Stittsville-Main) as we enjoy "Good Fences Make Good Neighbours".

Guest speaker Eugene Fytche has spent time studying the history of log fences in Eastern Ontario and has produced a book, 400 Years of Log Fences, describing his finds. Not only does the book discuss the history of fences (and no, they were not just to keep out the neighbours) but he even includes directions on how to build these fences. As Eugene says "we here in eastern Ontario have a unique remnant of pioneer heritage and my work has been to spread the word so that people both here and away all know of it and appreciate it."

The presentation starts at 1:30 and Eugene will discuss log fences and show pictures of the many styles of log fences that actually exist.

Admission, parking (next door, side streets, etc.) and refreshments are free. For further information, 613-836-7931.

### **OTHS & Museum Open House and Volunteer Appreciation Tea.**

Come share tea and treats with us as we celebrate the contributions of our many volunteers.

For further information please contact the OTHS museum at 613-821-4062 or online at [oths@magma.ca](mailto:oths@magma.ca).

## Sunday May 16

### **Hidden Treasures in our Community**

1:00-3:00pm

Every community is full of treasures and stories. Our job as Museum workers is to discover these treasures and share them with you. Join us for a special treasure hunt on May 16th at 1:00pm and we'll search for secrets about the history of our community and tell the exciting stories about our Neighbourhoods that have been recently uncovered by our staff.

This program is running in collaboration with the exhibit Our Neighbourhoods, Our Community which opens May 8th 2010!

\$5/participant

Please contact Kalle Boucher at [education@nepeanmuseum.ca](mailto:education@nepeanmuseum.ca) or by phone at 613.723.7936 for more information.

### **Yap & Yarn: Knitting Circle at Goulbourn Museum**

The third Sunday of each month from 1-3pm.

Bring a friend and your own knitting project – one currently on the go or one you need help with – and get free knitting advice from local experts Julie & Vivianne Stewart of Fine Fibre Finds in Stittsville. All skill levels welcome. We meet at the museum on the third Sunday of each month. Enjoy complementary tea, coffee and treats. Reclaimed and recycled yarn will be available for purchase, cash only.

For more information please email [education@goulbournmuseum.ca](mailto:education@goulbournmuseum.ca).

### **Tea and Tour at Billings Estate**

Sponsored by the Sir Guy Carleton Branch of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada

1:45 pm

Cost: Tour - Seniors 60+ \$5.00. Tea afterwards in the tea room - your choice, separate bills or share a 3 tier tea plate among 2-3 people, approximate cost \$20. To be paid at the house.

Confirm your attendance with Lynne Webb at 613-820-9333. Attendance limited to 20 people. Friends and family are welcome.

## **Tuesday May 18**

### **Diefenbunker Cold War Cinema website**

Once a month, we screen a Cold War themed movie deep inside the bunker in real Cold War surroundings!

*James Bond - Moonraker*: A space shuttle called the Moonraker, built by Drax Industries, is on its way to the U.K when it is hijacked in mid-air and the crew of the 747 carrying it is killed. Bond immediately is called into action, and starts the investigation with Hugo Drax himself. While at the Drax laboratories, Bond meets the brilliant & stunning Dr. Holly Goodhead, a

NASA astronaut & CIA agent who is investigating Drax for the U.S. Government. One of Drax's thugs, the sinister Chan, attempts to kill 007 at the lab but when that fails, he follows Bond to Venice and tries again there. Bond & Goodhead follow Drax's trail to Brazil, where they once again run into the 7' Goliath Jaws, a towering giant with metal teeth. Escaping from him, they discover the existence of a huge space station undetected by U.S. or Soviet radar, and a horrible plot by Drax to employ nerve gas in a genocidal project! Bond & Holly must quickly find a way to stop Hugo Drax before his horrific plans can be put into effect.

Please reserve your spot, as space is limited.

For reservations call 613.839.0007 or email: [movie@diefenbunker.ca](mailto:movie@diefenbunker.ca)

Mini tour at 6pm/ Film at 7pm sharp. Please arrive 15 minutes early

## **Saturday May 22**

### **Lilac Rows Tour**

May 22, 2 & 3 p.m. take part in a free guided tour along the Central Experimental Farm Lilac Walk with the Friends of the Farm. Free Parking at the Canadian Agriculture Museum south of Prince of Wales traffic circle. Signs from parking lot pointing the way. Donations gratefully accepted. For information, 613-230-3276, [info@friendsofthefarm.ca](mailto:info@friendsofthefarm.ca), [www.friendsofthefarm.ca](http://www.friendsofthefarm.ca).

