



The Verandah at Benares Historic House, as seen from the Garden that will be a fabulous venue for local artists to display their work on Sunday June 10.

## “Gallery in the Garden” at Benares

Jenny Dale & Anne Fabierkiewicz, Friends of the Museums

A brand new and exciting event will take place together with our traditional Strawberry Social on Sunday, June 10th from 11 to 4 o'clock. Friends of the Museums have invited local artists to display and sell their work on the lawn at Benares Historic House.

Gallery in the Garden: what a fabulous venue for artists to display their work. Each participant will contribute a fee for the display space on the lawn. Along with the sales of strawberry shortcake a successful Spring fundraiser is expected.

In Mississauga we have an amazing amount of artistic talent. You will want to come and see the wide choice of art on display. The participating artists are confident of many purchases: something for your own home or for a special and unique gift.

In addition to the Gallery in the Garden and Strawberry Social, student artists from Clarkson Public School will be displaying their recent projects in the summer kitchen. Friends of the Museums are pleased to include Mississauga's art future in this new event.

Of course lots of volunteers will be needed for many tasks at this event. You may contact Jenny Dale directly (or leave a message at the Museum number) to confirm the time you will be able to lend a hand. We're looking forward to a fine day. Mark your calendar now for June 10!

## On the Verandah

Becky Ryder, Friends of the Museums

Following the success of the On the Verandah programs last summer and at Christmas, Friends of the Museums is again sponsoring a series of outdoor concerts. We are looking forward to several of last season's performers returning to On the Verandah at Benares Historic House.

New features include the line up beginning in June this year to accommodate school-based performers. An evening of musical entertainment especially for children is planned. And a concert of sacred selections in a variety of genres is also on the agenda.

At press time the schedule is not complete. Check our website at [www.museumsofmississauga.com](http://www.museumsofmississauga.com) or The Booster newspaper each week in June, July and August for up-to-date information and performance dates for On the Verandah. The show starts at 7:30 on Friday evenings. Pay-what-you-can admission is shared by the performers and Friends, in support of bussing for children to participate in experiential history at Benares Historic House, and at the Bradley Museum.

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For details check out “Active Mississauga”, or at [www.mississauga.ca](http://www.mississauga.ca)

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*See application on back page.*

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# Shakespeare under the Stars

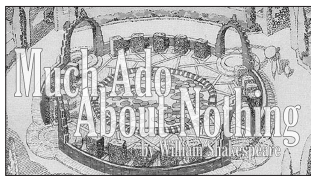
## Driftwood Theatre's Much Ado About Nothing

at Bradley Museum

7:30pm, July 20th & 21st

*Disdain, Slander, Death...Love is in the Air*

The Driftwood Theatre Group is returning to Bradley Museum this summer with *Much Ado About Nothing*, one of Shakespeare's most celebrated comedies, featuring the irrepressible, acid-tongued banter of everyone's favourite dueling couple, Beatrice and Benedick.



Drawing its inspiration from the post-WWI period of 1919-1920, *Much Ado About Nothing* will include such well-known songs as *Pack Up Your Troubles*, *Thou Swell* and *Alexander's Ragtime Band*

arranged for performance by Kevin Fox and Tom Lillington, who together have helped to establish Driftwood's artistic signature—the incorporation of a cappella music into Shakespeare's plays.

The play's setting of Messina will become a fictional town in central Canada. "When I originally directed *Much Ado* I chose specifically to downplay the role of war, whereas now I realize that the comedy is enhanced by the knowledge that these events follow a major conflict," explains Jeremy Smith, Driftwood's Artistic Director, and Director and scenic designer of this production. "Choosing Canada in a post-WWI setting highlights the role that The Great War played on the development of Canada as a country, which is a fascinating part of our heritage, and the play lends itself very well to Canada's particular role within that conflict. I'm excited to be studying this play from an historical context, especially one that relates to Canadian history." Interestingly, this reflects the same era that is represented in Benares Historic House!

