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Dance, Play, and Sleepover in another time at the Royal BC Museum

Victoria, **BC** – The Royal BC Museum family sleepover is perfect for any kid (or parent) who has wondered what secrets the museum reveals once everybody else has gone home. On Friday, Nov. 15 through Saturday, Nov. 16, 2013 bring out your sleeping bag and spend a *Night at the Museum: Old Town* to experience it as never before.

This after-hours family adventure will treat guests to a dance party in the forest diorama, a midnight tour into the depths of the museum, a late night Victorian story telling in Helmcken House, a cinematic family dress-up experience, a special IMAX screening, and a magic lantern show.

Families can choose their sleeping spot in different areas of the Modern History gallery. Set up your sleeping bag next to HMS *Discovery* and dream about stowing away on the next voyage. Wake up in the lush Old Town hotel, or with the call of an incoming train at the station. Then limber up with morning yoga in the First Peoples gallery and enjoy a tasty pancake breakfast. Participants may also choose to spend the rest of their Saturday visiting other areas of the museum.

The night gets started at 6:30 p.m. on Friday Nov. 15. Tickets are \$75 per person, available online or at the Royal BC Museum box office. Members receive a 10% discount. *Night at the Museum: Old Town* is a family event for kids aged six to sixteen with their parents or guardians. Space is limited and tickets for this event sell out quickly.

For more event details, contact Chris O'Connor, Sleepover Organizer, at 250-387-2163 or <u>coconnor@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca</u>

About the Royal BC Museum

As the provincial museum and archives, the Royal BC Museum explores the province's human history and natural history, advances new knowledge and understanding of BC, and provides a dynamic forum for discussion and a place for reflection. Through collections, research, presentations and partnerships, the museum and archives tell the stories of BC in ways that enlighten, stimulate and inspire. Its two-hectare cultural precinct in Victoria includes a number of historically significant buildings and First Nations sites.

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Other events at the Royal BC Museum:

Wonder Sunday: Canoes

November 24, 2013, 1 to 3 p.m.

Free with admission or membership

For this month we *wonder* about the role of canoes past and present in British Columbia. Join us as we travel through the known and unknown tributaries of this fascinating history. Wonder Sunday is an interactive, learning-based special event that happens from 1-3 p.m. on the last Sunday of every month (excluding December, July and August).

Father Christmas Comes to the Royal BC Museum

Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays in December until December 22, 2013, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Free with admission or membership

Can you imagine a more magical place to visit with Father Christmas than the decorated street of Old Town? Share your holiday wishes and have your photo taken to preserve this special moment.

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