

Here we are mid-spring (finally!) and busy as bees getting ready for our summer events. The *That's What Friends Are For Gala* will open our summer of activities on June 4. In this issue of E-News, you will find details about several very exciting (and high \$ value) donated items to be auctioned at the gala. Interested but can't attend? Contact a Friends Director to bid on your behalf! Just make sure they will have the funds (cash, cheque, or VISA) to pay up at the close of the evening!

On June 5 **ON THE VERANDAH** opens for a summer-long season of Friday evening outdoor concerts.

On June 28 a **Strawberry Garden Party** will celebrate the 20th Anniversary of Benares opening as a museum.

Benares Historic House is featured in a backyards tour on July 5 and 6, from which Friends will receive a major donation on behalf of the Museums.

With all this coming up in the next few weeks, we're looking forward to seeing many, many of you very soon!

Communications & Membership Committee

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CALENDAR

Friends 16th Annual Fund-Raising Gala Thu, Jun 04
Holcim Waterfront Estate

On the Verandah Fri, Jun 05
Ontario Heartland Chorus
7:30 p.m. at Benares Historic House

Friends Board of Directors Meeting Mon, Jun 08
5:45 p.m. at The Log Cabin, Bradley Museum

On the Verandah Fri, Jun 12
Mississauga Children's Choir
7:30 p.m. at Benares Historic House

On the Verandah Fri, Jun 19
The Denise Leslie Jazz Trio
7:30 p.m. at Benares Historic House

On the Verandah Fri, Jun 26
Jazz Plasma
7:30 p.m. at Benares Historic House

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noon to 4:00 p.m. at Benares Historic House

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7:30 p.m. at Benares Historic House

On the Verandah Fri, Jul 24
Rob Tardik
7:30 p.m. at Benares Historic House

The Flood of 2015 | Anchorage

On February 17th, the sprinkler system at The Anchorage froze, a water supply pipe broke, and a devastating flood ensued. The artifact collection then housed in the Basement Vault storage is temporarily housed at another Mississauga City property site during the remodel and restoration of the Anchorage. Rob Stanczyk, Acting Collections Assistant, has been working tirelessly with part-time staff and volunteers to create condition reports, re-house the artifacts, and complete an inventory of the damage caused from the flood. Only a few artifacts were damaged beyond repair, including a corn starch box and 10 lace fragments. Most items are in good condition with minor damage. Eighteen (18) binders of photographs and 56 quilts have been restored by First on Site, and returned to the Museums with no losses. The City and Museums are planning on moving the entire collection back to the Anchorage at the beginning of July depending on the renovation of the storage area.



View from the back entry into the main hall at The Anchorage.



Textile artifacts drying on the floor at Visitors Centre of Benares Historic House.

That's What Friends Are For Gala

ITEM TO BE AUCTIONED!

**3 months of advertising
on Mississauga's Online Radio www.thehazefm.ca**



***Includes full development and production of a 30 second commercial,
that will play 200 times per month.***

RETAIL VALUE \$1,497.00

What's Happening at MOMAC?

It's spring so I make no excuses for waxing lyrical!

It was T.S. Eliot who said “ To make and end is to make a beginning”; and so it is with MOMAC. We have a four year term which runs concurrently with Council, so 2015 brings a new start for MOMAC. We said a fond farewell to some members: Lawrence Cook, Pat Mullin, Jim Tovey and John van Camp. Annemarie Hagan also moved on to PAMA after twenty years with the Museums of Mississauga. Space does not allow me to do justice to the contributions made over many years by this quintet. I can say though that each of them made unique contributions, put in real effort and time, and have left the Museums in a better place than they otherwise would have been. So on behalf of us all, “Thank you!”

