

E-NEWSLETTER

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Liquid Jazz Project



Maple Magic Recap

Dear Friends,

This year has started off on a very positive note. The events at the Museums of Mississauga have been extremely successful. Maple Magic had record numbers of visitors braving the ice and slippery conditions. The creative and innovative Enchanted Forest was a huge hit. The Burlington Welsh Male Chorus had a sold out concert. In addition to the chorus, a female soloist enchanted the audience.

The Friends of the Museums of Mississauga continue to volunteer and organize events to bring more visitors to the different sites. We are working collaboratively with the museum staff, Lisa Abbott and Elizabeth Underhill. Please join us for another year of On the Verandah every Friday night, June through August, at Benares. The money raised from this event has made it possible for many schools to access bussing in order to participate in the educational programmes developed by the Museums.

I am delighted to announce that at our A.G.M. we had three new members join the Board of Directors. We welcome, Caitlin Anderson, June Newhouse, and Joe Zammit.

We would like to sincerely thank Jenny Dale our secretary. Jenny will be leaving the Board. Jenny wore many hats and kept us up to date on policies and grant applications. She was an integral part of the Friends organization and will be sorely missed. We are delighted that she will continue with us in an advisory capacity.

We also had a most interesting and informative presentation, Mississauga Roots to Routes, from our local historian, Matthew Wilkinson.

Last but not least we have a new fundraiser in the planning stages. We are all very excited to bring The Haunting of Harding House to the community at large. Richard Palmisano, the author and investigator of the paranormal, has agreed to share his experiences and encounters with the ghosts of Harding House . We are actively looking for sponsors for this event. CRH has already given us a great start, which is greatly appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you at our events as the year unfolds.

All the best,

Anne Fabierkiewicz, Chair



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MAGICALLY ENCHANTING

DAYS





















Over March Break many visitors attended Maple Magic at the Bradley Museum. Activities included: sap line tours, warming up at the maple cauldron fire pit, seed planting, tasting maple taffy, enjoying pancakes in the Sugar Shack, shopping at the Maple Magic Store & making new feathered and furry friends at the petting zoo. Emanating throughout the grounds was the sound of Tom the Turkey's gobbling, a donkey's hee-haw and the moo of Milky Way, the travelling Dairy Farmers of Ontario dairy cow.

Special daily activities included: listening to toe-tapping musical performances by Liam McGlashon & Alana and Leigh Cline, indigenous maple syrup talks, meeting birds of prey, other special guests and free photos at the Snaptique Photo Booth.

The Enchanted Forest was a big hit. Using neon tape, fabric and paper families made their own maple magic on the walls upstairs in the old log cabin. Each day the forest grew with amazing creativity. With a flick of a switch participants saw the walls glow under LED backlights.

A huge thank you to the hard working, friendly Museum staff and the energetic volunteers who helped to organize and run this very successful annual event. Thank you to all the visitors that attended these magically enchanting days. Hope to see you again next March Break.



Burlington Welsh Male Chorus Fundraising Concert: <u>RECAP</u>



Friends of the Museums of Mississauga hosted a highly successful fundraising concert on May 23rd at St. Bride's Anglican Church on Clarkson Rd. Featuring the acclaimed Burlington Welsh Male Chorus, with guest artist Loralee McGuirl, the audience was treated to a variety of musical genres from traditional Welsh hymns and songs through operatic arias to African folk songs and Broadway extravaganzas. The audience loudly applauded the excellent singing of male voices ably accompanied by virtuoso pianist Larisa Gulenco and long-time Musical Director, Janice Beninger.

The concert was organized by FRIENDS to raise funds for their community events and to support Museum initiatives. The support of St. Bride's Church in providing the venue and the BWMC for their enthusiasm and talent is valued and appreciated.

Our first 2019 On The Verandah concert features BWMC June 7.

- Joyce Delves

To view additional pictures please go to: https://southmississauga.snapd.com/events/view/1221356











presents a hauntingly unique fundraising event

The Haunting of Harding House

An evening with paranormal investigator and author Richard Palmisano

Tickets are almost sold out!

Contact Friends to see if tickets are still available

or to be added to the waiting list.

Thank you for your support!

Cocktails & Hors D'Oeuvres 7:00 pm.

