

Fall/Winter Program Guide
September 2017 – March 2018



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Learning is at the Heart of our Mission.

We engage and inspire learners of all ages through programs and activities like the ones you see on the following pages. We are creating a new Learning Centre—a dynamic and engaging space for everyone in BC. And we need your support to make it a reality. A 21st century Learning Centre, at the heart of the Museum and Archives, enables us to harness the power of technology to bring our vast collections and staff expertise to every corner of province. Join us in imagining the possibilities. For more information or to donate, please contact our development team at 250-387-7222 or donate@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca





Night at the Museum Sleepover

Our annual Night at the Museum is a big old family sleepover. Come spend the night with us as we camp, tell stories, watch home movies, play board games and even have a pillow fight or two (he started it!) This fun and playful event will make for your most memorable museum visit ever.

September 30
6:00 pm – 9:30 am
\$80 per person
10% member discount

Artsy Fartsy: A Youth-Centred Day of Place Making and Design Thinking

This drop-in creative youth space, presented in conjunction with **Rethinking Thinking** and the Summit at the Bay, is for dreaming, designing, debating and discovering. What kinds of spaces do you find best to learn, hang out or create in? How can you prototype your ideas in order to best put them into practice? Magicians, musicians and poets will be performing

throughout the day to inspire youth to think outside the box and put their ideas into action.

October 7
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Free

Wonder Sunday

See, Think, Activate!

Join us in the galleries for some fun learning.

**Every Sunday from
September to May**

Included with admission
or membership

Canada C3: Coast to Coast to Coast

Participants in the **C3** project will join us on October 29th. Throughout October, we'll explore some of their scientific findings and incorporate their environmental research with hands-on learning. October 29th will also be our annual Halloween-themed Wonder Sunday.

October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
1:00–3:00 pm

Micro-organisms

Sometimes the smallest creatures can have the biggest impact. Dive into the world of teeny tiny plankton and other micro-organisms to learn how their existence is crucial to our own lives and the lives of other land and marine animals.

November 5, 12, 19, 26
1:00–3:00 pm

World Celebrations

Who doesn't like celebrating? Let's learn about the different events celebrated by people from all over the world, from birthdays to festivals. Come share your holiday stories and traditions!

LEARNING PORTAL

Discover BC through the lens of the museum's extensive collections, research and partnerships, all in one place. The Learning Portal is a dynamic and intuitive online resource designed to engage students in



many different ways. Featuring spectacular audio and video content, fascinating images and compelling articles, the Learning Portal encourages imagination, engagement and curiosity.

Follow your curiosity now >

December 3, 10, 17
1:00–3:00 pm

Local Land

Victoria is situated in Lekwungen territory, and many of us are visitors to this land. Come visit the museum to learn more about our city's surroundings and make connections with the *First Peoples* gallery and *Our Living Languages* exhibition.

January 7, 14, 21, 28
1:00–3:00 pm

Animals of Culture

The Year of the Dog will start in February, and to celebrate the Chinese New Year, we'll explore the museum's Chinatown, make paper lanterns and

learn more about the animals of the Chinese zodiac.

February 4, 11, 18, 25
1:00–3:00 pm

Animals of Nature

Vancouver Island is blessed with wonderfully diverse fauna. But did you know that some local animals are actually invasive? Discover which animals are native to our island and which come from somewhere else, and learn what we can do to help our environment.

March 4, 11, 18, 25
1:00–3:00 pm

Ancient Civilizations

Come learn about ancient civilizations such as the Ancient Egyptians and the Sumerians,

SIGN UP FOR KIDS' CLUB TODAY!

NOT PART
OF THE
CLUB?

Kids club is included with membership. This program introduces children to the museum and archives.

Sign up at the box office and receive

- Your own membership card (ages six and up)
- Unlimited admission to the core galleries and feature exhibitions
- Kids' Club activities, just for members
- Club Card to collect stamps and earn cool prizes
- Kids' Club e-newsletter subscription
- 10 per cent discount on events and programs, including camps

BECOME A MEMBER TODAY

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*Must be a Royal BC Museum Youth Member to join (6–18 years old).
Email address required for event and activity notifications. Kids' Club
included with paid membership.

Kids' Club



ROYAL BC MUSEUM



from their written languages to their fascinating art. You'll also uncover the ancient practice of mummification in a hands-on, messy kind of way.

April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
1:00–3:00 pm

Local Finds

Archaeologists play an important role in our society, assembling bits and pieces of historical evidence to create a big picture of the past. Take part in archaeological practices and learn about artifacts found right here in Victoria.