Founded in 1995, The Driftwood Theatre Group is the only touring theatre company in the province producing Shakespeare for an annual season of Outdoor Summer Theatre, and their visits to Bradley Museum have been a tradition since 1998. They will be performing at Bradley Museum at 7:30 pm on Friday, July 20th and Saturday, July 21st; admission is Pay-What-You-Can, with a suggested rate of \$15 per person. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets, and even a picnic to enjoy on the museum grounds. If you miss the production at Bradley Museum, for the first time Driftwood will also be performing outdoors at Mississauga Civic Centre, as part of the "My Mississauga" festivities, on August 11th. You can find out more about Driftwood and their season at [www.driftwoodtheatre.com](http://www.driftwoodtheatre.com).

# 2nd Annual Peel Regional Historica Fair

By Jennifer Browne, Historic Interpreter

On April 19th, 2007, over 80 grade 4 to 8 students from public schools across Peel region converged on the Mississauga Civic Centre for a day of Historical fun, and to share their "History Fair" projects. The 2nd Annual Peel Regional Historica Fair was organized by the Peel District School Board, Museums of Mississauga, and the Peel Heritage Complex. The projects were adjudicated by a panel of teachers and volunteers, including our own historical interpreter Richard Collins. Dozens of prizes were awarded at the closing ceremonies at the Noel Ryan auditorium; four lucky students were invited to advance to the Historica Foundations' provincial fair in Ottawa and one to the national event in Lethbridge, Alberta. The Historica Foundation, best known for its Canadian Heritage Minutes, works in conjunction with school boards and teachers across Canada to provide historical resources and events.

The day kicked off with lively opening ceremonies, where the children were marched into the City Council Chambers by an officer of the 49th Regiment, historical re-enactor Richard Feltoe. After meeting the day's organizers and having a look...

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## museum news

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# Collections Corner

Stephanie Meeuwse, Exhibit & Collections Coordinator

## What's New in Old Stuff: Recent Donations

Benares Historic House will be hosting a display in the Visitors Centre that focuses on donations received in the past two years for both Bradley and Benares collections, July 15th to October 28th. A smaller version of this display will also be the focus of outreach exhibits at the Central Library in May and Lorne Park Library in June. Displays of our recent donations are a great way to recognize all the generous donors who support the Museums through their contributions.

With these exhibits upcoming, here are highlights of a few of the many wonderful donations we have received in 2005 and 2006, and a bit about their history.



Mrs. Della Williams donated two tennis racquets and a racquet frame. These items were originally used by her neighbour, Bessie Patterson.

Della, her husband Orvel, and Bessie were all members of the Orchard Heights Tennis Club since it opened in the 1950s. The Williams and Patterson families were some of the first to move into Orchard Heights subdivision. Della and Orvel moved in on Oct. 16, 1954, the day Hurricane Hazel hit.

Sandra Lindsay, daughter of long-time Benares volunteer, Jean Lindsay (1919-2003) donated a number of wonderful items including her aunt's wedding dress which was recently displayed in "Love is in the Air": Wedding Dresses from our Collection. Among some of the other treasures donated were things that belonged to her father, William Lindsay (1915-2004), when he was a child. William was originally from Toronto but moved to Clarkson when he married Jean Hodgetts in June of 1944. They continued to live in the area until their recent passings.

Long-time resident, Phyllis Maybee (née Fryer) donated a number of textiles to the Bradley collection after moving to a nursing home. Phyllis is over 100 years old and lived most of her life in Port Credit. Minaki Drive was the location of her childhood home. Her father, John, named the street after a lodge in northern Ontario. Phyllis married Gary Maybee of Stavebank Road in 1927, and they had a family of three daughters. The Maybees lived on Cumberland Drive in Port Credit from 1944 until 2006. This beautiful Edwardian bodice is thought to have belonged to her aunt.



John Hammill, a long time area resident and volunteer at the Museums, donated a large collection of artifacts to Bradley in 2005. Among the items was this doll made by The Reliable Toy Company. This company was founded in 1902 and was the most successful Canadian toy manufacturer making dolls until the 1990's.



Lloyd Herridge (1912-1988) owned and operated Herridge's market in Mississauga. His family donated a photograph of him and a collection of children's clothing ranging from 1912 to 1945. Lloyd and his wife Viola had six children and all members of the family worked at the market, which is still family-run today.