Guest speaker 8:00 pm

Dessert 9:00 pm

Audience Q & A 9:20 pm

Event ends 10:00 pm

Single ticket: \$100 Table of 10: \$1,000

(includes one signature drink)

Cash bar

Thursday, October 24, 2019

Harding Waterfront Estate

2700 Lakeshore Road West

Mississauga, ON

Mystery Bag Raffle (10 tickets for \$20) Heads or Tails (\$10) (Cash only)

Early bird ticket price of \$95 if paid before August 1, 2019.

Cheques payable to Friends of the Museums of Mississauga

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2019 OUTDOOR MUSIC CONCERTS AT BENARES HISTORIC HOUSE

1507 Clarkson Road N. | 905-615-4860



ON THE VERANDAH

SHOWS START AT 7:00 PM FRIDAYS - JUNE THROUGH AUGUST Admission: pay-what-you-can, proceeds fund bussing for museums education programmes.

At Benares Historic House 1507 Clarkson Road N. Sponsored by Friends of the Museums of Mississauga (Every Friday evening @ 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Jun 7 - Aug 30, 2019)

The Friends of the Museums of Mississauga are pleased to host another summer of great music "On the Verandah" at Benares Historic House. The concerts are a fund raising endeavour by this volunteer group to bring students from Peel schools to enjoy education programmes in our historic houses and to learn more about Mississauga's interesting local history.

Come early to enjoy the beautiful grounds of this lovely home, enjoy the flowers and the atmosphere of peace and serenity. Bring along your lawn chairs, perhaps a picnic supper and choose your spot on the lawn in front of the Verandah. We have a few picnic tables for your use and a concession stand for light refreshments.

Every Friday evening we welcome a new musician or musical group. Some performers love playing "On the Verandah" so much that they return season after season. We certainly appreciate their support and enthusiasm. However, we always have some new talented musicians to keep our concerts fresh and inviting. This year we celebrate our 14th consecutive anniversary. We have a wonderful selection of music; something to suit all tastes. With thirteen concerts it is difficult to name them all, but we have a superb Men's Choir, some excellent Jazz groups, fabulous vocalists and award winning musicians

from across the GTA. There is a wealth of great musicians right here in our own community.

At intermission, we bring around our collection baskets for your donations. We suggest \$10+ per person, \$20.00 per family. Our concerts are worth much more. The Friends share, after remunerating our talented musicians & expenses, goes to provide transportation to bring as many students as possible to the Museums. Museum staff devise hands-on courses which follow the Ontario curriculum. One example program, Maple Sap to Syrup, is outlined in this E-Newsletter.

We are proud to contribute our volunteer efforts to this admirable programme.

Our 2019 brochure is attached. The brochure may also be found on our website:

http://fommississauga.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/ OTV-2019-brochure.pdf

For more information, call the Museums of Mississauga at 905-615-4860, ext. 2110 also visit culture.mississauga.ca.

Contact: Joyce Delves (jpdelves@sympatico.ca)

ON THE VERANDAH BIOS FOR PERFORMERS 2019

June 7. Burlington Welsh Male Chorus: Founded June 2001, BWMC appropriately gave its first public performance on St. David's Day, on 1 March 2002. The BWMC sings in the tradition of Welsh four part Male Choirs ranging from Welsh folk songs and hymns, to opera choruses, spirituals and musical numbers. The choir performs in venues throughout Ontario and undertakes tours internationally, from the Cayman Islands in 2003, to the Festival of Male Voices at the Royal Albert Hall in London in 2006. In September 2008 the BWMC toured New England, culminating in a performance at Carnegie Hall, featuring world-renown Welsh Baritone, Bryn Terfel. In 2012 members of the Chorus participated in London Welsh's pre-Olympic concert at the Royal Festival Hall also featuring Bryn Terfel.

June 14. Mississauga Temple Band: Since the 1970's the Mississauga Temple Band has proclaimed the name of Jesus through their music. Whether contributing in worship, marching in a parade, playing in a nursing home, standing by a kettle at Christmas time or playing in a concert hall the band proclaims the gospel. Their repertoire includes secular, Christian and classical music.

June 21. Peter Banting Swingtet: This group plays the happy, buoyant and melodic popular tunes of the mid-twentieth century, the big band music that was so captivating during and after the Second World War, and the ever-popular Broadway Show melodies. Their music is bouncy and lyrical — the stuff you can hum, sing or whistle, such as "C'est Si Bon," and "Fly Me to the Moon." Their music is infectious.