May 6, 13, 20, 27
1:00–3:00 pm

Kids' Club

Join us at the first Wonder Sunday of each month for a special behind-the-scenes tour just for Kids' Club members. Then join us and other families for Wonder Sunday. Each month offers a new theme and topics to explore.

**First Sunday of the month
from September to May**
Included with membership

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Kids' Club is included with Royal
BC Museum membership
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CAMPS



Spring Break Camps

Focus on Nature

Aspiring shutterbugs can develop their skills by participating in this photography-inspired camp. Campers will learn about photo composition and storytelling, venture to Beacon Hill Park to capture dynamic nature shots and explore the Royal BC Museum's natural history collection, as well as the *Wildlife Photographer of the Year* exhibition.

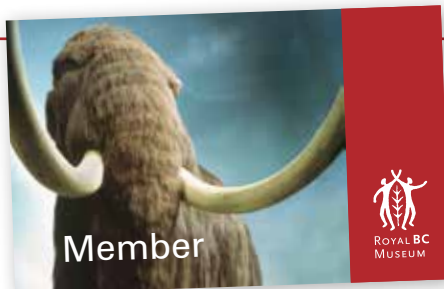
March 19–23 and 26–30

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

\$280 per person

Ages 7–11

After-camp care available



Members get all the perks!

Royal BC Museum members receive 10% off camps! To learn more about member benefits, visit our membership page.

[Join today >](#)

ADULT PROGRAMS



Performance as Medicine: Indigenous Performance Art Symposium

Performance as Medicine is a one-day interdisciplinary and intergenerational symposium that will seek to present and explore Indigenous philosophies and contemporary expressive forms. The program was developed by Iroquois Mohawk artist Lindsay Delaronde, who is currently the Indigenous

Artist in Residence with the City of Victoria.

This is a City of Victoria initiative, presented in collaboration with the Royal BC Museum.

Workshops

October 14

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

\$40 per person;
registration required

Performance and panel discussion

October 14

3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Free

Night Shift

Join us for a museum-wide party with music, performances and adult-only activities.

Night Shift: Dark Circus

This Halloween, join us with the circus for a night of adult-only after-party. Night Shift: Dark Circus will be an evening like no other. Surrender to your sinister side and follow the ringmaster into a mesmerizing night of aerial artists, fortune telling, live music and more in Victoria's original cabinet of curiosities.

SOLD OUT



Explore the themed galleries and enjoy nibbles and delectable drinks at multiple cash bars.

October 28

8:00 pm – 12:00 am

\$35 per person

19+ | Two pieces of ID required for entry

Night Shift: Wild Romance

Romance is in the air, but you don't need to be attached to explore the allure of instinct, passion and love. Stay tuned for more information.

February 10

8:00 pm – 12:00 am

\$35 per person

19+ | Two pieces of ID required for entry

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Museum Happy Hour

Drink, eat, meet and explore.

Our format for November is inspired by pub quizzes.

Each quiz night will combine general museum trivia and a focus on one of our collection areas, and there will be a prize for the winning team.

\$10 per person

19+ | Two pieces of ID required for entry

Drinks and light fare available for purchase. Maximum team size is eight people.

Please note that these events are limited to designated galleries and are not museum-wide.

Natural History Pub Quiz
November 9 | 5:15–7:00 pm
Natural History gallery

Archives Pub Quiz
November 16 | 5:15–7:00 pm
Becoming BC gallery

Sound and Music Pub Quiz
November 23 | 5:15–7:00 pm
Old Town

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It's Complicated: A Discussion Series

Whether it's your biological family or family of choice, family matters aren't always easy or straightforward.

This participatory discussion series tackles perspectives and definitions, upending assumptions to help us better understand ourselves and our family roles. An intriguing mix of facilitators will get the conversation started, but where it goes from there is up to you.

By donation
Newcombe Conference Hall

Tent City
In 2015 and 2016, a tent city on

the grounds of the provincial court house in Victoria highlighted the need for safe and accessible housing and shelter for the city's most vulnerable. How can we understand tent cities in BC through the lens of family and community?

September 20 | 5:15–7:00 pm

New Immigrants

For new immigrants to the city, family dynamics can be complicated. Whether people have left family behind or brought them along, in a new cultural and social landscape, connection is vital. How are new immigrants coping with this in Victoria, and how can the larger community better support the process?

