

TO: Members of the Museum & Archives Advisory Committee

FROM: Susan Neale, Museum Director

MEETING DATE: November 10, 2011

SUBJECT: Report MAAC11-014

Peterborough Museum & Archives' Report on Activities

PURPOSE

A report to advise Committee on the monthly activities of the Peterborough Museum & Archives.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Museum & Archives Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report MAAC11-014, dated November 10, 2011, of the Museum Director, as follows:

That the Museum Director's report with respect to the monthly activities of the Peterborough Museum & Archives for September and October, 2011 be received for information.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

BACKGROUND

The following includes a point form summary of the main activities of the Peterborough Museum & Archives during the past two months and notes upcoming events:

- Welcomed Fleming College Museum Management and Curatorship program,
 Sept. 7; supporting applied projects throughout semester as requested.
- MUSE Film Series, commenced Sept. 11.
- Snofest committee meetings, Sept. 14, 28; Oct.12, 26.
- "Behind the Scenes" tour for Mayor and Mayor's Office personnel, Sept. 14.
- Attended Toronto International Film Festival Circuit Group screenings, in preparation for 2012 MUSE Film Series, Sept. 16-17.
- Tourism Advisory Committee, Oct. 11.
- Museum Assistance Program Exhibition Circulation Fund, successful application, \$14,800 for "Canada's Waterscapes".
- Education Program brochure developed for "permanent" offerings.
- Education programs developed for temporary exhibition "Arts of China" (Appendices A, B) nearly fully booked!
- Digital exhibition of Book of Remembrance on screen in PMA foyer and City Hall foyer, as of Nov. 2.
- "Noble Experiment" in Elliot Lake; "Voices of the Town" in Timmons, then Dryden, ON.
- Corporate projects underway: "Vacant Storefronts and Balsillie Collection Images", Hunter Street Bridge Interpretive Panels, Risk Management Committee, United Way Campaign.

Special Announcements:

Prince of Wales Prize for Municipal Heritage Leadership

The Heritage Canada Foundation awarded the **City of Peterborough** its most prestigious award, the Prince of Wales Prize for Municipal Heritage Leadership. The prize is awarded annually to the government of a municipality that has demonstrated a strong and sustained commitment to the conservation of its historic places.

Ontario Museum Association: Corporate Service Award of Excellence

The Ontario Museum Association awarded the Corporate Service Award of Excellence to the Corporation of the City of Peterborough in recognition of the outstanding corporate contribution to the Ontario museum community by the Peterborough Museum & Archives for its partnership with the Arts and Heritage Programs of Fleming College.

Upcoming events:

Current Exhibition:

"The Arts of China", on loan from the Royal Ontario Museum; closes January 6, 2012.

MUSE Film Festival (Fall series):

www.peterboroughmuseumandarchives.ca

Winter/Spring season passes on sale Thursday, December 8, 9 am.

"Warm Up to Your Museum!":

New initiative! Drop-in programs for families, Sunday afternoons (1-4 pm), throughout "The Arts of China" exhibition; admission by donation.

Book Signing:

"Space Tourism" by Peter McMahon, Sunday, November 20, 1-4 pm.

Volunteer Appreciation Event

"Festive Gathering", Tuesday, December 6, 4-6 pm.

Submitted by,

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Appendix A: PMA Arts of China, Grade 2 Appendix B: PMA Arts of China, Grade 5