### **Evening Tours of the Museum of Nature**

Haunted Walks will be taking part in the grand re-opening of one of Ottawa's most notoriously haunted buildings, the Canadian Museum of Nature! On Saturday, May 22nd, we are partnering with the museum to provide free evening tours that will explore the new renovations, the rich history, and the ghost stories that permeate the entire building. There will be tour departures every 10 minutes from 7:00PM - 11:00PM. Come and join us for this unique opportunity to spend an evening inside one of Ottawa's most fascinating and haunted buildings! 613-232-0344 [info@hauntedwalk.com](mailto:info@hauntedwalk.com).

### **Visites du soir au Musée canadien de la nature**

Nous sommes très enthousiaste pour annoncer que nous participerons à la grande ré-ouverture d'un des édifices les

plus hantés à Ottawa - le Musée canadien de la nature! Le samedi 22 mai, on offrira les visites libres du soir avec le Musée qui exploreront les nouvelles rénovations, l'histoire riche, et les histoires de fantôme qui imprègnent l'édifice entier. Il y aura départs toutes les 10 minutes à partir de 19h00 - 23:00. Venez nous rejoindre pour cette occasion pour passer une soirée à l'intérieur d'une des édifices les plus fascinants et les plus hantés! 613-232-0344 [info@hauntedwalk.com](mailto:info@hauntedwalk.com).

## **Saturday May 22 - Monday May 24 / le samedi 22 mai au le lundi 24 mai**

### **Canadian Museum of Nature - Grand Reopening Celebrations**

Five years of construction and restoration of this famous Ottawa landmark are finally coming to an end, and we'd like to invite you to celebrate with us and see what's new (just in time for our 100th anniversary)!

Mark this historic occasion at our evening castle-warming party, Tribute to Light festival, Victorian tea, or at any of the other fun, family-friendly activities during our weekend-long Grand Reopening celebrations.

Explore new world-class galleries and special exhibitions that provide educational and interactive fun. There is so much to see, hear, touch and learn. Discover the world in which we live!

Experience the extensive renovation of this heritage building in person. Don't forget to catch the spectacular view from our glass lantern, a striking structure that tops our main entrance where a stone tower once stood nearly a century ago.

Join us as we commemorate 100 years of wonder at the museum.

### **More Information**

### **Musée canadien de la nature - Célébrations de la Grande réouverture**

Après cinq années de travaux de construction et de restauration, ce célèbre lieu historique à Ottawa est enfin prêt, et nous sommes heureux de vous y inviter pour en admirer toutes les nouvelles caractéristiques (juste à temps pour son 100e anniversaire).

Marquez cette occasion historique en participant à la soirée de pénétration de la crémaillère, à l'hommage au Festival des lumières, ou au thé à la victorienne. Il y

aura au programme de notre week-end de festivités de nombreuses autres activités amusantes pour toute la famille.

Explorez les nouvelles galeries exceptionnelles et les expositions spéciales, à la fois amusantes, interactives et enrichissantes. Il y a tant à voir, à entendre, à toucher et à apprendre. Venez découvrir le monde naturel qui nous entoure!

Venez voir le résultat des grands travaux de rénovation qui ont été faits dans ce bâtiment patrimonial. À ne pas manquer, la vue spectaculaire depuis le lanteron de verre, l'impressionnante structure qui domine l'entrée principale, là où s'élevait il y a près d'un siècle une tour en pierres.

Soyez des nôtres pour célébrer 100 ans de merveilles au Musée!

### Plus information

## Sunday May 30

### **Show and Tell – Make your own Exhibit** May 30, 2010

1:00-3:00pm

Bring one of your most cherished objects or collections from home and create an exhibit which tells us a story about the history of your object/s. We will have supplies on hand so you can create a mini exhibit which you can take home to display to your friends and family.

\$5/participant

Please contact Kalle Boucher at [education@nepeanmuseum.ca](mailto:education@nepeanmuseum.ca) or by phone at 613.723.7936 for more information.

### **May Flowers: Spring Crafts & Activities** 1-4 p.m.

Using a variety of materials, patterns and techniques, children will create a gorgeous bouquet of flowers and an array of spring-themed crafts.

