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News from Friends

After two years as Chair for Friends of the Museums, Joe Zammit is passing the torch on to June Newhouse and Wanda Hall to jointly Chair the board. We would like to thank Joe for being Chair for the past two years.

Our board members put in a great deal of time and effort to help support the museums. On September 26, many board members attended the opening of “Out of the Vault”, in the Anchorage, at the Bradley Museum. We greeted visitors outside at a table. It was a wonderful evening and a chance to view 50 rarely seen artifacts from the History Hunt and the museum collection.

We truly appreciate our generous sponsors. More students will visit the museums because of you.

Thank you to all the On the Verandah performers both this year and in the past years. You are all so talented.

To all the museum staff who contribute to our E- News, organize all the amazing events as well as each intriguing exhibit thank you. Lindsay, Tammie and Kira thank you for your help throughout the entire On the Verandah season. Your on going support of Friends is always appreciated.

Photo credit Stephanie: From left to right Rosemarie, Wanda, Liz and June

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OTV - That's a Wrap!

This was a summer of challenging weather for On the Verandah 2024. Two concerts were cancelled due to rain and the band for our final concert of the season, Riddim Riders, played through the rain, but we unfortunately had to end the concert at intermission (kudos to the band and to those who came out to enjoy the music in spite of the rain. See photo above).

We had a great line up of performers this year. Many OTV favourites returned to offer up their talents to support our fundraising goals once again this year. We also introduced a new band, Subourbon Street, this year. They were a real hit with the crowd.

Thank-you to our 2024 sponsors:



Nataliia, our volunteer, greeted attendees and handed out the programs that were generously printed for us by AshGrove.

She also took videos and pictures of each event, many are posted on our [Facebook](#) page - be sure to check them out if you haven't already. Thank you Nataliia!

A big thanks to Tammie & Kira, museum interpreters, who assisted each evening. They were there long before and long after each concert. Their help was indispensable. They do a lot of work, without a lot of fanfare.

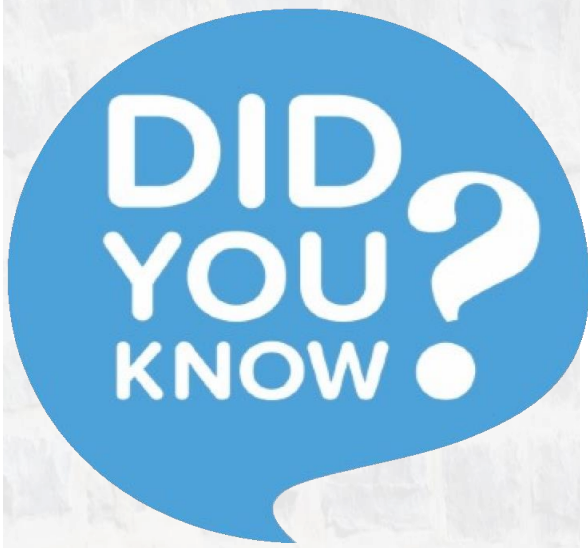
We are so grateful, as always, for the generosity of attendees, our sponsors, the performers (Mississauga Pops donated their share back to Friends), and our members. Thank you again. Your support helps us raise the funds necessary to assist the museum educational programs.

OTV - That's a Wrap!

And last, but certainly not least, thank you Joyce for organizing On the Verandah again this year. Joyce has made an incredible contribution to On the Verandah for 12 years. Joyce will be stepping back from organizing the concerts in 2025 but we are sure you will see her out at most of the concerts. Thank you to Liz Durdan for taking over the organization of On the Verandah.

If you didn't make it out this year to catch a concert, then check them out on our Facebook page, and remember, there's always next year!





We recently received several great contemporary donations that help us to preserve and share great Mississauga stories.

Dorothea Sheasby (1931-2023) was a lifetime activist and advocate for social justice, human rights, disarmament, peace, UN reform, and clean, safe energy. In 1980 she founded the first Amnesty International group at the Applewood United Church. In 1997 she became the Registrar of World Citizens in Canada, taking over for her close friend Helen Tucker, a fellow activist for peace. Sheasby continued Helen's work to reform the UN and to establish a citizen's assembly so people could speak out against conflicts in the world. One of her lasting gifts to Mississauga is the Peace Stone in Richard's Memorial Park which she fought to establish. The stone was unveiled on International Peace Day, Sept. 21, 2009. Among the items donated was Sheasby's "Peace Hat". She wore the hat to many events around the world including the 30th anniversary of the Association of World Citizens at the University of San Francisco in 2005. While walking across the Golden Gate Bridge, a gust of wind swept the hat off her head and over the side. Luckily, she wrote her name and number inside, and an artist found it near where he was painting and arranged to return it. We are so glad he did so it can be preserved in our collection.



