

---

## **Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee**

### **Date**

2018/06/19

### **Time**

6:00 PM

### **Location**

Civic Centre, Committee Room A - Second Floor,  
300 Civic Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1 Ontario

### **Members**

Joseph Zammit Citizen Member (Chair)  
Councillor Karen Ras, Ward 2  
Councillor John Kovac, Ward 4  
Wendy Davies, Citizen Member  
Joyce Delves, Citizen Member  
Anne Fabierkiewicz, Citizen Member  
Irfan Malik, Citizen Member  
Kris Noakes, Citizen Member  
Alla Petritsyna, Citizen Member  
*Ex-Officio:* Geoff Gooderham, Descendent of the Harris Family

### **Contact**

Mumtaz Alikhan, Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services  
905-615-3200 ext. 5425  
[mumtaz.alikhan@mississauga.ca](mailto:mumtaz.alikhan@mississauga.ca)

### **Find it Online**

<http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/museumscommittee>

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST
4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
  - 4.1. Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee Minutes dated November 28, 2017
5. DEPUTATIONS
6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD - 15 Minute Limit (5 Minutes per Speaker)  
Pursuant to Section 42 of the Council Procedure By-law 0139-2013, as amended the Heritage Advisory Committee may grant permission to a member of the public to ask a question of the Committee with the following provisions:
  1. The question must pertain to a specific item on the current agenda and the speaker will state which item the question is related.
  2. A person asking a question shall limit any background explanation to two (2) statements, followed by the question.
  3. The total speaking time shall be five (5) minutes maximum per speaker.
7. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED
  - 7.1. Update – Museums of Mississauga
  - 7.2. Future Vision of Museums of Mississauga
  - 7.3. Friends of the Museums of Mississauga Update
8. INFORMATION ITEMS
9. OTHER BUSINESS
10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TBD (March 2019)
11. ADJOURNMENT

City of Mississauga  
**Minutes**



---

## **Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee**

**Date**

2017/11/28

**Time**

6:00 PM

**Location**

Civic Centre, Committee Room A - Second Floor,  
300 Civic Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1

**Members Present**

Joseph Zammit, Citizen Member (Chair)  
Councillor Karen Ras, Ward 2  
Councillor John Kovac, Ward 4  
Wendy Davies, Citizen Member  
Joyce Delves, Citizen Member  
Anne Fabierkiewicz, Citizen Member  
Kris Noakes, Citizen Member  
Alla Petritsyna, Citizen Member

**Members Absent**

Irfan Malik, Citizen Member  
Descendent of the Harris Family (*ex-officio*)

**Staff Present**

Merri Fergusson, Acting Museums Manager  
Mumtaz Alikhan, Legislative Coordinator

**Find it online**

<http://www.mississauga.ca/portal/cityhall/heritageadvisory>

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:06 PM

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**APPROVED** (Councillor J. Kovac)

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1. Approval of Minutes of September 19, 2017 Meeting

**APPROVED** (J. Delves)

5. DEPUTATIONS

5.1. Story of M - Meghan Johnston, Marketing Coordinator, Culture Division

Meghan Johnston, Marketing Coordinator, Culture Division, provided a Power Point Update on the *Story of M* Project. She noted that the *The Story of M* asks residents to share the stories that define what life in Mississauga means to them, what they love about Mississauga, what's important to them, and why it feels like home. Ms. Meghan noted that Phase I of a three phase project is theme collection through outreach and engagement initiatives to help identify reoccurring themes for use in program exhibitions at the Museums of Mississauga, expanding the current collection, heritage conservation, protection and interpretation. She said Phase II will commence in early 2018 when there will be a public call for artifacts and stories that directly relate to the themes, followed by Phase III at the end of 2018 which will focus on continuing to enhance the Museum's collection, and to identify relevant themes as part of an ongoing work plan. Ms. Johnston noted that the objective is to develop a living document for the Museums of Mississauga and using stories to develop themes.

The Chair thanked Ms. Johnston for her informative presentation.

**RECOMMENDATION**

MOMAC-0006-2017

That the Update with respect to the *Story of M* by Meghan Johnston, Marketing Coordinator, Culture Division, to the Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee at its meeting held on November 28, 2017, be received for information.

**RECEIVED** (Councillor K. Ras)

5.2. Culture Master Plan - Mojan Jianfar, Assistant Planner, Culture and Heritage Planning  
Mojan Jianfar, Assistant Planner, Culture and Heritage Planning, provided a Power

Point update as Project Lead for the Culture Master Plan. She noted that Phase 1 and Phase 2 are complete and invited Committee Members to a public meeting scheduled for November 30, 2017 with details to follow.

Committee Members made the following comments:

- Over the years several studies have been concluded, yet not much action has come from them;
- Developing partnerships;
- Developing space;
- Promoting creativity and not just focus on stories.

Ms. Jianfar spoke to the existing spaces the City has and their enhancement as well as partnerships. Councillor Ras noted that the Mississauga Arts Council reaches out directly to the creative community. She said that this is a higher level Plan to help focus on Mississauga's cultural future. Councillor Kovac said that this is an update of the Culture Master Plan.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

MOMAC-0007-2017

That the Update with respect to the Culture Master Plan by Mojan Jianfar, Assistant Planner, Culture and Heritage Planning, to the Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee at its meeting held on November 28, 2017, be received for information.