The other side of T.S. Eliot's quotation is one of new beginnings. So for our new term let me welcome our two new Councilors who are members of MOMAC: Karen Ras from Ward 2, and John Kovac from Ward 4. Also there are three new citizen members this term Irfan Malik, Barbara Tabuno and Mira Coghlan. Another key new face (at least to the Museums) is Stuart Keeler as the new Manager and Chief Curator – Museums. Watch future issues of Friends E-News for each to describe the route that led to their involvement with the Museums.

As Chair of MOMAC, I look forward to working together with old and new members over the next four years.

So what are we going to do? For MOMAC as a whole it is not quite a new beginning as we will be building on the foundations we laid in the last term. Those foundations include a new artifact storage capacity, a new collection focus and a new mandate for MOMAC to advise Council on a new city-wide museum. So we have a strong foundation to build on!

Looking forward to our objectives for 2015, members of MOMAC have already or are about to be interviewed by a consultancy team who are assisting the Culture Division is in the process of developing a Strategic Plan for the Museums of Mississauga and Heritage Planning units. To quote from the preamble, “The Strategic Plan aims to create a new vision for heritage services in Mississauga, along with recommendations of how these units can grow and manage the City's evolving cultural, social and built heritage, develop partnerships, and ensure continued relevance within the community.” This is exciting as it will provide a robust framework for developing new approaches for the Museums.

But I feel strongly that 2015 will not just be a planning year, I intend that we will undertake lots of Community Engagement activity. We need to reach out to citizens, politicians and businesses to achieve a couple of major objectives. Firstly we need to simply to **widen** our connections and general awareness; secondly we need to **listen** to the wider community so that we can better understand the real value of our current and future Museums. It is only with the wider participation and involvement of the whole community that we will be able to achieve our mandate. This participation will put flesh on the dry bones of planning and create something that is dynamic, living and hopefully irresistible. (I did warn you that I would wax lyrical!)

So, new objectives for 2015 are to be built on existing foundations; but only with your continued support! Thank you in advance.

Jeremy Harvey, Chair – Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee



This year the ever-popular Maple Syrup festival ran March 14 through March 22. We hosted 3,773 people over the 9 days and had the pleasure of 861 volunteer hours donated throughout the event by local students and adults.

Added Attractions included:

Touch the Past Horse & Wagon
Mississaugas of the New Credit – Gary Sault, elder and Kim Wheatley
David Brobley – Black Smith
Alana Kline- Traditional Fiddler
Mane Attractions Petting Zoo
Jim Menken - Wood Carver
Peregrine Falcon Foundation

Kelly Kubik, Museums Community Program Supervisor extends special thanks for Sponsorships and Volunteer Pancake Flippers to:





The owls to the left,
and foxes above
were created by
Master Wood Carver **Jim Menken**
during Maple Magic,
using only his chain saw!

These magnificent outdoor art pieces
will be won by
generous and fortunate bidders
in the auction
at the

That's What Friends Are For Gala on June 4.

These happy faces are just a few of the dozens of volunteers who helped out at Maple Magic 2015.

From helping guests find their way, to flipping pancakes (like these three), clearing trash, serving soup, and dozens of other tasks, the volunteers are essential to making every Museums event affordable for Mississauga families. Your support is vital, and very much appreciated by the Museums Staff, the Board of Directors - Friends of the Museums, and every event participant.



That's What Friends Are For Gala

ITEM TO BE AUCTIONED!



Top Gun Fighter Pilot For A Day

Includes: pre-flight briefings, practice formation flying, basic manoeuvres, 5-6 dogfights, debrief,
and a DVD recording of your cockpit experience!

Multiple locations and dates available to suit your travel schedule.

RETAIL VALUE \$4,500.00

Mazo de la Roche Society Celebrated 88th Anniversary of \$10,000 Prize



Mazo's daughter Esmée welcomed almost 30 guests. This was the largest gathering of the Society over the many years this annual event has been held. Esmée was particularly pleased to uncover new reminiscences from people in the community who had some connection or link to Mazo or the time she spent here at Trail Cottage.