Another interesting addition to the collection is one of the first pickleball racquets made by John Hoyt who introduced the sport in Ontario. Hoyt, a Mississauga resident, gave the racquet to Gerry Infeld, a tennis enthusiast, who embraced the game. Infeld became the president of the Pickleball Mississauga Association and competed in many competitions including the 55+ Ontario Senior Games (2012) where he won gold with his partner, Donna Pounder. Now known as "Pickleball Gerry" he continues to play today.

If you have an item that reflects a unique aspect of Mississauga's history, please consider donating. You can submit a donation request [form](#) or contact the Collections Team at 905-615-4860 x 2109.

Stephanie Meeuwse
Collections Supervisor, Museums of Mississauga



Friends of the Museums of Mississauga are very grateful for the financial support from the Mississauga Foundation: Hazel McCallion Arts, Culture and Heritage Grant for an Augmented Reality (AR) Scavenger Hunt at the Bradley Museum during October.

Visitors were able to explore the beautiful grounds of Bradley Museum through a self-led, interactive tour for the whole family. Guests used their smartphone or tablet to scan QR codes located at six different stations to unlock unique AR content and stories about traditions & celebrations from around the world during the autumn season. There were prizes for completing the scavenger hunt as well.



Halloween Harvest took place October 26th and 27th with close to 600 guests. Friends greeted visitors at reception inside the Anchorage. The festival activities, in addition to the AR Scavenger Hunt included:

- Heritage demonstrations in the Bradley House: spinning, dyes
- Traditional Indigenous harvest foods by Mark Sault, and family, of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation at the fire pit. Food samples included moose, deer, fish, paw paw bread, and a variety of teas – cedar, spruce, and Labrador.
- Games, crafts, face painting and live music by Wilson and the Csst Always
- A vendor craft market in the Log Cabin
- Samples of fresh baked bread with jams and spreads made from our garden and warm apple cider.
- A selection of very creative and cute costumes.

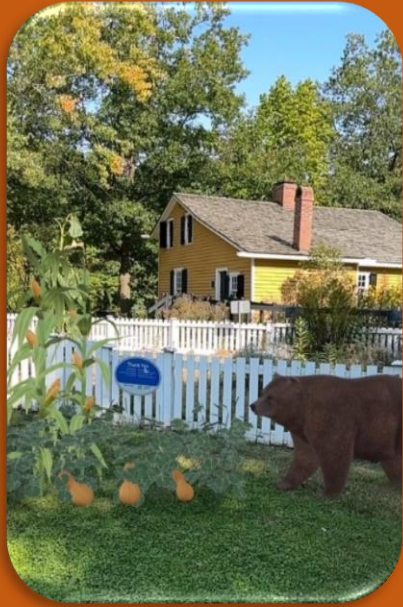
Thank you to the wonderful museum staff that made this event a success. They were supported by a terrific group of student volunteers.

For additional photos please visit us on [Facebook](#)



Halloween Harvest

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Photos from the Augmented Reality scavenger hunt

Photo with bear: AR shows an image of a bear in the heritage kitchen garden by the corn, beans, and squash, which the Haudennosunee refer to as the “Three sisters”

Photo of lanterns: AR shows lanterns outside of the Anchorage to acknowledge one of the most important festivals in Chinese culture in mid-Autumn known as the Moon Festival or Mooncake Festival. Lanterns are carried and displayed as symbols to light people’s path to prosperity.

MUSEUMS

Halloween Harvest Festival

Park Your Pumpkin

November 1 Bradley Museum

Park Your Pumpkin returned to the Bradley Museum November 1st. The path was lined with lit pumpkins and then they were recycled. Attendees received free hot apple cider and popcorn popped over the fire.



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Museums Events Fall 2024

Out of the Vault Exhibit Bradley Museum, Anchorage Galleries

September 26 – December 15, 2024

The artifacts used for the History Hunt have now been taken “out of the vault” and are on display at Bradley Museum until December 15, 2024. Artifacts like the admiral television cabinet from 1955, the girl guide uniform that belonged to Carol Cline Brayman, and Rik Emmett’s Guitar can now be seen in person!