October 18 | 5:15–7:00 pm

Celebrating Excellence in Science Journalism and Communication

Science Writers and Communicators of Canada and the Royal BC Museum join forces to bring you a dynamic evening discovering the myriad ways to effectively communicate the relevance of science. From the

powerful written language in a book or text panel in a museum to multimedia exhibitions, how the concepts of science are crafted makes all the difference in making an authentic and meaningful impact to an audience. The evening will feature local innovators in science communication plus an award presentation to Mark Leiren-Young for his book *The Killer Whale Who Changed the World*.

September 22

7:00–9:00 pm

By donation
Newcombe Conference Hall

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SCIENCE
LITERACY
WEEK



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Curious Collections: A Seniors On- Site Program

Discuss, share and learn using objects from the Royal BC Museum's education collection during a private, facilitated one-hour hands-on session. This program is for groups and should be booked with at least two weeks' advance notice.

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by contacting our booking office
at [rbcgroups](mailto:rbcgroups@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca)
[@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca](mailto:rbcgroups@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca)

Team-Building Workshop

Bring your team to the museum
for a three-hour team-building
workshop. Your group will go
behind the scenes then up to a
gallery before working in small
groups to create your own

mini-displays. This workshop
will challenge your creativity,
communication and team spirit.

\$1,000 per group
Maximum 20 participants

Group programs can be booked
by contacting our booking office
at [rbcgroups](mailto:rbcgroups@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca)
[@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca](mailto:rbcgroups@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca)

Researching Family History: Introduction to Genealogy

Whether you are just starting
to research your family history
or looking for a refresher

on what resources exist,
this workshop will give you
tips, tricks and guidance on
genealogical research. This
workshop is presented in
partnership with the Victoria
Genealogical Society.

October

Maximum 30 participants
Victoria Genealogical
Society event space



ALL AGES



Fieldtrippers

Join us for themed outdoor field trips led by museum staff and community collaborators.

Wear suitable footwear and be prepared for rain.

Archaeology Walk

Join Dr. Genevieve Hill, archaeology collections manager, for this walk and talk about the archaeology of the Nature Conservancy of Canada's Cowichan Garry Oak Preserve.

October 14 | 1:00–3:00 pm

By donation

Suggested \$5 per person

Cowichan Garry Oak Preserve

Have We Got a Story to Tell: Stories from This Land and its People

Our popular storytelling series continues, presenting stories about this land we live on told in its own indigenous languages. Tales passed down through thousands years, current stories and open-hearted sharing from local indigenous storytellers of all ages. The stories will be told in their original languages such as: *lək'wəjɪnəŋ* (the language of the land of Greater Victoria), *SENĆOŦEN* (from the peninsula), *Hul'q'umi'num'* (Cowichan area and some Gulf Islands) and

more. *Həlítxʷ cə lək'wəjɪnəŋ* means 'bringing *lək'wəjɪnəŋ* language back to life' and that's what we hope to contribute a small piece to with this event.

November 8 | 7:00–9:00 pm
\$12 per person

Lest We Forget: Remembrance Commemorations

Look for performance-based presentations by musicians, singers and storytellers. Stay tuned for more information and a final schedule.

All commemorative events are supported by Veterans

Affairs Canada Community
Engagement Fund.

November 11
12:00–3:00 pm

Included with admission
or membership

11th Annual Carol-Along with the Carillon

Gather under the Netherlands
Centennial Carillon with
your fellow singers, family,
friends and pooch. Provincial
Carillonneur Rosemary Laing will
accompany the choir below in a
one of a kind carolling party. Hot
chocolate and cookies help to
make the season bright and at
the end of the 45 minute set, the
carillon is lit up for the holidays.

December 3 | 4:30–5:15 pm
By donation

Father Christmas in Old Town

Visit with Father Christmas in
Old Town, have your photo taken
and share your holiday wishes.

December 1–3
11:00 am–2:00 pm
December 8–10
11:00 am–2:00 pm

December 15–17
11:00 am–2:00 pm

Included with admission
or membership
Photos by donation

Christmas in Old Town

Take in the sights and sounds
of Christmas long ago. Marvel
at the 4.5 metre Christmas
tree, visit the wood-cobbled
streets lined with festive
garlands and see the shops
decked in seasonal finery.

November 11 – January 9
Included with admission
or membership

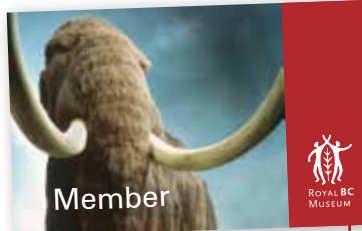
Fashion Machine 100

Fashion Machine 100 is a live
performance event by Theatre
SKAM that features 100 local
children and youth remaking
select audience members’
outfits in less than one hour.

