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Ongoing Exhibits and Activities / Activités et expositions permanentes

On display until April 4

My Neighbourhood, My Voice

On view now is the second grouping of photographs, Youth, which will give you a fascinating insider perspectives on what it is like to live in Ottawa. The final installment, Family, will be on display from February 23 to April 4, 2010.

The inspiration for this project grew out of the Ottawa Neighbourhood Study that profiles 91 neighbourhoods in Ottawa - their history, people, environment, amenities and services, and resident health. The photographs in the exhibition are honest and show a balanced view of what is good, and what most needs to be changed in our neighbourhoods.

The My Neighbourhood, My Voice project is a joint project conducted by Dr. Elizabeth Kristjansson of the University of Ottawa, the Coalition of Community Health and Resource Centres of Ottawa, and Success By 6 Ottawa. www.bytownmuseum.com



Mon quartier, ma voix

La deuxième partie de l'exposition se déroule présentement avec l'exposition d'une deuxième série de photographies intitulée La Jeunesse. Les photos de cette série donnent une perspective fascinante et intime de la vie à Ottawa. Le troisième et dernier volet de cette exposition s'intitulera La Famille et sera ouvert au public du 23 février au 4 avril 2010.

La source d'inspiration derrière ce projet est une étude sur 91 différents quartiers de la ville d'Ottawa et de leur histoire, des gens, de l'environnement, des loisirs, des services et de la santé des résidents. Les photographies qui font partie de l'exposition créent un portrait franc et honnête de ce qu'il y a de bon et de ce qui doit être changé dans la vie de nos quartiers.

Le projet Mon quartier, ma voix est un projet photographique et descriptif mené conjointement par le professeur Elizabeth Kristjansson de l'Université d'Ottawa, la Coalition des Centres de santé et de ressources d'Ottawa et l'association 6 ans et gagnant. www.bytownmuseum.com

On display until April 25

Bayeux Tapestry at the Mississippi Valley Textile Museum

A replica of the Bayeux Tapestry by artist Raymond Dugan is visiting the Mississippi Valley Textile Museum at 3 Rosamond St. E, Almonte. The piece was created over eight years and is done in the original eight colours. This world class replica of the famous 70 meter tapestries embroidered in the 11th century celebrates the conquest of England by William, Duke of Normandy.

The museum is open from Tuesday to Saturday between the hours of 10 am to 4 pm. Admission: \$5.00. For more information: 613-256-3754 ex. 15, www.textilemuseum.mississippimills.com or mvtm@magma.ca



Saturday March 6

Alice in Wonderland: Storybook adventures at Billings Estate

Don't be late! Alice is going on an adventure and you can join her at Billings Estate National Historic Site March 6 and 13. From 2 to 4 p.m. both days, meet the Mad Hatter, the Queen of Hearts and other beloved characters from Lewis Carroll's classic novel, with games, crafts, excerpt readings and, of course, a tea party. Ages 9 and up.

Advanced registration is required. Call 613-247-4830 or visit ottawa.ca/museums for more info.

Sunday March 7

Bringing the Past to the Present Speakers Series with historical character, Major James Walsh

Brian Porter in character will present an interesting story about the North West Mounted Police and the Canadian hero; Major James Walsh of Brockville, who was one of the original nine officers of the Force from 1873 – 1883. Major Walsh was a friend of Sioux Chief Sitting Bull, who moved into the Canadian west with 5000 Sioux in 1877. As part of a speakers series sponsored by the Smiths Falls & District Historical Society and Heritage House Museum, you are invited to tea and tales by Mr. Porter on Sunday, March 7 at 2:00 p.m. Cost: \$7.00 per person or \$20.00 for the series. Call the museum for tickets at 613-283-8560.

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Wednesday March 17

Terra Incognita: Unknown Landscapes

The ancients used the term Terra incognita to describe regions not yet mapped or documented; today it is used to describe any unexplored subject or field of research. Ottawa has a rich landscape heritage, with examples both obvious and less so. Join Conservation Landscape Architect, John Zvonar, for a tour of some of the Capital's less familiar, and consequently under-appreciated, landscapes. He will provide the context for understanding and appreciating these places.

Admission is free. 7:00 pm, Ottawa Public Library Auditorium, 120 Metcalfe St., corner of Laurier Ave. W.

Call 613-230-8841 for further information.

Thursday March 25

Some Like it Hot

Fashions of the 1950s

Vintage Stock Theatre celebrates the 1950s with its third annual fashion show.