It was reported that the society is solvent, is still editing a digital transcription of Mazo's diary, continues to maintain the website mazo.ca, responds to one or two inquiries a year and is trying to find an institution willing to take over the society's responsibilities. Of course, it continuously attempts to promote and publicize the genius of this Clarkson author (Mazo wrote *Jalna* while living at Trail Cottage)!

Everyone complimented the chef on the special tasting menu that was offered. This included a delicious *Jalna* special. Even those with the heartiest appetite were hard pressed to complete the meal.

Two comments dominated the de-briefing:

- The set price was too low to properly reflect the quality and value of the meal.
- The guest list did not include everyone those who attended would have liked to have gossiped with. This was partially due to sickness. However it reflected the fact that the participants did not understand that they had been invited to invite anyone they thought might be interested to attend.

So, the Mazo de la Roche Society is issuing an OPEN invitation to all to attend the April 12, 2016 Whiteoaks Family Dinner. It will be held at 5:30PM at Michael's Back Door Restaurant. It will be in celebration of the 89th Anniversary of the announcement on April 12, 1927 that Mazo de la Roche had won the prestigious *Atlantic Monthly* prize for her novel *Jalna*.

The society has reserved the entire restaurant so that a limited number of tables for 2, 4, 6, 8 can be set up to enable Esmée to visit with each table as each course is served. The menu will be of a multi-course personalized tasting menu. Personalized means that upon arrival guests will be asked to redact whatever item on the menu they do NOT want to be served.

The price per person has been set at \$100 and a few original artworks will be available at the silent auction. Reservations for your table can be made by sending an email to info@mazo.ca.

Fran Goddu – Friend of the Museums of Mississauga, and Promoter of Mazo de la Roche

Friends of the Museums of Mississauga Annual General Meeting April 30, 2015

Following are excerpts from the update by Becky Ryder, President / Chair, Board of Directors, outlining what Friends have accomplished since our meeting in May of 2014.

The Communications and membership Committee formed with Annemarie Hagan, Lindsay Doren, Gay Peppin, Mumtaz Alikhan, Jenny Dale and Barb Smith.

- Friends E-News was distributed in June, September, November and February. The next issue is planned for the week of May 18.
- You may see all previous issues on our website, which was launched with extraordinary help from Jeremy Harvey, in January.
- A summer events flyer was developed and distributed to 4,000 homes in the vicinity of Benares Historic House and Bradley Museum, plus 1,000 to near-by city sites.
- A contest using Twitter to increase membership and promote the WWI remembrance events in September awarded 2 lucky winners with membership at the Great War Flying Museum, and a ride in the Sopwith Strutter. Both of the \$160 memberships were donated by individual Friends, thank you!
- The committee developed our first ever Christmas season flyer – which was very well received by the community, and initiated Photos with Santa at Leslie Log House, doubling our capacity for this fund-raising event.
- The communications and membership committee also analysed our total costs for membership cards and charitable receipts, for cost effectiveness and operational efficiency they recommended that we go to a list only, and the Board of Directors approved the recommendation.

The Sponsorship Committee formed with Jeremy Harvey, Gail Backus, Anne Fabrierkiewicz, Joyce Delves, Annemarie Hagan, and Kelly Kubik.

- The committee developed a new set of sponsorship solicitation materials.
- The Fall 2014 Campaign describes what sponsorship achieves, how to get involved, events included, and how contributions are handled and recognized.
- The Sponsorship Program Guideline specifies the recognition for increasing levels of sponsorship from a \$10 Friends Membership to \$20,000 + which could give naming rights to a major event such as On the Verandah.
- The Events Sponsorship Opportunities summarizes the established events and has photographs depicting families enjoying various activities at the Museums.
- One new major sponsor was achieved, Walden Circle Retirement Community, who have donated the proceeds from the sales of their special 2015 calendars featuring Benares Historic House.

The Governance Committee formed with Fred Durdan, Don Harrington, Jenny Dale and Julie Morris.