The show is part installation,
part performance and all fun.

December 15, 16, 17
7:00–9:00 pm

\$10 per person, \$30 per family*
*up to 2 adults and 3
youth (6–18 years)



Members get all the perks!

A family membership gives
you the ultimate value,
with unlimited admission
to our core galleries and
feature exhibitions. You’ll
also receive 10% off events
and programs that your
family won’t want to miss!

[Join today >](#)



Helmcken House Old-Fashioned Christmas

Step through the doors of the oldest house in British Columbia still on its original site and experience what Christmas would have been like in Victoria over one hundred years ago. Decorations, music and first-hand accounts will take you back to Christmas past.

December 17–31

12:00–4:00 pm

Included with admission
or by donation

Early Shift: Going Wildly into the New Year

On the last day of 2017, join us in our *Wildlife Photographer of the Year* exhibition and *Natural History* gallery for a party fit for the king of beasts. Our annual family-oriented party takes a wild turn, as the museum plays host to animal antics, musical mischief and forest frolicks.

December 31 | 6:00–8:30 pm

\$24 per adult, \$16 per youth.

10% member discount

Kids five and under are free

Letter-Writing Week

The New Year is a great time to make a resolution to slow down, and what better way to do so than to put away your smart phone, sit down and write a letter at our letter-writing booth? We provide the paper, the pens, the envelopes and even the stamps. Who knows, the letter you write could one day be part of our archives!

January 2–7

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Included with admission
or membership

Family Day

Join us for photography-related activities for the whole family, in the *Wildlife Photographer of the Year* exhibition.

February 12 | 1:00–3:00pm

Included with admission
or membership



It's hungry work discovering our province's past!
Visit the Royal BC Museum's back courtyard to enjoy some of Victoria's tastiest grub from local food trucks including DeadBeetz, Rolling Reef, Puerto Vallarta Amigos, The Love Perogy and Yummy Truck, plus beer and wine from Truffles Catering.

[Learn more >](#)



Live @ Lunch

Find out what's happening at the museum and archives in these monthly talks featuring curators, staff and researchers.

First Wednesday of each month

By donation
Newcombe Conference Hall

Legacy of Terry Fox

The third Sunday of September is the annual Terry Fox Run. Join Bill Vigers, who was with Terry Fox during his historic run, for his memories from those days.

September 6 | 12:00–1:00 pm

Prohibition in British Columbia: How the Prohibitionists Won the Battle but Lost the War

Prohibition came into effect in BC on October 1, 1917, making BC the last Canadian province

to enact prohibition and the first to end it. The story of how its supporters prevailed and how it ultimately failed is complex, fascinating and at times humorous, involving fraud, duplicity and corruption. Archivist Frederike Verspoor will present it through the records of the BC Archives.

October 4 | 12:00–1:00 pm



From Marshes to Mountains: Historical and Wetland Ecology Join Forces

Last year, Dr. Genevieve Hill, archaeology collections manager, teamed up with the Nature Conservancy of Canada to explore the heritage values of two conservation properties in the Cowichan Valley. Her team was joined by Cowichan Tribes field technicians to survey the study areas. Numerous sites of existing and potential cultural significance were identified. Join us to learn about the diversity of cultural sites and the strength of community partnerships.

November 1 | 12:00–1:00 pm

John Lennon's Rolls Royce

Join Dr. Lorne Hammond, curator of history, for a glimpse at this vehicle's unusual history and recent expeditions.

December 6 | 12:00–1:00 pm

From Haida Gwaii to the Salish Sea: Nautical Adventures and Biodiversity Research on the Canada C3 Voyage

The Canada C3 (coast to coast to coast) expedition was a 150-day journey from Toronto to Victoria via the Northwest Passage. Dr. Joel Gibson,

curator of entomology, and Dr. Henry Choong, curator of invertebrate zoology, will share their experiences from this exploration of BC's coastal biodiversity.

January 3 | 12:00–1:00 pm

Black Pioneers in British Columbia

Commemorate Black History month in a special presentation by Karen Alexander Hosahl of the Black History Awareness Society as she shares the history of her family and other black pioneers in the area.

February 7 | 12:00–1:00 pm

New Plant Discoveries from the Northern BC Alpine

Dr. Ken Marr, curator of botany, will give an illustrated presentation about the flora of northern BC, including images of the landscapes, rare plants, common plants, a pseudoflower, a puzzling gap in the distribution of several species and what we are learning from DNA markers about the migration of several species.

