



## Committee Report

**To:** Chair and  
Members of the Museum Committee

**From:** Cathy McGirr  
Director, Museum & Cultural Services

**Date:** December 1, 2022

**Re:** Programming Report December 2022

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### Staff Recommendation:

The Programming Report is for Information.

### Background:

#### **Fad or Future Muse-Talk, October 12<sup>th</sup>**

On October 12, Rob Theriault, Immersive Technology Manager at Georgian College, gave a lecture on virtual reality (VR) technology. Attended by interested Bruce County community members, this Muse-Talk also gave audience members a chance to wear a VR headset and have an in-depth VR experience. We received great positive feedback from the public related to this opportunity. Muse-Talks are sponsored by Georgian College.



A woman making a VR painting



Rob Theriault explaining Virtual Reality art

#### **Making a Monologue: Never-too-Late Acting Classes, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**

On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, a group of interested seniors participated in an acting workshop geared toward developing new theatrical skills. This workshop was a companion piece to our Breakout of the Bruce Bus Trip to Stratford. The workshop had participants create a

personalized monologue based on their own experiences. This program was funded by a New Horizons for Seniors Grant.



### **Bruce Remembers 2022: Tim Cook Lecture, November 9<sup>th</sup>**

This year's "Bruce Remembers" program was moderated by Mat Johnson of Marathon of History, who interviewed author and Canadian War Museum curator Tim Cook about his latest book: *Lifesavers and Body Snatchers: Medical Care and the Struggle of Survival in the Great War*. More than 35 people, including several Legion members, attended the event. Signed copies of the book were available for purchase and sold out following the event. The event was filmed and will be on the Museum's YouTube channel by December 2.



### **Air Cadet Training Night Tour: November 15<sup>th</sup>**

On November 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm, 20 members of Southampton's 340 Griffin Air Cadet Squadron attended the Museum for their monthly training night. The evening consisted of guided and self-guided tours, and a special presentation of WWI & II Military artefacts.

### **Break Out of Bruce Bus Trip: November 17<sup>th</sup>**

The second of three bus trips in the Museum's Breaking out of Bruce Bus Trip series took place on Nov. 17 when 27 seniors took part in a day-long trip to Grey Roots Museum & Archives in Owen Sound and the Simcoe County Museum outside of Barrie. The day included a stop for lunch in Collingwood. The trip was funded by the New Horizons for Seniors Grant.

### **Muse-Talk: Inside the Atom - November 29<sup>th</sup>**

On November 29, Dr. Eric Johnston of the Nuclear Innovation Institute (NII) gave a lecture as a part of our Muse-Talk Series. Dr. Johnson's lecture centered on the atom and explained how nuclear forces work and how we use these interactions in our everyday lives. Muse-Talks are sponsored by Georgian College.

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Santa Visits**

**December 3, 10, 17 | 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

**December 15 | 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM**

Ho Ho Ho-ld the dates! This December, Santa will be visiting the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre. Come for a holiday photo and meet the big man himself!

Members FREE. General Admission Applies | Preregistration is required.

<https://www.brucemuseum.ca/event/santa-visits/>

### **Light-Up the Holidays**

**December 15 | 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM**

Celebrate the winter season with the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre as we host our second annual Light-Up the Holidays event! This evening of family fun will include a visit from Santa, a vendor's market, hot bevies, and much more!

All ages | Preregister or purchase your tickets at the door!

**Proudly presented by Enbridge and supported by Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO)**

<https://www.brucemuseum.ca/event/light-up-the-holidays/>

### **Winter Movie Musicals - Dec. 28, 29, 30 | 1:00 PM**

**Dec. 28** Les Miserables (2012, PG-13)

**Dec. 29** Fiddler on the Roof (1971, G)

**Dec. 30** Mary Poppins (1964, G)

Members FREE. General Admission Applies | Preregistration is required.

<https://www.brucemuseum.ca/event/winter-movie-musicals/>

## **Financial/Staffing/Legal/IT Considerations:**

There are no financial, staffing, legal or IT considerations associated with this report.

**Interdepartmental Consultation:**

No interdepartmental consultation took place regarding this report.

**Link to Strategic Goals and Elements:**

Goal #3 - Find creative new ways to engage our public.

**Museum Strategic Plan Alignments:**

Strategic Pillar #1 - Expanding BCM&CC's role as a community hub for the entire County

Objective 1.2: Establish BCM&CC as a centre of cultural activity

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