

To: Members of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Advisory Committee

From: Karen Rennie, Manager of Arts, Culture and Heritage Division

Meeting Date: June 13th, 2019

Subject: Report ACHAC19-018

**Arts, Culture and Heritage Division Report** 

## **Purpose**

A report to advise the Arts Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee (ACHAC) on the monthly activities of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Division for May 2019.

### Recommendation

That the ACHAC approve the recommendation outlined in Report ACHAC19-018, dated June 13, 2019 of the Manager of the Arts, Culture and Heritage Division, as follows:

That the report with respect to the activities of the Arts, Culture & Heritage Division for May 2019 be received for Information.

# **Budget and Financial Implications**

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

# **Background**

The Arts Culture & Heritage Division coordinates the development and provision of arts, culture and heritage activities, facilities, services and resources. Upcoming activities are highlighted below.

### **Art Gallery of Peterborough**

Flock Together: Drop-in Workshops in June

Sundays: June 9, 16, 23 Drop in, 1 – 4 pm. Free.

Join us in the Studio this June to create spectacular puppets inspired by birds with artists Laurel Paluck and William Kingfisher. Our flying creations will take flight on July 1st during the Multicultural Canada Day Festival, hosted by the New Canadians Centre. Drop in to one or more of the workshops on Sunday afternoons in June, and bring your feathered creations to Del Crary Park on July 1. Meet us at the AGP tent, where we will float, fly, and dance our puppets through the festival. Everyone is welcome!

Exhibit continues until June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 David Campion and Sandra Shields Produced and circulated by The Reach Gallery Museum Abbotsford Curated by Laura Schneider

Grand Theft Terra Firma tackles settler responsibility head-on. David Campion and Sandra Shields disrupt the celebratory mythology of nation building by reframing the settlement of Canada as a complex heist masterminded by criminals in London and played out on the ground by a gang of greedy thieves. Combining photography and installation, and developed in collaboration with many partners from Stó:lō community, *Grand Theft* blends popular culture with original source material to consider Canada's colonial history within the particularities of local experiences in S'olh Temexw, now more commonly known as BC's Fraser Valley.

The project employs an "unsettling" strategy to explore Canada's difficult past and our inheritance of its injustices. Blending fictional characters with elements drawn from historical record, the artists create a space where audiences are asked to consider their own relationship to destructive colonial practices. The exhibition supports discussion around emergent notions of personal awareness and responsibility in the process of decolonization, underscoring the possibility for art to participate in the critical discourse on social reconciliation in divided societies.

## **Peterborough Museum and Archives**

Museum Late at the Peterborough Museum and Archives June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 6:00 to 9:00 pm

This event provides a great opportunity to have a last look at "Ice Age Mammals" exhibit before part of it returns to Canadian Museum of Nature on June 25<sup>th</sup>. This event will be eco-friendly and feature locally grown and organic food from both the Peterborough Downtown Farmers Market and the Lakefield Farmers Market. Cash bar featuring

themed cocktails from East City's Own, Black Distillery. Entertainment includes trivia, games and a craft makers market. Tickets are \$15 per adult and \$10 per child and can be purchased at the Museum.

#### A (musical) Midsummer Night's Dream

Sunday, August 4, 2019 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Location: Peterborough Museum and Archives

This summer join Driftwood Theatre at the Peterborough Museum & Archives' Heritage Pavilion for theatre under the stars as we celebrate the 25th season of the Bard's Bus Tour with William Shakespeare's most magical, musical comedy A Midsummer Night's Dream.

Shakespeare's most popular comedy, A Midsummer Night's Dream is the perfect outdoor summer theatre experience for the entire family.

Four lovers and one group of hapless tradespeople experience a chaos-filled night in the forest as they stumble across the mischievous Puck and the magical denizens of the faery kingdom.

"It's about community, companionship and love," remarks Driftwood Artistic Director Jeremy Smith. "*Dream* reminds us of the importance of putting down our devices, stepping away from our screens, and making the kind of tangible connections which encourage empathy, understanding and respect."

Using Shakespeare's text, *A* (musical) Midsummer Night's Dream is a rocking, rolling funktastic, jazz-infused musical celebration of theatrical proportions; with everything performed live and entirely A Cappella. Originally created in 2004 and performed again in 2012, *A* (musical) Midsummer Night's Dream reunites composers Kevin Fox (The Swingle Singers, Cadence) and Tom Lillington (Nathaniel Dett Chorale, Hampton Avenue) with director Jeremy Smith.

Admission: pay-what-you-can (a suggested donation of \$20-\$30 per person) Bring your own seats: since this is an outdoor theatre performance, all visitors are encouraged to bring their own seating (lawn chairs, blankets, etc.) For more information: call 844-601-8057 (toll free) or visit

www.driftwoodtheatre.com/see/bardsbustour

## **Peterborough Public Library**

#### **DIG It! Drop In Genealogy**

Wednesday, June 12, 2019 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 19, 2019 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 26, 2019 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Address: Main Library

Drop by and dig into your family history with members from the Kawartha Branch Ontario Genealogical Society (KBOGS). Experienced researchers can guide you to information in our newly combined local history and genealogy collection as well as to online tools and resources.

#### Father's / Parents & Guardians Day Story Time

Saturday, June 15, 2019 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

#### **Twilight Tales in the Park**

Thursday, June 20, 2019 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Location: Millennium Park (behind the Silver Bean)

Bring your family and join the Peterborough Public Library for stories, rhymes and songs at Millennium Park! All ages welcome. Program will be held at the library in Story Corner if weather is unsuitable.

Submitted by,

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