**RECEIVED** (Councillor K. Ras)

6. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD – Nil.

7. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

7.1. Museums of Mississauga - Report July – December 2017

Merri Fergusson, Acting Manager, provided an overview of the Museums activities from July to December 2017. She advised that the Small Arms Building will be twinned with the Museums of Mississauga and each section will have a site specific supervisor. She also spoke to the search for a new Museums Manager which is currently underway.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

MOMAC-0008-2017

That the Museums of Mississauga Update from Merri Fergusson, Acting Museums Manager, to the Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee at its meeting held on November 28, 2017, be received for information.

**RECEIVED** (A. Fabriekiewicz)

7.2. Update from Friends of the Museums of Mississauga (Friends)

Joyce Delves, as Chair of the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga, provided an overview of activities and events at the Museums over the Summer months, specifically the *On the Verandah* series which provide funding for the Friends bussing program which is well used by school children. She also updated the Committee on events scheduled over the as well as plans for the Fall and Christmas season.

Ms. Delves spoke to the challenges that the Friends are presently experiencing as there are only five members of the Board doing all the work due to several resignations. She noted that the Friends could use more help from dedicated, not transient, volunteers.

**RECOMMENDATION**

MOMAC-0009-2017

That the Friends of the Museums of Mississauga Update by Joyce Delves, Citizen Member, to the Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee at its meeting held on November 28, 2017, be received for information.

**RECEIVED** (A. Petritsyna)

7.3. Resignation of John Pegram and Barbara Tabuno from MOMAC

The resignations of John Pegram and Barbara Tabuno were considered with regret. The Committee spoke of the considerable efforts of Mr. Pegram to the Museums of Mississauga since its inception and he will be missed. Ms. Tabuno noted that as a new mother, she regretfully had to resign her position on the Committee.

The Chair noted that the position of Vice-Chair is now vacant with Ms. Tabuno's resignation and asked if it be filled given that MOMAC's current Term is near the end. Councillor Ras said that the duties of chair could be fulfilled by either Councillor Kovac or herself in the event the Chair was unable to do so.

**RECOMMENDATION**

MOMAC-0010-2017

That the resignation of John Pegram, and Barbara Tabuno from the Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee, be received.

**RECEIVED** (W. Davies)

7.4. 2018 Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule Memorandum dated November 9, 2017 from Mumtaz Alikhan, Legislative Coordinator.

**RECOMMENDATION**

MOMAC-0011-2017

That the Memorandum dated November 9, 2017, from Mumtaz Alikhan, Legislative Coordinator, with respect to the Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee 2018 Meeting schedule, be received.

**RECEIVED** (A. Fabierkiewicz)

8. INFORMATION ITEMS – Nil.
9. OTHER BUSINESS – Nil.
10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - March 20, 2018
11. ADJOURNMENT – 7:33 PM

DRAFT

City of Mississauga  
**Memorandum**



Date: 2018/06/05  
 To: Chair and Members of Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee  
 From: Noa Bronstein, Museums Manager  
 Meeting Date: 2018/06/19  
 Subject: Update – Museums of Mississauga

**Activity Report March 5, 2018 – November 25, 2018**

**Exhibitions**

*Voices from the Engraver* | March 8 – May 24, 2018 | Bradley Museum

Experience the creative process, the technical skill and the sheer artistry that underlies every series of Canadian stamps and bank notes from concept to final product. Original art, printing plates, videos, interactives, rare stamps, and money—lots of money—are waiting for you in this fun, informative and enriching look into the beauty and intricacy of Canadian stamps and bank notes.

Aimed at youth, families and adults, this exhibition is rich with artifacts and hands-on interactives and is accompanied by school and general programming. Design your own currency or stamps, reproduce the beautifully elaborate patterns of classic bank notes and browse through a millennium's worth of engravers and engraving history.

*Black Sauga Voices* | March 10-31, 2018 | Celebration Square

Black Sauga Voices is an exhibition that shares the stories of the city that have not been included in the story of Mississauga. The exhibition was presented on the Screens at Celebration Square. This project was co-presented by Myseum of Toronto.

*Youth Activism* | August 2018 | Celebration Square

In partnership with the Digital Public Art program, Museum's is proud to present a digital exhibit on the screens at Celebration Square that focuses on the theme of youth activism and youth's role in advocating for more equitable public spaces.

*Aesthetics of Surfaces* by Shellie Zhange | September 15 – November 25, 2018 | Bradley Museum

Shellie Zhange's exhibition features artwork that examines the many ways that objects convey meaning and provide context for larger conversations about history and identity. This project will bring together contemporary works with highlights from the Museum's permanent collection.



Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee	7.1 - 2	2018/06/05	2
--	---------	------------	---

---

*Beyond Sit & Stay: Dogs in our Service* | September 26 – November 22, 2018 | Benares Historic House

This exhibit takes the point of view that the working relationship between a service dog and its handler is built on deep personal connections. A partnership that matches the right dog for the job with the right person for the job, and that provides very real and substantial support networks in our community.