Barbara Larson, one of the donors of Benares Historic House and our largest benefactor, gave two beautiful half dolls in 2006. Half dolls, also known as pincushion dolls, dresser dolls or tea-cozy dolls, are waist length sculpted ceramic figurines used to disguise or decorate various household objects. They were made in a variety of styles, largely in Germany. They were designed for the adult market and were very popular from 1900-1920. These half dolls were dressed by Barbara's mother, Annie Sayers.

One of the most important donations to the Museums has been the only known existing diary of Mazo de la Roche; donated by her daughter-in-law, Bianca de la Roche Mazo had instructed her cousin, Caroline Clement, to destroy all her diaries so this is a rare find! The diary covers 1938-1945 and gives us some insight into this enigmatic woman. Mazo de la Roche is an important Canadian literary figure who still draws attention from scholars as well as enthusiasts of her novels. Her award winning 1927 novel, *Jalna*, helped to launch her career both nationally and internationally. *Jalna* is important to Mississauga and Benares Historic House, as this book was written while Mazo lived at Trail Cottage in Clarkson, which was located on land formerly belonging to the Harris family of Benares.

*Thank you to all the donors who support the Museums through their generosity and who help to preserve Mississauga's heritage.*

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The vision of the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga is to promote, strengthen and support the Museums of Mississauga.

The mission of the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga is to engage volunteers and enhance community awareness through promotion, participation and fundraising to ensure the integrity of the Museums.

# Historica Fair

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at highlights from last year's event, the group was treated to a swing dance performance given by some very talented students from Homestead PS. The Mississauga Library System sponsored children's author Linda Granfield, who closed the ceremonies with an informative presentation about WWI, discussing everything from the role of women during the war, to life in the trenches.

The kids were then sent off to four different workshops throughout the Civic Centre and Central Library. The Peel Heritage Complex presented an art-based workshop allowing students to make their own mail art projects using historical maps of the Peel Region. Heritage Mississauga engaged the young historians in a rousing round of Historical Jeopardy with questions about the history of Mississauga. The Canadiana Room at the Central Library gave the students a unique opportunity to use primary documents and slide images of the First Nations peoples to create a written report. Finally, the Museums of Mississauga guided the youngsters through hands on historical activities.

Students at the Museum workshop were given a glimpse into a day in the life of both a pioneer student and a museum curator.



They learned how to write in script with quill pens, and next they were asked to card sheep's wool and try their hand at spinning it into thread or yarn. This was a rather difficult task, but the kids were up for the challenge when they were told that this was a common household chore undertaken by young people in the past. The station that had the most giggles was the reproduction toys. In an age where almost everything is digital, these 'batteries not required' toys were definitely out of the ordinary for the students. There were several heated tournaments of the tandem

ball and cup game and making the 19th century optical illusion toy, the thaumatrope, was a hit. The highlight of the Museum programme was the Mystery Artifact game which allowed students to interact with artifacts and use their observation and brainstorming skills to identify and catalogue the mystery items.

Although only a few students got to advance to the national and provincial fairs it was a valuable and unique learning opportunity for everyone involved - students and adult volunteers alike!

Everyone from the Museum staff got involved in Historica! Jennifer Browne,



Historic Interpreter organized hands-on workshops for the students, and also provided 'tech support'. Pat Bonesteel our Administrative Coordinator worked the Info Desk for the day.



## History Has a Future

by Richard Collins, Historic Interpreter and Local Writer

From time to time it seems as though heritage in Mississauga is doomed. We're losing much of our built heritage and sometimes it feels like no one cares. But I've been feeling a bit more optimistic in the past few days, and that's due to a chance meeting I had recently with Sam Steele - the rappin' Mountie.

You may know of Sir Sam Steele. He was the stern, efficient North West Mounted Police Commissioner who kept order during the Klondike gold rush. Or maybe you know him better from one of those omnipresent "heritage moment" commercials that air on local TV stations during Sunday matinee movies. The Historica Foundation produces the vignettes and it is through Historica that I got the chance to meet the major-general. Not the real one, of course and not the one played by actor Alan Scarfe. This Sam Steele was a Mississauga Grade 7 student who won the Historica competition at his school and advanced to the 2nd Annual Peel Regional Historica Fair held on April 19 at the Mississauga Civic Centre.