- This committee has examined our constitution and operating bylaw, and thoroughly challenged our execution of their principles. They also considered how we might more clearly specify the designation of the proceeds of our fund-raising efforts.
- As the museums and culture division are working towards changes to their mission statements and so on, the governance committee has delayed making recommendations to clarify the vision and mission of Friends pending the work of the city staff.

So, we've been busy. We've made gains in the quality of our promotions and events, and the quantity of both as well. I want all of you to know that these achievements could not happen without the hard work and 100s of hours given by the Board of Directors. Would you join me please in applauding their successes.

After the formal items of the agenda, several of the Museums staff made presentations. Stephanie Meeuwse described the challenge of cataloguing items from Mayor McCallion's terms in office. Stuart Keeler spoke of changes designed to increase repeat visits to the Museums sites. Marnie Mandel gave a very spirited presentation of the newly acquired Pat Bond paintings depicting the Mississauga Train Derailment of November 1979. This collection was purchased for the artifact collection in honour of Annemarie Hagan's 20 years of service at the Museums.



Annemarie recorded a video message to the AGM, which can be viewed on the Friends YouTube Channel at <https://youtu.be/g3oRuMLIqM0>.

That's What Friends Are For Gala

ITEM TO BE AUCTIONED!

Costa Rica Getaway for 8



Includes:

Private Villa accommodations for up to eight people in Playa Herradura or Playa Hermosa, Costa Rica; for 6 days and 6 nights.

Ideal for 4 couples, or a large family!

RETAIL VALUE \$12,000.00



On Thursday, June 4th the Friends will host their 16th annual fundraising Gala in support of the Museums of Mississauga. Over the past 15 years, the Gala has raised over \$160,000!

That's What Friends Are For Gala



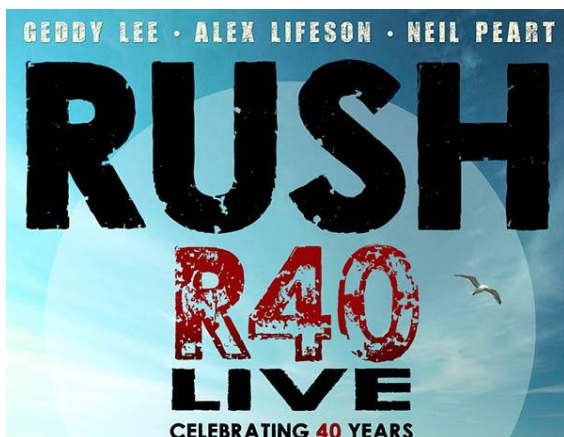
This year our guests will experience a very different Gala from previous years – simply said, a re-invented Gala complete with a new name – That's What Friends Are For Gala. We will host over twice as many guests offering them full access to the historic Holcim Waterfront Estate. Guests will begin their evening with a wine reception on the Estate's back patio overlooking the stunning lakefront grounds, partake in one stop shopping at the silent auction in the Harding House, enjoy dinner and smooth jazz in the outdoor dining tent and marvel, as fireworks light up the night skies.

A fundraising event such as the Gala cannot happen without dedicated volunteers and supportive sponsors – thankfully, we have both! I would like to take this opportunity to thank our many sponsors for their support of the Gala and the Museums of Mississauga. For a full list of sponsors, please visit the Friends website at www.fommississauga.com.

Stay tuned for the next edition of E-News for photographs from the Gala!