Figure 1 Admiral Television Cabinet, 1955. This Admiral Television cabinet also includes a record player and radio and was purchased by the Denison family of Lorne Park in the late 1950s.

There are also a few interactives that can be explored. One involves voting on your favourite photograph! To celebrate the City of Mississauga’s 50th anniversary, Mississauga Library presented “Snapshots of Mississauga,” a photography contest that invited residents aged 12-24 to capture photographs of their favourite places in the city. The 10 finalist images are now on display at the Bradley Museum “Out of the Vault” 50th anniversary exhibition.

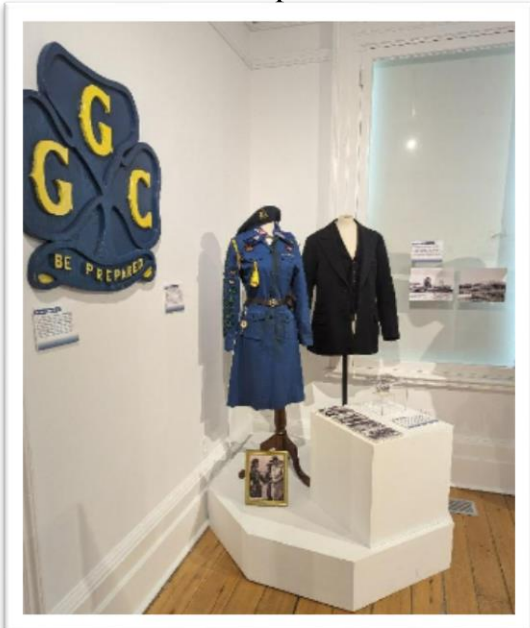


Figure 2 Girl Guide Uniform, 1959. This uniform belonged to Carol Cline Brayman who was part of the first Clarkson Unit from 1958-1965.

Make plans to visit the exhibition and explore the hidden stories behind each of these unique artifacts, offering a special glimpse into Mississauga’s rich heritage. Don’t forget, the History Hunt is still ongoing! Find the markers and then come to Bradley Museum to see the actual artifacts in person!

By Amanda Barbosa MMSt

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Figure 3 Rik Emmett's Guitar, 1988. This guitar belonged to Rik Emmett and is signed by Rik and bandmates, Mike Levine and Gil Moore.

Photos with Santa



Photos with Santa return to Bradley!

November 29th and 30th 2024

This traditional event is to support a great cause as the proceeds will go towards supporting educational programmes at the Museums of Mississauga.

Our professional photographer will take a great photo. Santa will listen to your Christmas wish list.

Tickets will go on sale in Eventbrite on Nov 1st 2024. We sold out last year, so be sure to get your ticket early!

Family Photos With Santa

Date: Friday, Nov 29th, 2024

Time: 3pm – 7 pm

Location: The Bradley Museums Log Cabin, 1620 Orr Rd. Mississauga

Cost: \$15 per photo



Book your session on [Eventbrite](#) starting November 1st.

Santa will have a twinkle in his eye! Loot bags will be available from PetValu Clarkson Crossing while supplies last.

Paws 'N Mr. Claus

Date: Saturday, Nov 30th, 2023

Time: 11 am – 3 pm

Location: The Bradley Museums Log Cabin, 1620 Orr Rd. Mississauga

Cost: \$15 per photo

Part of the proceeds from our photo sales will be shared between Friends of the Museums of Mississauga and Mississauga Animal Services Special Care & Resource Fund (S.C.A,R,F)

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Notes:

* We will try to accommodate drop-ins but reserved & paid Eventbrite spots will take priority.

*You can purchase a duplicate print of your photo on-site for \$5. Sorry cash only.



Save the Date!



Maple Magic at the Bradley Museum

Mark your calendars. The Maple Magic Festival will return to the Bradley in 2025.

Saturday March 8th & Sunday March 9th

Saturday March 15th & Sunday March 16th
March 17th



Maple Magic



ABOUT FRIENDS OF THE MUSEUMS OF MISSISSAUGA VISION

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 visit: <https://culture.mississauga.ca/museum>



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Please consider becoming a member of FOMM, volunteering, attending one of our events, becoming a sponsor or donating through Canada Helps.

REMINDER: it is time to kindly renew your annual membership

*Stay
Tuned*

for information on future
interesting fundraising
events.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

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, je form and make your donation!

Friends of the Museums of Mississauga Annual Membership

Individual (\$10) Family/ Business (\$30)

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Name: _____

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