"Sam" did the customary research and put up a display board with pictures and text, but it was his music and choreography that caught my attention. I'm not sure why he wrote a rap song about Steele, but he had fun performing it, and I enjoyed listening to it.

A Grade 6 student told the story of Marie-Madeleine Jarret. I'd never heard of her, but in 1692 she helped to build and later defend a French fort from attacking Iroquois. The student said she had selected Jarret because she was brave. As a competition judge, I'd heard that kind of stock answer from students many times. But this girl meant it.

*"I wish I was as brave as Madeleine", the student told me. "My friends made fun of me once when I didn't want to go bungee jumping with them. They said I was scared. But bungee jumping isn't brave. There's all sorts of safety devices. Madeleine risked her life to protect her family. She defended the fort and saved Verchères while the Iroquois shot at her. I'd like to think that maybe I could have that kind of bravery when I need it."* (continues on page 5)

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Bravery took on a different meaning for another girl. This Grade 8 student took Thomas Scott's place in front of a firing squad. The girl's project centered on a letter she imagined that Scott might have written to his family in the uncertain days leading up to his execution in Manitoba in 1870. The student turned the tables on an important event in Canada's history and stood out from many of her peers who prefer the conventional safety of selecting a perennial favourite like Louis Riel - the Métis leader whose makeshift court sentenced Scott to death.

The purpose of this Historica Fair was for students from grades 4 to 8 to learn about a topic of their choice. What I didn't expect that day was that, as a judge, I'd learn something, too.

And what I learned wasn't just about the life of an heroic woman from New France, or that Sam Steele could rap. Of more lasting importance was the lesson these students taught me about what the past means to them. From the enthusiasm of the kids, the knowledge they imparted, and the unique perspective they offered, I came to realize, that history is not lost on today's youth, it's just taking on a new form.

Adults and seniors perpetuate history. Youth enliven it. History must evolve so that it won't go stale; and Historica is encouraging this evolution through their sponsorship of regional Fairs across Canada. As judges, we were able to select four students to advance to the Provincial Fair in Ottawa in May, and one to represent Peel at the National Fair in Alberta this summer.

There are still reminders of what we've lost, and continue to lose in Mississauga, but since the Historica Fair, I feel a renewed hope for the future of history.

# A Record-Breaking Maple Magic

Our annual Maple Magic Festival over March Break attracted record-breaking crowds - over 5,000 people enjoyed the horse and wagon rides, pancake breakfasts, crafts, and tours of the sap line! Many thanks to the dozens of volunteers, museum and other City staff, and even the horses, who worked so hard to make the week so 'magical'.

*It even inspired one visitor, Elisabeth Evans, to write a poem about the event; she has kindly given us permission to share her poem in the newsletter.*



Our Maple Magic Festival attracted over 5,000 people – thanks to volunteers and staff!

## Maple Magic 2007

Elisabeth Evans - March 2007

Warm spring sunshine after a night of snow and frost  
Sweet sap flowing into buckets from majestic maple trees  
The smell of a wood fire heating large cauldrons of sap  
Boiling, boiling, stirring, stirring.  
HEI HO join us for a sweet taste of maple candy

Grand-parents, parents and children on a holiday outing  
Exploring the ways and customs of times past  
Colorful hats, red cheeks, excited shouts and chatter  
The clip-clop of heavy hooves hitting the pavement  
HEI HO join us on the wagon ride

The gifted hands of the woodcarver produce intricate patterns  
As he tells stories and shares his wisdom with those who come to watch  
In the barn, the old dusty sleigh dreams of bells and laughter  
And of revelers wrapped in furs and coarse blankets.  
Pancakes sizzle on a griddle and wake up our taste buds  
HEI HO join us for a feast of sticky treats

As the sun begins to sink in the west  
The horses take a well earned rest and a meal of fragrant hay  
Button up your coat and tie up your scarf  
It's time to go home after a day of marvelous fun  
Did you see the old toys, did you taste the sweet maple sugar  
HEI HO remember the happy day we spent together.