March 7 | 12:00–1:00 pm

Women's History Month

A special guest speaker will discuss women's history through the lens of the BC Archives collections.

October

Acts of Kindness and Complicity: The Silence of Bystanders and Eyewitnesses to the Dispossession and Internment of Japanese Canadians

In this talk, distinguished oral historian Dr. Pamela Sugiman confronts the complexity and messiness of human relationships. She reveals a troubling silence: not the silence of Japanese Canadians, but rather of their friends, neighbours, classmates, teachers, co-workers, employers and religious leaders. Based on her interviews with these bystanders and witnesses, she explains who they are and how they remember the ugliness of Canada's past, how have they shared their



memories with their children and grandchildren, and how their stories have changed her own understanding of Canadian history, memory and racism.

January 28 | 2:00–3:30 pm

Free

Newcombe Conference Hall

Friends of the BC Archives Lecture Series

\$5 per person, Free for
Friends of the BC Archives
Newcombe Auditorium

**British Columbia by the Road:
Car Culture and the Making**

of a Modern Landscape

Dr. Ben Bradley, Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of History and Classics, University of Alberta, will give an illustrated talk on his recent book *British Columbia by the Road*.

**September 19
2:00–3:00 pm**

Early BC filmmaker: A.D. (Cowboy) Keane

Dennis J. Duffy, retired Royal BC Museum archivist, will give a talk and film presentation on A. D. (Cowboy) Keane, a commercial and documentary film-maker in BC in the early 1900s. Presentation will

take place after the Friends of the BC Archives Annual General Meeting.

October 15 | 2:00–3:00 pm

A History of Breweries in British Columbia

Greg Evans, Esquimalt municipal archivist, will give an illustrated presentation exploring our province's brewing industry from coastal cities to the frigid north, from the mining metropolises of the interior to the ghost towns of today.

November 19 | 2:00–3:00 pm

SCHOOL PROGRAMS



Our school programs are designed to provide a dynamic menu of options for students and teachers, to nurture a lifelong love of learning and to ignite inquiry about museum objects and ideas.

EAGLE Program

This cultural awareness program features a series of interpretive tours of the First Peoples gallery from a First Nations perspective. EAGLE is an acronym standing for Education and Appreciation Garnered through Listening and Exploring.

The program is presented

by Leslie McGarry from the Kwakwaka'wakw – Kwagiulth First Nation. It focuses on the pre- and post-contact histories represented in the gallery and highlights the cultural diversity of First Peoples in BC.

September to June

Recommended for grades K – 12

\$99 per class

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Learning Labs

Learning Labs are inquiry-based and staff-led, investigating big ideas with the galleries as a backdrop.

\$99 per class visit

Governance and Beyond

Presented in partnership with the Parliamentary Education Office, this Learning Lab explores different ways of governance, beginning with Indigenous ways of knowing and being. The day-long lab starts at the Royal BC Museum and finishes across the street at the Legislative



Assembly of BC. Students will be able to experience the processes of governance from diverse perspectives and across multiple institutions.

October–March

From the Beginning: Origin Stories and Indigenous Culture

This lab will focus on alternative histories and narratives of origin. Through art and belongings, students will explore stories of connection to the earth, interconnection through families and clans, and the role of oral and visual storytelling and teachings.

Gold Rush: Photography and Memory

This Learning Lab will look at how we read photographs and how that process can help us better understand history. The tour will incorporate historical thinking concepts such as ‘change and continuity’ and ‘historical perspectives’. It will be presented primarily in the gold rush displays of the *Becoming BC* gallery.

October to June

The Numbers of Nature

“Change is the only constant in BC’s natural history.” This statement greets all visitors to the *Natural History* gallery, and the gallery clearly illustrates the concept. Visitors learn about mass extinctions, climate change and biodiversity, from the Ice Age to the present day, and they are reminded that life in BC and on the planet has been shaped and changed by processes in constant motion. This trailhead tour will help students and teachers establish connections between mathematics and science and consider how these disciplines help us understand change in BC’s natural history.

October to June

Predator versus Prey: The Case of the Cougar

This lab introduces students to the predators and prey of British Columbia, with a special focus on the complicated relationship between cougars and humans. Students will discover what makes a successful hunter, how animals protect themselves from predation and how humans complicate food webs and predator-prey relationships.

October to June

Primary Sources and Historical Significance

What’s the difference between “the past” and “history”? What makes a person or event historically significant, and who decides? This lab will explore the process of establishing historical significance using primary source documents from the BC Archives.