June 28. Ablett and Cooper: For many years, Don and Brent have brought their love of acoustic guitar performance to this, one of their favourite venues. This year, they have a new honour to share. From over 350 world-wide entries their song, Beverly, on their new "Got the Blues" album won Runner Up in the Songs for Social Causes category in the International Songwriting Competition, the world's largest. Ablett and Cooper will leave you humming, tapping your toes and wanting more.

July 5. Liquid Jazz: Featuring Max de Souza Bass/vocals, with special guests Ed Copek Keyboards and Pierre LeGendre Percussion, LJP entertains you with high quality music in a classic style reminiscent of Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett, Nat King Cole and Louis Armstrong. Few musicians, can play this delightful but demanding music, but Liquid Jazz Project hits a subtle balance between tension and relaxation and gets the audience's feet tapping without blasting their ears. Come and enjoy an evening of Classic Great American Songbook Jazz at its best.

July 12. The Octokats: "Fan favorites are returning once again to On The Verandah, but this time with a brand new show! Echoing the beat that was vibrant in the Los Angeles and San Francisco club scene during the 50's, this West Coast Jazz Octet already has 2 CDs under their belt. With fresh new tunes and arrangements from the likes of Marty Paich, Med Flory, Henry Mancini and new vocals from the Sammy Davis Jr. and Mel Torme libraries, prepare to be entertained with a very special evening of Cool Jazz."

July 19. Rob Tardik: An award winning guitarist and recording artist performing contemporary jazz/world instrumental music, Rob was featured on the Top 10 of Billboard's Contemporary Jazz charts. Rob received the 2018 Mississauga Instrumental Artist award. In 2017 he took 1st place in the International Acoustic Music Awards in the best instrumental composition for "Voyageur". He was named Canadian Smooth Jazz Guitarist in 2010. Rob's music can be heard on many jazz radio stations. He performs music from his critically acclaimed CDs across North America. Rob is also an active music educator, clinician for Long and McQuade, guitar faculty member at several colleges in the Toronto area and an active artist for Godin Guitars and D'Addario Canada.

Jul 26. Dixieland Plus: Founded in the 1990's by Ancaster pianist Bill Middleton, this nine piece Burlington band is dedicated to recreating the happy, free-flowing style of music that originated in New Orleans, Louisiana in the early 20th century. Bill died in 2011, but the band continues to commemorate his legacy. Many of the arrangements in the Dixieland Plus library were written by Middleton. Some well-known Dixieland favourites include Bill Bailey, Beale Street Blues and Tin Roof Blues.

Aug 2. Laura Fernandez: Born in Madrid, Spain, Laura is an award winning visual artist (16 published children's books), pianist, singer songwriter and international recording artist. Her first CD The Other Side won an award at the New York International Music Festival, and led to performances at Madison Square Garden and other international festivals including the Toronto Jazz Festival and the World Music Festival in Cuba. Her most recent CD Un Solo Beso celebrates her Spanish roots and Latin influences. Laura is on the Steinway Artist roster joining such artists as Billy Joel, Diana Krall, Harry Connick Jr., Lang Lang, and past music greats, Irving Berlin, Glenn Gould and Sergei Rachmaninoff. Steinway & Sons is selective in naming Steinway Artists, choosing only those who demonstrate a love of Steinway pianos and a standard of excellence in their music. Laura is producer/host of Café Latino on Jazz FM91.

Aug 9. Denise Leslie Jazz Trio: DENISE is a unique jazz vocalist who enjoys pulling various musical influences – from R&B/rock/pop, to the Great American Songbook – into her repertoire and vocal style. A highly proficient vocal improviser, she also possesses a love for the art of syncopation and fluid phrasing. Denise regularly appears with the Mississauga Big Band Jazz Ensemble and has just completed her own recording project "Reminiscing", featuring jazz-infused tunes from the '70's.

Aug 16. Jazz Plazma with Stella Jurgen: This acoustic-style combo is a great favourite with OTV. They play a mix of jazz and modern classics. Jazz Plazma is active in the Toronto-Niagara corridor and constantly experiments with their sound adding new elements to their repertoire.

Featured vocalist Stella Jurgen has performed with Jazz Plazma for this, their sixth consecutive year with OTV. An international entertainer with a light jazzy style, Stella has been a recording artist since childhood, appearing on TV and radio for the Portuguese Community.