For more information please email [education@goulbournmuseum.ca](mailto:education@goulbournmuseum.ca).

## Sunday June 6

### **Doors Open- Smiths Falls**

Explore unique, historic buildings and sites in Smiths Falls. On this day, Heritage House Museum will celebrate the mill owners who built this 1860's Victorian home and their 2 mills that were built on and powered by the

Old Sly's rapids on the Rideau River. 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., free admission

### **Doors Open Ottawa at the Goulbourn Museum**

10-4 p.m. Join us as we participate in the City of Ottawa's Doors Open event. Discover Goulbourn Township's 1872 Town Hall and adjacent 1961 Clerk's Building that house the Goulbourn Museum & History Centre. Goulbourn Museum's exhibits convey themes of pioneer life, local medical history and municipal history. Additionally, the museum has two interactive exhibitions: The Village Store & The 100th Regiment of Foot. Children can dress up in pioneer clothing, shop for goods and supplies, or enlist in the British military. We encourage visitors to explore the museum and take photographs. The museum is available to investigate on your own or with a guide. Our collection storage area, usually closed to the public, will be open and guided tours from our Curator of Collections will be offered.

For more information please email [education@goulbournmuseum.ca](mailto:education@goulbournmuseum.ca).

## Tuesday June 15 / le mardi 15 juin

### **Diefenbunker Cold War Cinema**

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*Dr. Strangelove*: U.S. Air Force General Jack Ripper goes completely and utterly mad, and sends his bomber wing to destroy the U.S.S.R. He suspects that the communists are conspiring to pollute the "precious bodily fluids" of the American people. The U.S. president meets with his advisors, where the Soviet ambassador tells him that if the U.S.S.R. is hit by nuclear weapons, it will trigger a "Doomsday Machine" which will destroy all plant and animal life on Earth. Peter Sellers portrays the three men who might avert this tragedy: British Group Captain Lionel Mandrake, the only person with access to the demented Gen. Ripper; U.S. President Merkin Muffley, whose best attempts to divert disaster depend on placating a drunken Soviet Premier and the former Nazi genius Dr. Strangelove, who concludes that "such a device would not be a practical deterrent for reasons which at this moment must be all too obvious". Will the bombers be stopped in time, or will General Jack Ripper succeed in destroying the world?

Please reserve your spot, as space is limited. For reservations call 613.839.0007 or email: [movie@diefenbunker.ca](mailto:movie@diefenbunker.ca) Mini tour at 6pm/ Film at 7pm sharp. Please arrive 15 minutes early

### **Fletcher Wildlife Garden Annual Plant Sale** 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

(East side of Prince of Wales Drive, just south of the Arboretum)

Go native! Say good-bye to lawn grubs, fertilizers, sprinklers, pesticides.

Hundreds of beautiful wildflowers are native to the Ottawa region. We can tell you which ones suit your backyard. Plant a wide variety of native plants to grow a garden that changes from month to month and that creates an ecological balance making herbicides, pesticides, and chemical fertilizers unnecessary. Most of our plants attract butterflies and birds that bring your garden to life.

See our demonstration backyard garden, and pick up free plant lists and "how-to" info on gardening for butterflies, attracting birds, building a backyard pond, and more!

Information : [www.ofnc.ca/fletcher](http://www.ofnc.ca/fletcher)

### **Vente annuelle de Plantes Indigènes - Jardin Écologique Fletcher, Ottawa** de 9h30 à 12h30

(Promenade Prince of Wales, au sud du rond point de l'Arboretum)

Soyez Nature! Dites adieu aux mixtures, traitements et pulvérisations de toutes sortes !

La région d'Ottawa est riche de centaines de plantes indigènes plus belles les unes que les autres. Nous vous aiderons à trouver celles qui se plairont dans votre jardin. Vous verrez votre parterre fleurir et se transformer au fil des saisons, sans engrais ni pesticides. Les plantes indigènes feront aussi revenir les papillons et les oiseaux.

Visitez notre jardin, derrière le centre d'interprétation, pour vous faire une idée de ce que votre cour arrière pourrait devenir. Des fiches techniques sont à votre disposition pour vous aider à créer une haie, jardiner pour les papillons, composter etc...

Renseignements : [www.ofnc.ca/fletcher](http://www.ofnc.ca/fletcher)