October to June

Ethics: Dialogue and Debate

How do you tell right from wrong? In this lab, students will engage in ethical dialogue, using the museum’s core exhibitions to understand how we can make ethical decisions in our everyday lives. The focus of this lab will be on understanding ethics through discussion and debate. We may address topics like Truth and Reconciliation, pipelines, environmental stewardship and representation (in museums and beyond).

October to June

Simple Machines

This tour is designed to introduce students to the simple machines found within the *Becoming BC* gallery. By the end of the tour, students will be able

to identify the six basic simple machines, explain their uses and find them in the gallery. Students will also be able to make connections between what they have seen in the gallery and what can be found in their own classrooms and homes.

October to June

Let's Get One Thing Straight (or Not)

This Learning Lab explores the LGBTQ+ experience in Canada, starting with how First Peoples viewed gender and sexuality before colonization. It also examines how language shapes our understanding and encourages learners to ask questions about power and resistance. The day will involve learning about queer(ed) people and history, storytelling, and acts of resistance, and students will create their very own queer-fabulous exhibits.

October to June

Recommended for grades 4–12

Reading an Object

This Learning Lab encourages students to explore the meaning and purpose behind museums. Old Town (in the *Becoming BC* gallery) provides a window

into the past and offers an opportunity to examine which stories the museum presents and with what objects. Students will be encouraged to ask questions and think critically about the importance of heritage and the role of preservation in nurturing an understanding of the past.

October to June

Helmcken Christmas

This learning lab looks at Christmas traditions from the late 19th and early 20th century. Using material from the Royal BC Museum Archives collections the program encourages students to explore the ways in which Christmas was celebrated in Victoria and British Columbia, all within the historically significant Helmcken House. Students will also have the opportunity to relive early Victorian school days in historic St. Ann's Schoolhouse.

December

The Ceremonies and Science of Seasons

This Learning Lab will explore the social studies and science of the seasons with a focus on First Peoples' perspectives.

How did First Peoples view the thirteen phases of the moon in a lunar cycle? When is it safe to harvest the bark of a cedar tree? Why do frogs signify the arrival of spring? These questions and many more will be addressed in the museum's *First Peoples* and *Natural History* galleries and in the *Our Living Languages* exhibition.

October to June

Recommended for students K–3

Let's Talk

This lab is up to you. Give us a sense of what you want, and we'll work with you to create something that fits your class's needs. If your class is visiting from outside Greater Victoria, we can provide an introduction to the museum and behind-the-scenes access, while leaving plenty of time for open exploration of the museum. Contact Chris O'Connor, learning program developer, at coconnor@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca for more information.

March to June



Trailhead Tuesdays and Thursdays

If you are bringing your class on a self-guided visit to the museum, consider coming on a Tuesday or Thursday. From April to June, we will have activity stations specific for classes with trained volunteer educators. Our Tuesday theme, 'Thinking like a Historian', will involve thought-provoking activities in the *Becoming BC* gallery to encourage students in the process of making sense of history. Our Thursday theme, 'Thinking like a Scientist', will involve exciting hands-on activities in the *Natural History* gallery, inviting students to consider the different ways scientists understand the world.

Teacher Professional Development Sessions

How Can We Help? Accessing the Museum as a Learning Resource

Looking for an engaging field trip? Wondering how you can use the museum to enrich your classroom? Join us for a day-

long professional development workshop for current and aspiring educators. Build an awareness of cultural diversity and protocols, discover curricular connections to our collections and galleries, and learn how to incorporate museum thinking in the classroom.

October 20, November 24, January 15, February 23
9:00 am – 2:00 pm

\$45 per participant

Designed for both classroom and community educators

Inquiry Guides

Self-guided resources for the permanent galleries and special exhibitions.

Look for age-appropriate K–2, 3–7 and 8–12 scaled guides on our website.

Home Learners Series

Qwal Qwal: Let's Talk

This four-week workshop will explore one of the key elements of identity: language. What is your mother tongue, and what does that mean? How is language developed? How does it shape the way you see the

world? What are the languages heard and spoken in British Columbia? Drawing on content from the *Our Living Languages* exhibition and cofacilitated by a novice Hul'q'umi'num' speaker, we will explore these questions and more.

September 11, 18, 25 and October 2

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

\$75 per participant

Designed for ages 7–12

Who Were They Anyway? Digging into Local History

This four-week workshop will be an opportunity to investigate the lives of historical and forgotten Victoria residents, up close and personal. Who were they? How did they live? What motivated them? This social history workshop will consider these questions and more, examining clues found in photographs, documents and artifacts within the museum's collections and archives.