Aug 23. 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 16th anniversary of playing OTV. They hope you enjoy their music as much as they enjoy performing these classic songs for you.

Aug 30. Riddim Riders Reggae Band: The Riders are Franklin Joseph on drums & vocals, Carl De Souza bass & vocals, Jonathan Rattos on keys & vocals, Mike Rajczak on lead vocals & percussion. Fans still love the classic songs but Riders are also influenced by renowned artists like Gregory Isaacs, Dennis Brown, Johnny Osborne, and Bob Marley. They continue to focus on delivering a classic reggae sound with both conscious lyrics and "lovers-rock" style vocals. Their tight rhythm section, smooth melodic vocals and spot-on vocal harmonies give their signature sound, along with subtle yet innovative guitar licks that give a more modern sound.

ADMISSION IS BY OPEN COLLECTION

The suggested donation is \$10 per person. A cash only collection is taken at intermission and the amount is shared between the performers and Friends of the Museums of Mississauga. Friends portion is directed to transportation costs for Peel school children to participate in educational programmes at Museum sites.

We appreciate your generous support. As the years go by, more and more schools are taking advantage of the busses we are able to provide. As you enjoy the music in this beautiful setting also enjoy the knowledge that your donations help to provide an important educational experience for many children.

For more information about Friends of the Museums of Mississauga, donating to our events or becoming a member of FOMM please go to:

> FACEBOOK: fb.me/FOMMississauga or Twitter: @FOMMississauga or Web Site: fommississauga.com

In case of inclement weather, or for last minute OTV programme changes please check https://culture.mississauga.ca/calendar

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Outdoor Music Concerts 2019 at BENARES HISTORIC HOUSE JUNE THROUGH AUGUST, FRIDAY EVENING AT 7:00 PM

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR CASH ONLY AT EACH CONCERT. Bring your sing-along voices, insect repellent, blankets and/or lawn chairs.

Sponsored by:









MAPLE SAP TO SYRUP

When you support Friends through membership, volunteering, donations, attending our fundraisers or On the Verandah, you help to provide bussing for hundreds of students to Museum Educational Programs.

One unique, seasonal program, Maple Sap to Syrup, at the Bradley Museum was very well attended in March. The program has a

curriculum connection to K-8: Science & Technology, Social Studies. Students rotate through different stations. They learn how maple syrup is made. Through hands-on activities students discover the magic of maple trees, taste maple treats and make maple crafts.

Bussing support means that more students can learn about our historical, cultural heritage through an outside classroom in a local natural setting.

For a list of the english & french educational programs as well as Guide & Scout programs offered by the Museums please go to the following link:

https://culture.mississauga.ca/content/education











A Brief History of the Bradley Log Cabin

by Joyce Delves

Cabin in the Woods Sketch by Shirley Erskine

THE LOG CABIN was built in the mid-19th Century. In 2002, a group of neighbours and families involved with the 4th Port Credit Scouts which met in an old cabin situated in Port Credit, gathered together to draw attention to the fact that the cabin was slated for demolition. There, being no other viable location in Port Credit to accommodate it, the idea evolved to move the log cabin to the Bradley site.

The Neighbourhood Group made a presentation to Bradley Advisory Board in the fall of 2002 which endorsed the project. Ron Lenyk, of the Mississauga News came on board as Chair of the Fundraising Campaign. The project, was approved by City Council in June 2003 with the understanding that all of the money for this major project would be raised in and by the community. It was a daunting task to raise an estimated \$150,000, but an amazing campaign resulted. Grassroots support ranged from ice cream sales at Green

Glade School, through to Pancake Sales during Maple Magic, photos with Santa and of course our highly successful Starlight and Candlelight Gala. In addition, extensive financial assistance was given by: St. Lawrence Cement, Petro - Canada Lubricants, FRAM Building Group, Pendle Fund at the Community Foundation of Mississauga and Ron Lenyk & Anita Albanese of the Mississauga News. Over \$150,000 in cash was raised plus an equal value of donated goods and services.



A Brief History of the Bradley Log Cabin (cont..)