### **Education**

*Mother's Day High Tea* | May 12 and 13, 2018 | Benares Historic House

Spend this Mother's Day indulging in the art of high tea while exploring one of Mississauga's oldest heritage homes. The afternoon features a comprehensive look at authentic 1950s fashion pieces curated by Norma Shephard, founder and director of the Mobile Millinery Museum. Reservations required.

*Downton Abbey Tea* | February 4 – December 2, 2018 | Benares Historic House

Join us and discover the "upstairs and downstairs" stories of the Harris and Sayers families and their domestic staff. Tour the house with guides who will highlight the lives of the family during the war years. Enjoy a traditional cream tea with tasty treats and a variety of teas while discussing the love interests of the Crawley women and the goings on below stairs. Don't forget to wear your best hat and gloves, historic or contemporary!

*World War I Day* | October 28-29, 2018 | Benares Historic House

As an extension of our educational mandate, World War I Day at Benares House offers students a unique and immersive learning experience. Throughout the full-day program students participate in a series of hands-on activities where they learn about what life was like for Soldiers serving on the front lines in World War I and what life was like for those who remained in Canada on the home front.

### **Events**

*Maple Magic* | March 10-18, 2018 | Bradley Museum

Mississauga's favourite maple tradition returns to the Bradley Museum for March Break. Learn how to tap a tree then follow the sap lines to the kitchen where maple treats await. Enjoy an afternoon of truly Canadiana-themed fun. This year's event was a great success and brought in new audiences.

*On the Verandah 2018* | Benares Historic House

This programming series offers outdoor concerts at Benares every Friday from June through August. Performances celebrate local talent. Light refreshments are available for purchase at each concert.

*Steampunk Invasion: Mad Science* | July 21, 2018 | Benares Historic House

This isn't your average day at the Museum! Unleash your imagination and travel back in time to the strange and curious world of Steampunk at Benares Historic House. Shop the Steampunk market, indulge in tasty treats and prepare to be amazed with Mad Science themed acts with a steampunk twist!

### **Engagement**

*Black Sauga Voices* | Panel Discussion | March 31, 2018 | Glass Pavilion

Presented in partnership with Myseum of Toronto, this panel discussion offered an innovative presentation on Afrofuturism, heritage, and gathering of stories of lived experience to represent this time. The program was at capacity with 80 people in attendance.

*Performance by artist-in-residence Camille Turner* | September 8, 2018 | Central Library

This interactive performance by renowned artist Camille Turner will address issues of belonging and history from a multitude of perspectives.

*Artist talk with Shellie Zhange* | October 18, 2018 | Art Gallery of Mississauga

Artist talk on Zhange's practice and her project at Bradley will be presented at the Art Gallery of Mississauga in order to encourage dialogue between our institutions.

### **Museums Statistics:**

Overall Attendance:

2016: 30,200

2017: 36,884

Visitors:

2016: 11,490

2017: 17,253

Programs:

2016: 6,337

2017: 4,846

Events:

2016: 6,132

2017: 8,551

### **Social Media Statistics November 2017 – March 2018**

Facebook:

- 2066 new page views
- 1236 Page Likes

## Twitter

- Total followers: 5151
- New Followers since November 2017: 308

Respectfully submitted,



---

Noa Bronstein  
Museums Manager

City of Mississauga  
**Memorandum**



---

Date: 2018/06/05  
To: Chair and Members of Museums of Mississauga Advisory Committee  
From: Noa Bronstein, Museums Manager  
Meeting Date: 2018/06/19  
Subject: Future Vision of Museums of Mississauga

---

The vision of the Museums of Mississauga is to ensure that unique programs and exhibits meaningfully welcome new and existing audiences.

Continuing on the trajectory that the museums have been on for the past several years, I plan to work with my colleagues to broaden our programs and strategies of engagement. We will continue to provide the successful, ongoing programs that the Museums has cultivated over several years, including *Maple Magic*. Additionally, we will work with contemporary artists to realize the recommendations outlined in our Culture Master Plan, including focusing on living heritage, community self-representation and creating opportunities for equity-seeking artists and groups. These contemporary projects, which include exhibits, talks and tours, will focus on the intersections of the past, present and future.

Further to this strategy, we will continue to explore unconventional avenues of programming that present the museum as a concept not merely as a building or a site. Building off of the success of recent projects such as *Black Sauga Voices*, this fall we will be presenting an exhibition of works by emerging artists curated by This is Worldtown which is a digital hub for featuring the first person expression of women of colour, globally, across storytelling mediums.

Partnerships will continue to be of great importance in realizing new and existing projects. As such, I am planning to engage in new partnerships that extend our financial and conceptual resources and allow us to share audiences with established programming organizations.

**Main objectives:**

- Expand our audience
- Create more awareness of cultural programs
- Create new learning opportunities
- Build new connections across the province
- Contribute to visual literacy locally
- Increase the Museum's profile locally and regionally

Respectfully submitted,



---

Noa Bronstein  
Museums Manager