



Now & Then

Furs & Food

A TASTE OF HISTORY DINNER

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2018 (6:30PM)

AT THE

PRINCE ARTHUR WATERFRONT HOTEL

FEATURING HISTORIAN ARTHUR J. RAY

(DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY, UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA)



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\$65/PERSON, \$120/COUPLE, \$440/TABLE OF EIGHT

(TAX RECEIPTS WILL BE ISSUED)

FEATURING A MENU BASED ON THE CANADIAN FUR TRADE

SEATING IS LIMITED, SO REERVE YOUR SPOT SOON




**ONCE UPON
A TIME WEEK**
PICK A DAY, OR ALL WEEK

March 12 - Sleeping Beauty
March 13 - Snow White
March 14 - Cinderella
March 15 - Big Friendly Giant
March 16 - Beauty & the Beast

Members: \$30/day, \$125/week
Non-Members \$40/day, \$155/week*

*Discounts for multiple registrations on same day.
Space is limited! Register early to avoid disappointment.
Registration begins December 4.

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BOTANICAL REFLECTIONS

There's a new exhibit on the Museum's second floor. *Botanical Reflections* is a Fibre Arts Network travelling exhibit of mixed media fibre art. Each piece is a personal interpretation of a botanical theme based on each artist's vision. The Fibre Arts Network is a cooperative of Western Canadian artists committed to promoting fibre as an art form and each other as artists. Many members of the group have been recognized nationally and internationally for their work.

The exhibit contains 56 small art quilts, very colourful and highly innovative, and, like that pictured here, adhering to the botanical theme. Art lovers and quilters alike will not want to miss this show which is on exhibit until March 31.



Helianthus annuus by Marie McEachern

THE FROZEN NORTHWEST

Winter in Northwestern Ontario (until April 29)



Winter has always been a part of life in the unforgiving landscape of Northwestern Ontario. We have always adapted to winter and, at times, have thrived in it. This exhibit explores the ways we have historically moved, lived, and worked in wintertime through artifacts, paintings, and photographs.

Left: International Transit Co. bus on the Nipigon Highway, 1937.

2018 Lectures

Tuesday, February 27 @ 7:30pm
History of museums from the Renaissance to Catherine the Great
by Dr. Tory Tronrud

Tuesday, March 27 @ 8:00pm
The Alexander Henry: the journey to bring home the former Canadian Coast Guard icebreaker and light-house tender built in Thunder Bay
by Tim Irish

Bingo!

Every month the Museum hosts a bingo at the Superior Shores Gaming hall at 435 Memorial Avenue. Bingos are and have been a major fundraiser for us for decades. We are always looking for help at these events – it only requires a couple hours of work – so please give us a call if you are interested. Please also consider playing bingo; every additional player adds to the funds distributed to local charities.

Job Opportunity

The Museum's car raffle will start in earnest in April. We currently have an opening for a raffle coordinator. The job description is posted on the Museum's website. This is a contract position lasting for the duration of the raffle.

Volunteering

The Museum is always looking for new volunteers. We need cataloguers, front desk attendants, writers, digitizers, researchers, and people who can help at events and fundraisers. Even if weeding is your speciality we can use your help. If you'd like to become involved, give us a call.

Annual Meeting

Don't miss our AGM on Tuesday, March 27th, starting at 7:00pm.

Beckwith Film Project

Wendell Beckwith, an inventor, master wood worker, and free thinking scientist, ended up alone, on the tip of Best Island, north of Armstrong, on the remote Whitewater Lake in 1961. There he would stay until his death in 1980 at the age of 65.

Today, Wendell's cabins still attract visitors from all over the world, and Wendell's story has become a piece of Northwestern Ontario folklore.

Filmmaker Jim Hyder, who knew Beckwith, has partnered with the Museum to try to get a film made of Wendell's life. The film will ask, who was Wendell Beckwith? It will explore his skills, his relationships, his legacy and, particularly, his science, for it was his need to uncover the natural laws that govern the universe that brought him to Northwestern Ontario.

Wendell's story would interest those who appreciate the stories of unique and colourful individuals, and those who love the freedom and beauty of our region. The film will also assist the Museum where a collection of the Beckwith artifacts and archives are stored and made available to researchers.

The Museum is accepting funds to help complete this film. If you would like to help, send your donation to the Museum and indicate that it's for the Beckwith Film Project.



Award Winners

At the Presidents' Reception in January the bi-annual Publications Awards were presented:

Elizabeth Arthur Award: Ernest Robert Zimmermann, *The Little Third Reich on Lake Superior*

Gertrude H. Dyke Award: David Tarbet, *Grain Dust Dreams*

J.-P. Bertrand Award: Brittany Luby and Katharine Labelle, "Cooperative Education at the Day School at Dalles 38C Indian Reserve, 1890-1910" & George Warecki, "Environmental Coalitions and the Limits of Science: Wilderness Advocacy in Ontario in the 1970s"

George B. Macgillivray Award: Carl Westerback, "Tee Habour: A Memoir of a Life in a Fishing Village in the 1930s"

Ernest Robert Zimmermann First Publication Award: David Tarbet, *Grain Dust Dreams*

CLASSIC CAMARO RAFFLE

For Tickets Call: 623-0801

Draw: Sept. 4. 15,000 tickets printed.
Licence #786678

Grand prize value: \$42,000 (plus PST)

Tickets:

1 for \$15
2 for \$20
5 for \$40
15 for \$100
80 for \$500

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Once again the Museum is holding a classic car raffle to raise funds. This year's prize is a beautiful 1969 Camaro RS. As usual we need help at the sales tables so, if you have a few hours to spare, please give Tory a call at the Museum (623-0801)



**The Thunder Bay
Historical Museum Society**

Request for Nominations, 2018

Nominations for positions on the Board of Directors of the Thunder Bay Historical Museum Society will be accepted until 12:00 noon, March 27, 2018. Further nominations will be accepted from the floor of the annual general meeting of the Society to be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at 7:00pm, provided the consent of the person nominated is given personally or in writing at the time such additional nominations are made. Candidates and nominators must be valid, current members of the Society.

Four directors are to be elected for three-year terms.

The following persons continue in office as directors until their term of office expires in March of the years indicated below

2018

Elle Andra Warner

Sara Janes

Steven Jobbitt

Gillan Matson

2019

Michel Beaulieu

Frank Gerry

Jenna Kirker

Diana Pallen

2020

Douglas Yahn

Jesse Roberts

Dave Van Wagoner

Brendan Hardick

Dated at Thunder Bay, the 16th day of December, 2017

Nomination Form

I, _____, nominate _____ for the office of Director of the Thunder Bay Historical Museum Society.

Signature of Nominator: _____

Consent of Nominee:

I hereby consent to my nomination for the position of a Director of the Thunder Bay Historical Museum Society.

Dated the _____ day of _____, 2018 .

First name: _____ Second name: _____ Last name: _____

Address: _____

Signature of nominee: _____

Note: to have voting privileges at any meeting of members, one's membership must have been acquired at least two weeks prior to the meeting.
[by-law #7, March 28, 1985]



FACE to FACE

Portraits from the Thunder Bay Museum Collection

The history of Thunder Bay has been shaped by its people—people who have lived and worked here, people who harnessed our natural resources, people in politics and business. This exhibit of portraits on the Museum's third floor, highlights some of the men and women who played a role in our history, whether large or small, from our origins to the recent past.