Moving the Log Cabin, log by carefully labelled log (hemlock), rebuilding, enlarging and bringing it up to the building code requirements was a massive task. This would allow for its future use as a Learning and Teaching Centre, as a meeting place, a display space and as a rental location for small groups. With the help of experts in the field, our Board members were actively involved organizing, encouraging, advising and providing willing hands in this intensive work. The official opening was December 15, 2007.

We are immensely proud of the structure we have today. It is home to an amazing variety of museum related activities.

For more historic information go to: http://www.mississauga.ca/file/COM/Winter_2008_Newsletter.pdf

The archival photos on the right of the re-building of the log cabin were provided by: Stephanie Meeuwse

Collections Supervisor, Museums of Mississauga





40th Anniversary of the Mississauga Train Derailment



This year marks the 40th anniversary of the Mississauga Train Derailment on November 10, 1979.

Were you evacuated during the Mississauga Train Derailment? Do you have a great story to share?

We want to hear from you!

Heritage Mississauga and the Museums of Mississauga are collecting short video oral histories of people's memories of the derailment for use in an upcoming exhibition "Derailed: The Mississauga Miracle, November 10, 1979". We will be scheduling 30 minute sessions throughout the summer, please contact Stephanie Meeuwse for more information and to book an appointment at 905-615-4860 x 2109.

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Merigold's Point was the name given to this part of Clarkson, situated at the foot of Southdown and Lakeshore Roads. Most of this land is now owned by Suncor Energy, but was previously used for farming fruit, vegetables and wheat. The Bradley House, built circa 1830, is the only farmhouse in the area still standing that speaks to this particular history.

The decision to purchase the Mississauga Tract in 1805 led to farming and the development of land originally occupied and inhabited by Indigenous peoples. Decisions to rezone the land as residential made during the 1950s led to the end of farming in Clarkson.

Food for thought:

How do you think that political decisions made now will impact on the future of our communities?



ABOVE
Packing apples at Merigold Farm, now owned by
Suncor Energy. Image Credit: Mississauga Library
System

Photo Credit: Museums of Mississauga



Much of southern Mississauga has a long history of farming apples, strawberries, other soft fruit, vegetables and wheat. In an effort to remind us of our agricultural heritage, over the next few months the Museums of Mississauga will be installing signs at Benares Historic House, the Bradley Museum & Birchwood Park on Clarkson Rd. N.

Each sign will also include an intriguing "Food For Thought" question. A sample of one of the signs is above. In following E-News volumes, we will show you pictures of the signs on-site.

Anchorage Ceramics Plaques

As you enter the Anchorage on your right, you will see ceramic tiles that create scenes of our cultural heritage. The purchase of these tiles by community members and local companies was achieved with fundraising organized to restore the Anchorage during the late 1980's and early 1990's. These tiles remain as an honour roll of these contributions. Make sure you stop and take a look when you visit the Bradley Museum.

The Anchorage is a 19th Century Ontario Regency style house that was moved to the Bradley site in 1978.











SAVE THE DATES:



Engagement at Bradley 2019 -Engagement 1812

October 19 -20, 2019



Haunting at Harding House

Thursday October 24, 2019



Fantastic Beasts Returns to Benares

October 27, 2019

FOR YOUR INFORMATION...

- If you wish to advertise in the FOMM Newsletter, please contact our e-mail for more information and advertising rates.
- Friends would like to thank Snapd South Mississauga for covering our events throughout the year
- Please note, any photos with children used by Friends were taken with their parent's permission

ABOUT FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUMS OF MISSISSAUGA

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An enthusiastic volunteer organization that promotes, strengthens and financially supports the Museums of Mississauga.

MISSION

We support the preservation of our Museum Collections, Programming and Exhibits.

We raise awareness and financial support through events and sponsorship.

We channel charitable grants for the Museum.

For more information & future event dates about the Museums of Mississauga pls visit: https://culture.mississauga.ca/museums



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for information on future interesting fundraising events.

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What do Friends do?

We are an enthusiastic volunteer organization that promotes, strengthens and financially supports the Museums of Mississauga. We fulfill our MISSION to support the preservation of our Museum Collections, Programming and Exhibits; raise awareness and financial support through events and sponsorship and channel charitable grants for the Museum. Our efforts seek to ensure the integrity of the Museums" in these activities:

- Sponsor and volunteer at Museum events e.g. Maple Magic
- 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 Fund-Raising activities e.g. Gala, Garden Party, Receptions
- 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
- 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!

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