7pm Shenkman Arts Centre, Black Box Theatre, 245 Centrum Boulevard, Orléans

Tickets: \$45

Now available online at www.vintagestock.on.ca, Wall Space Framing, 2316 St. Joseph Boulevard, or reserve by email at mail@vintagestock.on.ca

Information: 613-860-0603

Friday March 26

Gene-O-Rama 2010

Our annual conference includes a number of speakers who share their knowledge and experience on a wide variety of genealogical subjects. This event also features a marketplace with vendors offering genealogical and historically related materials. Cost: \$38. Friday March 26, 2010 7:30 pm; Library Archives Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Room 156 ; Website: ogsottawa.on.ca/geneorama/

Indian Mound Cultures of North America 1pm

Join the Historical Society of Ottawa at the Routhier Community Centre, 172 Guigues St., Ottawa (near Cumberland) to hear Stuart and Marguerite Rogers talk about "Indian Mound Cultures of North America." Free admission. For more info visit hsottawa.ncf.ca or call 613-234-4570.

**MARCH BREAK
2010
CONGÉ DU MOIS DE MARS**

March Break at the Currency Museum

Fraud Prevention Month

During March, the Currency Museum is looking for counterfeit detectors. Take part in fun activities, and see if you can tell the fake currency from the real.

Quebec March Break, March 1 to 5

The Museum will be at select Gatineau libraries to offer the program Curious Currency Chests, geared to children ages 3 to 6. Visit www.currencymuseum.ca for more details.

Ontario March Break, March 15 to 19

The Museum will be at select Ottawa libraries to bring you a hands-on workshop on the art of design and printing of paper money. Workshops are geared to children ages 6 to 12.

Visit www.currencymuseum.ca for more details.

Diefenbunker Spy Camp

Monday March 15 to Friday March 19

March Break Spy Camp at the Diefenbunker Museum!

March Break is quickly approaching and we have the perfect secret training camp for up-and-coming spies! Children (age 7-12) are invited to unleash their inner super spy while learning! As a Bunker Agent, children will learn the art of espionage, develop a disguise for cover, make and break codes, create and use spy gadgets, go on scavenger hunts and take part in many more fun activities. This week-long camp is packed full of hands on spy activities.

Children will go undercover for a week at the Diefenbunker and return home having mastered the skills of a real secret agent!

The March Break Spy camp will run from the 15th to the 19th. The entire week is

\$125.00 per child or \$30/day. Registration is on a first come, first served basis and space is limited. Completed and signed registration form is required to confirm your child's participation in the camp. Before and after care can be provided at an additional cost.

We also hold week long camps during the summer and every week has a different spy theme. Go to our website for more details! For more information or to register, you can download the registration form on our website, call Christine McGuire, Education and Volunteer Manager at the Diefenbunker at (613) 839-0007 ext 223, or email spycamp@diefenbunker.ca.

Spy Camp: March Break

Nepean Museum March Break Programs

To Register contact Kalle Boucher at educationservices@nepeanmuseum.ca or 613-723-7936, www.nepeanmuseum.ca

Monday March 15th 2010

Tour of Fairfields

10:00am-11:00am

Nepean Museum is offering a special tour of the historic Bell Family Homestead. Only 10 spaces available, book your spot NOW!

Tour is free of charge!

Steve McLean Space Program

2:00pm-4:00pm

Drop by Nepean Museum and celebrate one of Nepean's Best astronaut Dr. Steve McLean. Experience your own space adventure and enjoy space related activities and crafts.

\$10/child (Ages 5+)

Tuesday March 16th 2010

All about Stamps

10:00am-12:00pm

Drop by Nepean Museum and create your own stamp designs and postcards as a part of our On the Home Front exhibit.

\$2/child (All ages)

Teddy Bear Making Workshop

2:00-4:30pm

Learn basic sewing skills while making your very own Teddy Bear.

\$15/child (Ages 6+)

Wednesday March 17th 2010

St. Patrick's Day Green Theme Crafts

10:00am-12:00pm

Come dressed in green and celebrate St. Patrick's Day at Nepean Museum and enjoy a number of green themed activities and crafts.

\$2/child (All ages)

Police Program

2:00pm-4:00pm

Join us and enjoy fascinating stories, activities and crafts relating to Nepean's law enforcement history.

\$10/child (Ages 5+)

Thursday March 18th 2010

Green Thumb Gardening Program

10:00am-12:00pm

Drop by and help Nepean Museum prepare for this year's square foot garden. Please wear old clothes as we will be planting seeds as part of the program.