That's What Friends Are For Gala

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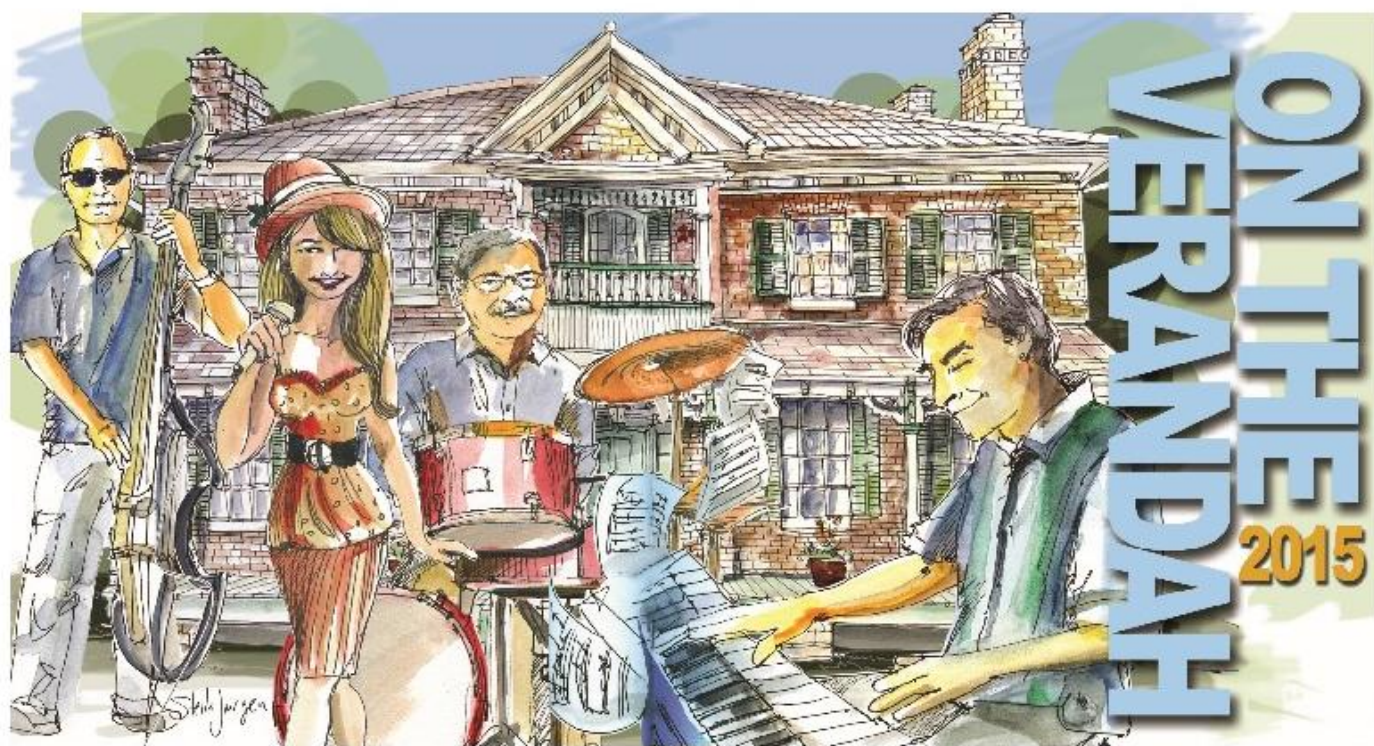


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RUSH R40 LIVE
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AT BENARES HISTORIC HOUSE — JUNE TO AUGUST, FRIDAY EVENING AT 7:30 PM

Every Friday in June.....

June 5 - Ontario Heartland Chorus is a chorus of women who sing and perform "a cappella" music in four-part harmony in the barbershop style. The Chorus is a chapter of Sweet Adelines International and encompasses both Canada and the U.S.A. They meet regularly to practice, socialize and have fun. Practices are held every Tuesday evening at the Adult Centre at Square
www.ontarioheartlandchorus.ca

June 12 - Mississauga Children's Choir celebrates their 35th Anniversary this year. MCC first performed at Benares in 2011, and we are delighted to have this award winning choir back again this season, highlighting choral singing of the highest calibre.
www.mississaugachildrenschoir.com

June 19 - The Denise Leslie Jazz Trio: Denise has been performing jazz at clubs and private functions in the GTA for over ten years and has recently been busy writing and arranging in preparation for an exciting new recording project. Denise enchants when she sings - listen for the fun she has with phrasing - always "upping the ante" on the swing factor! www.reverbnation.com/deniselesliesings