## An Update on Friends Activities

Fred Durdan, Chair, Friends of the Museums

In many parts of this newsletter, members of the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga have written about upcoming planned activities for the next few months. These include Gallery in the Garden on June 10th, 2007 at Benares, the summer On the Veranda Series starting on Friday June 1st and continuing throughout the summer on Friday evenings. The Log Cabin activity is also front and centre.

Some important recent events have just concluded the last week of April. This included our annual report to Mississauga City Council where I updated the Mayor and City Councillors on the past year's activities of the Friends. Wendy Davies co-chair of the Starlight and Candlelight Gala held in early February reported on the event. Our report was well received and many of the Councillors commented favourably on our various events including the opportunity to cook pancakes at Maple Magic.

Our Second Annual General Meeting was held Wednesday April 25th, 2007 and was well attended. The theme of the evening was to celebrate the contribution of our many volunteer groups at the Museums and to recognize the significance of their efforts. Reports were received from several different groups of volunteers, and it was clear that not only do they truly enjoy their volunteer work at the Museums, their contribution are crucial to the success of both Benares and Bradley.

A new Board of Directors was elected for the coming year. Several members of the original board did not stand for re-election and some new members were added.

The newly elected Board includes Jenny Dale, Gerry Dallas, Wendy Davies, Joyce Delves, Fred Durdan, Anne Fabierkiewicz, Don Harrington, John Pegram, Betty Ross, Becky Ryder, John Van Camp and Chris Wollen. At the first meeting of the new board on May 14th a new executive will be elected.

At the AGM, members of the Friends were asked to approve in principle the Constitution and By Laws of the Friends, subject to ratification by the newly elected Board of Directors. Approval of our Constitution and By Laws will allow us to proceed with incorporation and eventual filing for status as a charitable organization. This will be a major activity during the upcoming months.

As a Friend you are welcome to participate in all our activities, and we welcome you to attend our Board Meetings generally held at 5:30 PM the second Monday of the month at the Anchorage.

The upcoming summer season will soon be on us and we look forward to seeing our many Friends at a variety of the Museums events.



Prior to dismantling, all the logs were numbered and tagged.



Scott Kelly of Log Farm Building worked with City of Mississauga Forestry staff to carefully remove each log.



The same crew then worked together to unload and rebuild the cabin at its new home at Bradley Museum

## Log Cabin on the Move! John Pegram, Chair, Log Cabin Task Force

Scott Kelly of Log Farm Building has erected all the logs that comprise the main structure. Yes, there are some significant gaps. They will be filled with windows and doors. And yes, the "half storey" on our "storey and a half" log cabin is yet to get the top half, if you follow me! Patience please. By the end of May you'll see the framing of the addition, then the roof of the addition and the log cabin.

After that flurry of activity the next step is "closing in". That is making the structure essentially weather proof. To do that we need to put the windows and doors in place and also chink the horizontal space between the logs, from the outside. The landscaping plan will involve grading the site up to the cabin.

Our donors and other supporters are working hard. The windows are to be ordered early in May along with two "period doors". We are preparing to stain all the "board and batten" siding that will be installed by Scott Kelly on the gable ends of the cabin and the addition. Peter Del Fatti and Dani Gesualdi of Fram our invaluable Project Managers are very busy minimising the cost of installing the services; water, sanitary sewer, hydro, and communications lines. They are also busy identifying the specific materials that Home Depot is generously supplying. Again thank you to all those who are supportive of this project.

Special thanks to our sponsors for their generous support of this community project:



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# Great Summer Day Camps at the Museums

Fiona Ryder, Museums Programming Supervisor

Bradley Museum has long been the destination for children seeking a fun hands-on camp experience with a history theme. The first Bradley campers are now grown up, likely with camp-age children of their own!