November 6, 13, 20 and 27
10:00 am – 12:00 am

\$75 per participant

Designed for ages 7–12

Digital Fieldtrips

Can't get here in person? No problem. We offer Digital Fieldtrips for classrooms to make connections with our collections and our work. Digital Field trips are curriculum linked and staff led. We also offer virtual museum tours. All Digital Fieldtrips include pre- and post-visit support. Digital Fieldtrips are also available to community groups and learners of all ages! Contact Liz Crocker, learning program developer, at lcrocker@royalbcmuseum.bc.ca for more information.

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Check our website for tour topics, times and meeting locations. Included with admission or membership.

Hands On in the Galleries

Check out our ongoing activities and the 'closer look' stations located throughout our galleries, hosted by our knowledgeable volunteers.

Behind-the-Scenes Tours

Experience the working environments of our talented researchers and staff. Tours are limited to 10 people.

And check out our new tour of the BC Archives!

Select Wednesdays

Gallery Tours

Drop-in

Join us for engaging volunteer-led tours through our permanent galleries and learn about the fascinating natural history and human history of BC.

Year-round

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Pre-booked

If you want to explore even further, book a special staff-led tour of the galleries.

Year-round

\$80 per group of 10
\$10 per person for additional guests

Home Is Where The Heart Is: Understanding Immigrant Experiences in British Columbia's History

This tour will explore histories of immigrant communities in British Columbia and their immense contributions to the development of the province and Canada at large. Uncover the complicated narratives of settlement, intercultural communication and historical wrongdoings that are (or are not) represented in the museum's galleries.

Infinite Identities: Unravelling Gender

What is gender, anyway? How

is it reflected in our ongoing understanding of history, place and belonging? What does gender really mean, and how do we define it? Why do we associate certain traits with certain genders? What does that mean for cisgender, transgender, gender-neutral and genderqueer people? This tour considers these questions while searching the *Becoming BC* gallery for community representation and discussing what meaningful inclusion looks like in a museum context.

Learning from Legends

Storytelling is the mechanism of history, especially in Indigenous cultures. Join us on this tour to listen to oral histories and legends of the First Peoples of British Columbia. Come hear stories of Thunderbird, Raven and other supernatural beings as you explore the *First Peoples* gallery and the *Our Living Languages* exhibition.

LiteraTour

The landscapes and events represented at the Royal BC Museum are a powerful influence on Canadian literature. Natural and human history

pass from past to page thanks to authors such as Emily Carr, who worked in verse as well as watercolour, and Alice Munro, with her haunting Canadian wildernesses. See the Royal BC Museum through the eyes of a writer and you will find stories wherever you look.

We're All in This Together: Biodiversity of BC in a Changing World

BC is home to an incredible abundance of plants and

animals, but why do we have a wider variety here than in other parts of Canada or the world? During this tour we will explore the reasons why BC has such exceptional biodiversity and how our quickly changing planet will continue to impact that diversity. Embracing both scientific and cultural perspectives we will examine the myriad of ways biodiversity is important to us as humans and how changes to global biodiversity will resonate in our everyday lives.

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From the adorable to the elegant, this exhibition showcases award-winning images that tell astonishing stories of our natural world while pushing the boundaries of technical skill.

The 100 winning photos are back-lit on a large scale for maximum impact, a dramatic setting for some of the world's most respected nature photographers and wildlife experts. Young photographer categories also feature budding talents, while special categories tell stories of the natural world's beauty and struggles.