June 26 - Jazz Plazma: This acoustic-style combo plays a mix of jazz and modern classics. Featured vocalist Stella Jurgen is joining Jazz Plazma for their second consecutive year at the Benares House. An international entertainer and singer with a light jazzy style, Stella has been a recording artist since childhood, appearing on TV and radio for the Portuguese Community. Jazz Plazma is very active in the Toronto-Niagara corridor and keeps experimenting with their sound, adding new elements as they present themselves.
www.jazzplazma.com: www.stellajurgen.com

.....*through July*

July 3 - Ablett & Cooper: The love of acoustic fingerstyle guitar brought Don Ablett and Brent Cooper together some years ago. "On the Verandah" has been one of their favourite venues for almost a decade!. When awarding them the Brampton Arts Council Bravo Award, adjudicator Jason Saunders said, "Your set list, arrangements, harmonies and solos all demonstrated a depth of musical connection and understanding that is truly wonderful to participate in as an audience member." www.ablettandcooper.ca

July 10 - The OCTOKATS, a west coast jazz octet, from Toronto, enjoys loves entertaining fans who like Cool Jazz. Their style is synonymous with the groove that was vibrant in the Los Angeles and San Francisco club scene during the 1950's which featured musicians such as Dave Brubeck, Paul Desmond, Chet Baker and Henry Mancini. With the debut CD "Cool West Coast Jazz Comes to Toronto" already under their belt, a 2nd CD is in the works for a 2016 release. Settle back for a very special evening of Cool Jazz.
jazzyscientist@hotmail.com

July 17 - The Ambience Singers is a group of amazing women who love to sing! Directed by Danny McErlaine, a locally renowned jazz pianist, they delight audiences throughout the GTA, performing jazz standards, blues, country, pop, show tunes and gospel songs. Their delicious harmonies and spirited renditions of a wide range of music genres are sure to please everyone! www.ambiancesingers.com

July 24 - Rob Tardik is a regular favourite at On the Verandah. A multi-award winning guitarist and instrumental music artist, Rob has performed at major venues all across North America. Rob had several songs go to the Top 10 on the U.S Billboard Charts in 2011 and 2012. CD #5 "Moments" is due later this summer. He was the 2007 Mississauga Established Performing Artist of the Year and 2010 Canadian Contemporary Jazz Guitarist of the Year. Rob combines his guitar virtuosity and keen melodic sense to create smooth enjoyable music
www.robhardik.com

July 31 - Laura Fernandez is an award winning visual artist (16 published children's books), pianist, singer songwriter and recording artist. Her CD The Other Side led to a prestigious award at a New York Music Festival and performances at Madison Square Garden, Toronto Jazz Festival and the International World Music Festival in Cuba. She has shared the stage with world famous artistes. Her recent CD "Un Solo Beso", celebrates her Spanish roots. Laura has been named to the Steinway Artist roster joining contemporary artists as Billy Joel, Diana Krall, Harry Connick Jr, Lang Lang, and past music greats such as Irving Berlin, Cole Porter, Glenn Gould and Sergei Rachmaninoff. Steinway & Sons chooses pianists who demonstrate a love of Steinway pianos and have achieved a high standard of excellence. Laura is producer/ host of Café Latino on JazzFM91. www.laurafernandezmusic.com

WEB SITES FOR ALL OF OUR PERFORMERS ARE LISTED.
WE HOPE YOU WILL VIEW THEIR OFFERINGS
AND CONSIDER CONTACTING ONE OF THEM
IF YOU NEED MUSICAL ACCOMPANIMENT FOR YOUR SPECIAL EVENTS.