\$2/child (All ages)

Watercolour Painting Program

2:00pm-4:30pm

Learn all about watercolour painting for beginners from artist Dhanashri Athavale. Remember to come dressed in play clothes.

\$15/child (Ages 6+)

Friday March 19th 2010

Teddy Bear Making Workshop

10:00am-12:30pm

Learn basic sewing skills while making your very own Teddy Bear.

\$15/child (Ages 6+)

Pizza Party and Family Movie Night

6:00-8:30pm (All ages)

Come join us for a night at the Nepean Museum. Drop by with your family and enjoy some pizza as well as a movie the whole family can enjoy.

Free Admission

Donations are greatly appreciated!

Watson's Mill March Break Day Camp

March 15 2010

"Writing on Walls"

For as long as there have been walls, people have been writing on them and it's through these writings that we learn what past life was like. The walls of Watson's Mill have stories worth telling, and this year,

Watson's Mill March Break Day Camp will look at how these stories have been told.

The Watson's Mill team invites children ages 6-12 years for the March Break Day Camp, Monday March 15th, where participants will examine the loud and proud world of Graffiti writing. From prehistoric petro glyphs through the carved impressions of ancient Rome to the modern tagging inscriptions on New York City subways, graffiti has given insight to the lives of people past and present.

Participants in The Watson's Mill March Break Day Camp will have first hand experience recreating the styles and mediums Graffiti artists have used in the past and compare them to the graffiti found on the walls in Watson's Mill, then have the opportunity to leave their legacy on the Watson's Mill 150th Anniversary Graffiti Banner.

Come experience a March Break Camp like no other! Don't miss out! Space is limited, so register now!

Cost: \$25 (\$20 for members) includes one small snack, bring your own lunch.

Time: 9:30am - 3:30pm

Ages: 6-12

To Register, or for more details:

Phone Cam at (613) 692-MILL (6455)

email: watsonsmillprograms@rogers.com

Or Drop in!

March Break Activities - A Warm Victorian Winter Welcome – at Heritage House Museum

From Monday to Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 4: 30 p.m., interpreters will welcome to step back to the Victorian times with tours, special demonstrations by special guests and themed half day workshops for kids. Call the museum for more details 613- 283-8560.

Family Heritage Demonstration Schedule – Monday to Friday

Scheduled Special Demonstrations & Activities:

Find the Leprechauns

Each day between 10:30 and 4:30, come on a Leprechaun Hunt. If you are clever enough to spot those mischievous little Irish folk who are hiding and busy spreading gold dust through the museum, then you will get their pot of gold.

Monday, March 15- Traditional Brick Oven Baking Demonstrations

1:00 to 3:30 p.m. -Experience and taste the fire baked breads and goodies from our 1860's indoor brick oven.

Thursday, March 18 – Singing by Sixpence

10:30- Noon -This local chorus known as Sixpence will bring our Victorian parlour to life with traditional music by the piano. Tea, cider and cookies will be served in the dining room and you can enjoy your refreshment while listening to the singing of Sixpence.

Thursday, March 18

1 to 3 pm "Exploring your Family Tree" meet Shirley Sommerville, volunteer, of the Lanark County Genealogical Society & Reference Library, who can help you find resources and ways of finding your family ancestors. This is an introduction to genealogy for all ages.

Kids Workshop Series

You MUST register in advance for the Kids Workshops, space is limited by calling 613-283-8560.

Monday, March 15

Pioneer Cooks Workshop

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Ages 6 and over, Cost \$10.00 per child

Heritage House Museum, Smiths Falls, (613) 283-8560

Like the pioneers, you will cook from scratch using an apple peeler, bake oven, ice cream maker, butter churn and mmmmore!!

Tuesday, March 16

Spring Fling Afternoon

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Ages 6 and over, Cost \$10.00 per child

Heritage House Museum, Smiths Falls, (613) 283-8560

Children can shake out the winter cobwebs with the celebration of spring and Easter with spring has sprung activities and crafts to decorate your home.

Wednesday, March 17

It's a Green Theme!!

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Ages 6 and over, Cost: \$10.00 per child

Heritage House Museum, Smiths Falls, (613) 283-8560

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day, the environment, even Shrek and everything green with several activities and crafts.

Friday, March 19

Be-Dazzled Jewellery Workshop

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Ages 6 and over, Cost \$10.00 per child

Heritage House Museum, Smiths Falls, (613) 283-8560

Using glass and semi-precious stone beads, create your own necklace and bracelets.



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