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Kicking off 2022

Updates from Executive Director, Scott Bradley

Greetings from the Executive Director of your Thunder Bay Historical Museum Society. I hope this message finds you and your loved ones fairing well. I know it's a challenging time with many folks getting COVID-19 and being isolated from daily life, keeping our driveways from becoming car based mogul courses,

and the tragic war in Ukraine. Since the last newsletter things have been relatively uneventful at the Thunder Bay Museum, we were closed to the public for January and reopened for all activities on 1 February. We have been working away behind the scenes on digitalization of media in the archive, cataloging and inventory, event planning, and are currently hosting the Fibre Art Network's *Threads of Hope* quilt exhibit. On the following page you will see that we have an exciting schedule of events for the spring and have more planned but not announced yet for the summer and fall. We have new traveling exhibits arriving this spring, including "And in 1948, I came to Canada": The Holocaust in Six Dates and Killing the Indian in the Child: Generations Lost a traveling exhibit about residential schools. We are also planning on installing our temporary exhibit about Wendell Beckwith this summer.

Speaking of summer we hope to have a very busy one with our Summer Camps running at full capacity and the return of our popular walking tours. We are also finishing the planning and licensing for our annual Classic Car Raffle, but I dare not say more, just keep an eye out for announcements in the coming weeks.



Sadly it is also this March that we say goodbye to some invaluable contract employees Shylin Henits, Atlas Waite, Sage Brandie, and Holly Fleming. Their work in collections management, outreach and archives was generously funded by the Canadian Museums Association through the Government of Canada's, Young Canada Works in Heritage Organizations program and Building Careers in Heritage.

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Upcoming Events for Spring 2022

fibre art network

22 March 2022 @ 8:00PM... Lecture - Nick Duplessis - Social Democratic Politics and the Evolution of the CCF in Thunder Bay, 1945-59

2 April 2022 @ 9:30AM... Brad Woods - Tell Good Stories!

11 April 2022 @ 7:00PM... Exhibit Opening Reception - "And in 1948, I came to Canada": The Holocaust in Six Dates

27 April 2022 @ 7:30PM... Virtual Lecture - Dr. Valerie Hébert - `*Nothing is to be* gained by creating an internal problem in an effort to meet an International one': Canada's Response to the **Jewish Refugee Crisis**

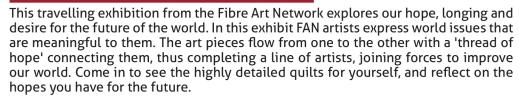
10-12 May 2022 @ 6:30PM... Concert Series - A Song Rings Out: Composers of the Holocaust

19 May 2022 @ 7:00PM... Lecture - Mark Scharf - Child of Holocaust Survivors 25 May 2022 @ 7:00PM... Lecture - Creation of the Thunder Bay Community Auditorium

If you are interested in attending any of these events, please sign up by using the following link: https://thunderbaymuseum1.wildapricot.org/Member-Events

Threads of Hope

Exhibit closing on 10 April 2022 *Extended Date*





"And in 1948, I came to Canada": The Holocaust in Six Dates



This travelling exhibition from the Montreal Holocaust Museum explores the history of the Holocaust and the Second World War through six key dates, as well as Canada's reaction to these events. It raises questions about Canada's involvement in the conflict, revealing the government's inaction towards Jewish refugees. The exhibition also explores survivors' immigration and settlement in the post-war years.



Musée Holocauste Montréal Montreal Holocaust Museum





Exhibits Closing Soon

Strawberry Hill Werkshop Exhibit closing 1 April 2022 Includes 50 ceramic works from

the collection of Liz and Peter Powlowski made in their home studio in Kaministiquia, Ontario in 1967-1994.

1821: A Union of Rivals

Exhibit closing 29 May 2022 This exhibit commemorates the 200th anniversary of the North West Company and Hudson Bay Company merger.





Killing the Indian in the Child: **Generations Lost**

Only available from June to October 2022

This exhibit from the Legacy of Hope Foundation focuses on the legacy of the Indian Residential School System, and its enduring impacts on Survivors, their descendants, and on society as a whole. The exhibit shows the direct links between the Residential School System and the contemporary social crises affecting Indigenous communities across the country.



'Recent Accessions' Exhibit

Only available from April to August 2022

Have you ever wondered about donating an artifact to the Museum? This exhibit will showcase interesting new artifacts we've added to the Thunder Bay Museum's collection in recent years and show insights into the donation and acquisition process!

If you are interested in donating items to the Thunder Bay Museum please visit our website to learn more: www.thunderbaymuseum.com/making-a-donation/

Black History Month Exhibit

"Thunder Bay's Early Black Residents"

Discover our new online exhibit for "Thunder Bay's Early Black Residents" who lived and worked here. This exhibit includes stories from: Julia Ann Roy, Lizzie Washington, Hiram T. Scurry and Martha Scurry, and Charles 'Doc' Baker. Scan the QR code to access the virtual exhibit or visit our website at:

www.thunderbaymuseum.com/early-black-residents-ofthunder-bay



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NEW TO THE GIFT SHOP!!



Locally made T-shirts by Ungali \$30.00 Whiskey Glasses - \$30 each or a Set of 2 for \$55

Don't forget to use coupon code **TBHMS-Mem** to save 10% on your next purchase through our online store. www.thunderbaymuseum.com

The Gift shop's newest plushie member is out of hibernation and ready for purchase! The black bear joins our dino and fox plushies this spring!



Museum Staff Anniversary

2022 marks 5-years of service at the Thunder Bay Museum

Congratulations to our Front Desk/Gift Shop Attendant, Kathleen Jewett, for five years of service with the Thunder Bay Museum. You may recognize Kathleen's friendly voice greeting you as you arrive at the Museum or call in.

Multi-Purpose Room Rentals

at the Thunder Bay Museum

Located on the third floor, this room is decorated with floral wallpaper, crown moulding, stained glass & unique artifacts.

With seating for up to 75 people, the Multi-Purpose Room is an ideal venue for meetings, baby & bridal showers, small weddings and more!

For information or bookings please contact:

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Next time you visit us, feel free to congratulate Kathleen and check out the new products she has stocked in our gift shop!



Seeking Bingo Volunteers

Help us fundraise by volunteering for bingo sessions

The Thunder Bay Museum is actively seeking volunteers interested in assisting with our monthly bingo sessions held at the Superior Shores Gaming Centre on Memorial Avenue. COVID-19 put a long pause on bingo volunteers for the majority of the past 2-years. Now that capacity limits have been eliminated and vaccine passports are no longer required we expect to be starting again in April 2022. Our team is very short staffed and any help will go a long way.

If you are interested, please contact our Chief Operating Officer, Marcus Agombar, by email at operations@thunderbaymuseum.com.



DIY Studio Paint Night at the Thunder Bay Museum

Join the Thunder Bay Museum and the DIY Pottery Studio for an evening of painting with inspiration from the current Strawberry Hill pottery exhibit.

March 24 | 5:30-8:00 Tickets only \$30.00

Visit our website for more information and to purchase tickets. www.thunderbaymuseum.com

*Includes gallery exploration and light refreshments







Writers Needed

Our Thunder Bay Historical Museum Society has a proud history of publishing. The printing of a book was the first activity undertaken in 1908 when the Society began. We are still open to new manuscripts on historical themes related to Northwestern Ontario. Let us know if you have a book you think might be worthy of publishing.

More information for perspective authors can be found here:

www.thunderbaymuseum.com/publications/guide-for-prospective-authors/