.....and August

August 7 - Halton Mississauga Youth Orchestra: (HMYO) is the premiere youth orchestra in the western Greater Toronto Area. Now in our second season, we result from the amalgamation of two long-standing orchestras, the Halton Youth Symphony and the Mississauga Youth Orchestra, both with more than 25 years of history. Our mission is encapsulated in our tagline: "Enriching Life through Music" Info@hmyo.ca

August 14 - David O'Hearn is a composer, musician, actor and music producer with a studio in Mississauga. He brings 35 years of experience to production, arranging and as a multi-instrumentalist. He composes instrumental music for film, writes rock & pop tunes and has collaborated with many artists in his recording studio. A three-time MARTY Award nominee, David plays with several groups including On The Verandah favourite, Age of Reason. He also performs as a solo artist and in musical/dramatic theatre, as a musician and as an actor (sometimes both!). He has performed in many musical productions including Ragtime, Sound of Music, Man of La Mancha, Miss Saigon, Forever Plaid and Hairspray, Grease and The Full Monty. Recently, David wrote the music score for a short independent film, Pyramid Scream. This film is currently being submitted to film festivals across North America. www.playD.ca.

August 21 - Age of Reason: David and Michelle played at the very first performance of "On the Verandah" Maria and Chris joined in the fun the following year. Ever since, they have delighted our audiences at Benares' and have evolved to cover a broad range of music from the 60's, 70's, 80's and beyond. This year they celebrate their 11th anniversary of playing with us and we hope you enjoy their music as much as they enjoy performing these classic songs for you. www.ageofreason.ca

August 28 - Quantum Brass: Returning to Benares yet again with their popular music, this six piece Brass group has been together for over 8 years. They play an entertaining mix of happy music from classical to popular, big band to Dixieland, show tunes to sing-alongs and more (including a few stories to go with the music). Perfect for a warm spring evening. Contact: jmartin@crimsonmartin.com

More Details

Bring-your-own picnic suppers are welcome.

Please arrive early to secure a table for your enjoyment.

Bring your sing-along voices, insect repellent and blankets or lawn chairs.

ADMISSION IS PAY-WHAT-YOU-CAN

A collection is taken at intermission: suggested donation is \$5-\$10 per person and \$15-\$20 for a family. The proceeds are divided equally between the Friends of the Museums and performers. The Friends of the Museums portion is designated to assist with transportation expenses for school children to participate in experiential history at Benares Historic House, Bradley Museum and Leslie Log House. Last year we funded 28 buses from our share of your contributions. That allowed almost 1000 to participate in our programmes. Your generous support is appreciated.

.....*and finally*.....

Benares Historic House

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www.museumsofmississauga.com

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Program Subject to Change:

Please visit www.museumsofmississauga.com for all the latest information.

In the event of severe weather, call 905-615-4860, ext. 2110 to confirm the program start time.

Light refreshments available for purchase at each concert.

On the Verandah is organized by:



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That's What Friends Are For Gala

ITEM TO BE AUCTIONED!

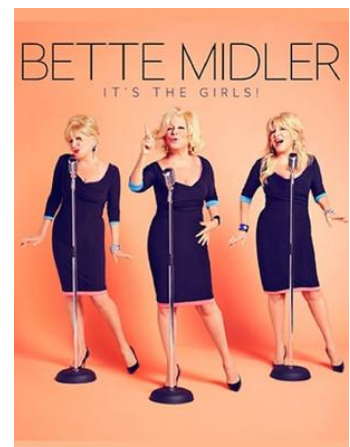
A private box for you and up to 7 of your best friends

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Air Canada Centre on Saturday, June 20, 2015

RETAIL VALUE: \$2,200.00

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You are invited to a:
Strawberry Garden Party
in Honour of Benares Historic House 20th Anniversary
of Opening as a Museum

Sunday, June 28, 2015 from noon to 4:00 p.m.



A Summer Garden Party on the Great Lawn

Wear your summer hat and enjoy a music imbued vintage strawberry social inspired by Clarkson, Strawberry Capital of Canada in the early 1900's.