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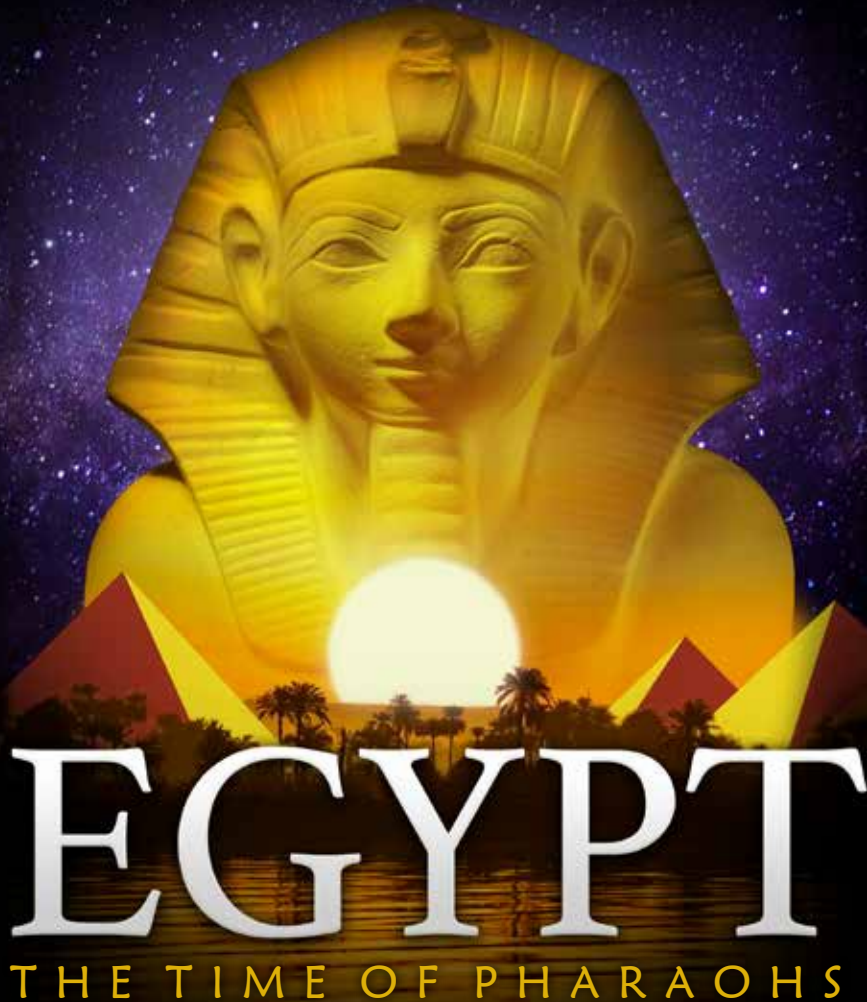
Experience a time when civilization grew along the Nile, pyramids dotted the skyline and people believed gods walked among us.

With more than 300 original artifacts, some an astounding 4,500 years old, this exhibition covers all aspects of ancient Egyptian life, from the emergence of ancient Egyptian civilization along the Nile to the Ptolemaic and Roman eras.

Be among the first in North America to see this staggering exhibition's priceless ancient artifacts, such as the coffin of Nakht, an exceptional bust of Hatshepsut and an ornate gold and garnet necklace from the Ptolemaic period.

The exhibition has been produced as a joint venture between Lokschuppen Rosenheim, the University of Aberdeen Museum, the Roemer- und Pelizaeus - Museums Hildesheim and Museums Partner Austria.





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Curious: An Online Journal

Curious connects you to the stories that matter through high-quality, museum-related articles and media. In the journal's most honest and heartfelt issue yet, "Belongings," we present First Nations perspectives on the Royal BC Museum and Archives collections. The issue features a dynamic collection of personal stories from artists, educators and writers from across Canada.

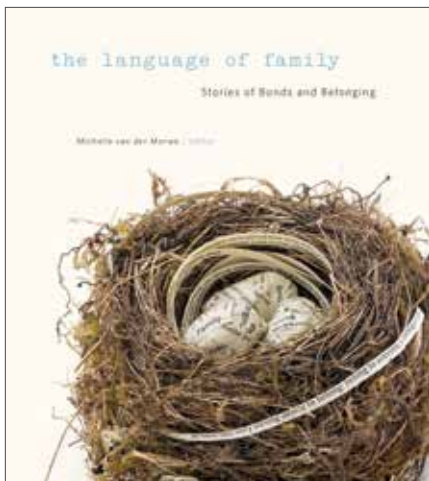
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100 Objects of Interest

Our mission is to promote an understanding of the living landscapes and cultures of British Columbia. From the wild to the weird, the objects in our collections speak volumes, helping us to understand our past, present and future. 100 Objects of Interest presents one hundred highlights from the museum and archives, handpicked from among more than six million objects in our collection.

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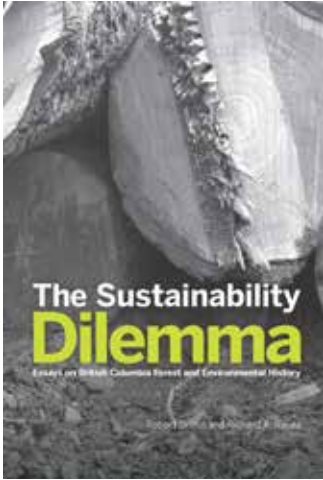
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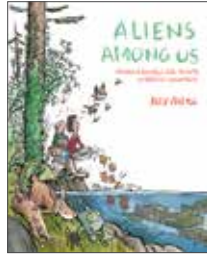
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