The Hands-on History Day Camp is a week long camp for children age 7 to 12 years. Sessions run throughout the summer starting on July 9th. Participants are encouraged to learn about history in an interactive and fun way through: theme days, crafts, activities, historic cooking, First Nations lore and a hike to the nearby Rattray Marsh. Campers also visit the local swimming hole once a week (nearby Lewis Bradley Pool)! In addition, we offer extended hours with this program ~ you can drop your child off as early as 8 am or pick up as late as 6 pm.

Home base for the Hands-on History Day Camp is the rustic Bradley Museum barn. The barn is transformed into a beehive of creative activity for the summer months. The 3 acre museum grounds are also completely available for the Camp's use. Outside, the children are involved with playing historic active games as well as helping out with the heritage gardens. Visits to the restored Bradley House are an almost daily occurrence as the campers become immersed in 1830's life through historic hand-skills and cooking experiences.

A hike through the nearby Rattray Marsh is the highlight of the week as campers get an idea of what the land may have been like when the first settlers arrived, and learn about the area's native plants and animals.

Also at Bradley Museum is a half day Discovery Camp for younger participants (5 to 8 years). This camp is run by Recreation & Parks Youth Services Unit. This camp explores nature through the use of arts, crafts, discovery activities and games.

In 2006, Benares Historic House was host to a number of summer camps for the first time. This year Benares will again be one of the City of Mississauga sites for several outdoor camps. Recreation & Parks Community Programs will be running: Amazing Race and Survivor Youth for children aged 9 - 12 years. These two programs are weeklong 1/2 day programs. Benares Blasters is a weeklong 1/2 day athletics camp also located on the grounds at Benares. There are two concurrent sessions of the Benares Blasters camp to accommodate two different age levels: 4 to 5 years and 6 to 8 years.

For more information about these camps and programs, please refer to your Active Mississauga brochure under the "Camps" section. To register for any of these programs, please call: 905-615-4100.

Touch Tone and online registration are also available.

## *Hands on History Day Camp*

Weeks of July 9th to August 27th, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

This exciting summer day camp will give kids the chance to learn about history in a fun, hands-on way with theme days and activities such as cooking in the historic house, gardening, First Nations lore and crafts, a hike to Rattray Marsh, historic children's games and crafts. Swimming once a week.

Ages 7 - 12; extended hours available for an additional fee.

Regular fee: \$132.99

## *Benares Blasters*

Weeks of July 9th to August 27th, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Children will take full advantage of the spacious outdoor surroundings at Benares Museum in this action packed athletics camp! Soccer, Baseball, Basketball and more will be featured as children participate in a wide range of skill and coordination based activities. Children will also have the opportunity to engage in traditional day camp activities in a historic setting.

Ages 4 - 8; Regular fee: \$65.40

## *Discovery Camp*

Weeks of July 9th to August 20th, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Children will become Nature Detectives as they explore their surroundings discovering interesting creatures, exploring their tracks and finding their homes. Children will learn to identify types of trees and what they do for the environment. Through the use of arts and crafts, discovery activities and games children will discover nature right in their own backyard. For more information, please call 905-896-5883.

Ages 5 - 8; Regular fee: \$65.40

## *Survivor Youth*

Weeks of July 16th to August 20th, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Put yourself to the challenge where skills, agility and strategy take you to the top. Children will participate in fun, wacky challenges such as jello slurping, scavenger hunts, brain teasers, cooperative games and more in a fun, safe environment.

Ages 9 - 11; Regular fee: \$65.40

## *The Amazing Race*

Weeks of July 9th to August 13th, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

It's a race to the finish line. First learn about reading a compass and map then use your new skills to go on a scavenger hunt. Each group will have a leader to assist with the challenge. Be prepared to be outside.

Ages: 9 - 11; Regular fee: \$65.40

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## A final goodbye to Carol Steeves

It was with great sadness that we learned of the passing of one of our longest serving volunteers, Carol Steeves, who died suddenly on March 30, 2007. For more than 25 years, Carol shared her time, energy, friendship, creativity, and enthusiasm - not to mention her wonderful lemon loaf - with everyone at the Museums. Carol could be found at many of our special events, and she always entered into the spirit of it all: dressed as a pumpkin for Hallowe'en, patiently teaching the rest of us how to flip the perfect pancake, or being a wonderful and magical "bear nurse" at our Teddy Bear's Picnic. She truly made a difference to all who knew her, and she is very missed.