Strawberry taste treats, vintage cars, readings from the books of Mazo de la Roche, plus live music by the Mississauga Big Band Jazz Ensemble.

Benares Historic House comes alive – bring your own picnic lunch or pre-order a special Carriage Lunch catered especially for this memorable occasion!

Come celebrate the 20th Anniversary of our unique Community Museum.

Learn the stories and tour the home of the Harris family that made Benares their own.

**Friends of the Museums of Mississauga
Board of Directors 2015 - 2016**

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The **mission** of the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga is to engage volunteers and enhance community awareness through promotion, participation and fundraising; and to ensure the integrity of the Museums.

Exhibition Spaces | Refreshed Anchorage and Benares Visitors Centre Interiors

All visitors will notice a new look and feel to the exhibitions platform at both Benares Visitor Centre and the Anchorage. The refurbishment and refresh of the interior will align with professional exhibition standards, as well as a new Visitor Services reception area. In addition, a film is being commissioned by the City that will narrate the story of the Museums, our mission and goals with the community.

Two new exhibitions will create a community conversation about collecting, and the value of material culture. In addition, photo murals will narrate the story of the families that lived in the Heritage Houses – all so that viewers understand, imagine and feel engaged.

Stick, Bat and Ball at The Anchorage, will explore the history of sports using these items, and is the perfect complement to the upcoming PAN AM and PARA PAN AM games. The exhibition will feature items from local collector Gordon Hatten, the Mississauga Sports Hall of Fame, and several local cricket teams as well as our own items.



The Benares Visitor Centre will launch our new series of exhibitions, *We are What We Collect*. This series will feature residents' collections that will be augmented by our own artifact collection. The first in this series will feature artist and well-known teacher in Peel Schools, Don Ball's Mountie collection. Included are over 1,000 figurines and memorabilia marking this iconic figure on the Canadian landscape. All are invited to see this symbol of Canada in a manner that many probably never expected. Both exhibitions will open in mid-June.

Stephanie Meeuwse - Collections & Exhibit Supervisor, Museums of Mississauga

*A very sincere thanks to our 2015 Museums Events Sponsors.
Your generous contributions enhance every guest experience all year long!*



Streetsville Historical Walking Tours



Sunday, May 31ST ~ 1-4pm

Saturday, June 20TH ~ 10am-1pm

Sunday, July 19th ~ 1-4pm

Friday, August 21ST ~ 7pm-9pm ~ Candlelight Walking Tour

Saturday, September 12th ~ 10am -1pm

Sunday, October 18th ~ 1-4pm

All walks are no charge, pre-registration is not required, and begin at the Streetsville BIA office - 280 Queen Street South

Thanks to to **Walden Circle Retirement Community** for their recent donation to the Friends, of the proceeds from sales of their 2015 Calendar featuring Walden residents on-site at Benares Historic House.

Long-time Museums volunteer Mary Lyons was pictured in the maid's room.



Friends of the museums OF MISSISSAUGA

invite you to become a member...

What do Friends do?

We fulfill our **MISSION** "to engage volunteers to enhance community awareness through promotion, participation, and fund-raising; and to ensure the integrity of the Museums" in these activities:

- Host annual Fund-Raising Gala
- Sponsor educational programs on-site and in-school
- Fund artifact acquisition, cataloguing, conservation and preservation
- Sponsor artifact exhibits throughout Mississauga
- Host "On the Verandah" at Benares Historic House
- Fund busing for students to all Museums sites
- Host annual Sponsors Reception
- Host Photos with Santa for Pets and Families

Benefits of Friends Membership:

- Friends E-News keeps you up-to-date with Museums and Friends
- Programs and activities exclusive to Members
- Enjoy learning at the Museums in unique volunteer opportunities
- 20% discount at Maple Magic Gift Shop
- One vote per member at AGM

*To become a Member of Friends of the Museums of Mississauga,
just complete the form and make your donation!*

Friends of the Museums of Mississauga Membership

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