



Visit Your Local Museums During Heritage Week

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George encourages residents to visit local museums during Heritage Week, February 15 to 21, to learn more about our regions' heritage.

"We have a rich history that is on display at our local museums. The staff and volunteers at our museums, art galleries and heritage sites work hard to interpret the stories that bring our heritage alive," said Regional District Chair Art Kaehn.

Many of the cultural sites have admission by donation or for a small charge. Larger facilities like The Exploration Place and Two Rivers Gallery support smaller cultural sites such as the Mackenzie, McBride and Valemount Museums with curatorial expertise, training, exhibit loans and traveling art shows.

"Currently the Exploration Place Museum is featuring 'We are Winter', an exhibit highlighting last year's Canada Winter Games held in Prince George and region," said Kaehn. "In addition the Valley Museum and Archives in McBride has a fascinating display on Musical History in the Robson Valley, on display until April 2" he added.

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George has a five-year Cultural Plan that includes funding for eight cultural facilities in the region and the Golden Raven cultural marketing program. The plan aims to promote local heritage and culture, increase visits by residents and tourists and encourage partnerships and information sharing between cultural organizations.

Annual funding is provided to the following museums, galleries and cultural sites:

- The Exploration Place Science Centre and Museum - Prince George
- Two Rivers Gallery - Prince George
- Central B.C. Railway and Forestry Museum – Prince George
- Huble Homestead Historic Site - 40 km north of Prince George (re-opens May 21, site open to the public during winter for snowshoeing and cross country skiing)
- Mackenzie and District Museum Society
- Whistle Stop Gallery - McBride
- Valley Museum and Archives - McBride
- Valemount and Area Museum and Archives (re-opens May 15)

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