# What's Happening at the Museums!

Ongoing to June 16th at the Anchorage, Bradley Museum  
Southern Exposure: Mississauga Art & Artists from the Peel Heritage

February 25th to July 8th at Benares Visitor Centre  
"Love is in the Air": Wedding Dresses from our Collection Exhibit

Saturday, June 2nd at Bradley  
Introduction to Herbs program – call 905-615-4100 to pre-register

Sunday, June 10th, 11 am to 4 pm  
"Gallery in the Garden" and Strawberry Social  
Art Show and Sale, and the Fabulous Benares Strawberry Shortcake

Sunday July 29th, 12 noon to 4 pm  
13th Annual Teddy Bears Picnic at Benares Historic House

July 20th and 21st, Shakespeare Under the Stars,  
"Much Ado About Nothing", 7:30 pm at Bradley House Museum

Beginning Friday June 1st

## On the Verandah Concert Series at Benares

- Friday nights, June to August, 7:30 pm
- June 1st Etobicoke Children's Chorus
- June 8th Playford Players (guitar, mandolin, zither)
- June 15th Celebration - Church of St. Bride (ladies trio and mixed quartet)
- June 29th Meet the Folkers (I) - chorus of folk singers
- July 13th Willowmyst (harp and cello)
- Aug 10th Meet the Folkers (II) - chorus of folk singers

Check our website [www.museumsofmississauga.ca](http://www.museumsofmississauga.ca) for additional concerts

## Looking Ahead to a FREE Fall:

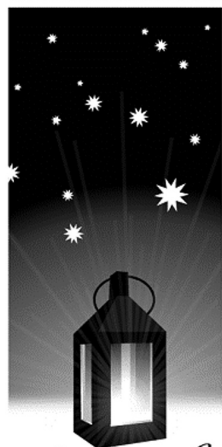
Doors Open Mississauga - Port Credit & Clarkson  
Saturday, September 15th - FREE  
[www.doorsopentario.on.ca](http://www.doorsopentario.on.ca)

Bradley Museum Fall Fair and Folk Festival  
September 15th and 16th - FREE

## A successful evening!

The 8th Annual Starlight and Candlelight Gala in February raised \$12,200 towards conservation, preservation, and education at the Museums in just one evening! And, although she was unable to attend this year, the Mayor has generously provided a matching donation from the Hazel McCallion Charitable Fund! Many thanks to the Mayor, and to Gala Co-Chairs, Kathy Munkley and Wendy Davies, for their wonderful support of the Museums!

8TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISING GALA



*Starlight  
& Candlelight*

## Tours, Admission and Exhibits

### Guided Tours for Drop-In Visitors

Wednesdays and Sundays (Sept. to June) 1:00 to 5:00 pm  
Wednesdays to Sundays (July and Aug.) 1:00 to 5:00 pm

**Admission to both Museums:** Adults \$5; Students and Seniors \$3.50; Children \$1.50; Family \$12

**Exhibits in the Anchorage at Bradley Museum and Benares Visitor Centre:** Free, Monday to Friday 10 am to 4 pm

Both Museums are also available for pre-booked tours and programs 7 days a week, 14 hours a day

*Ask about curriculum-based educational programming, meeting rooms, and wedding photography!*

Call 905-615-4860 ext. 2107

## Museums of Mississauga

### Bradley Museum

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### Benares Historic House

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# joinus!

Everyone needs friends, and the Museums of Mississauga is looking for folks like you to assist us in reaching our goals.

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- Individual \$10     Family \$30     I wish to make a donation in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_

Return with payment to:  
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Benares Historic House was donated to and restored by the Ontario Heritage Foundation by the descendants of Captain James Harris – Geoffrey Harris Sayers, Dora Sayers Caro, and Barbara Sayers Larson. Bradley House was preserved, restored, and first operated by the Mississauga Heritage Foundation. The Museums are now owned and operated by Recreation and Parks, Community Services, City of Mississauga. The Museums are grateful to the Ontario Ministry of Culture for operating funding under the Community Museums Operating Grant Program.