



Red Deer Museum + Art Gallery
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2011 - 2012 SCHOOL PROGRAMS



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on so many levels!

Partners in Education

The Red Deer Museum + Art Gallery provides multi-sensory, unique learning experiences for all kinds of learners.

MAG school programs complement and integrate the Alberta curriculum with hands-on, minds-on, activities that bring cultural history and art to life, provoke discussion, and explore the context of this place, this moment, and our shared future.

There are a variety of programs to choose from, each relating to exhibit themes presented throughout the year. Programs are not limited to this offering; teachers are encouraged to call ahead so that we can customize an area to meet your specific needs.

With our Stewart Discovery Studio we can accommodate two elementary classes – to help you save on bussing costs and make the most of your time at the MAG.

Rod Trentham

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The instructor had a good knowledge of print-making techniques and a great rapport with children. Right at the student's level and exceptionally well-organized.

Grades 3-5, Joseph Welsh Elementary

**What's
NEW?**

Take a look at the 2011 – 2012 program information. Details are listed, but you select the date! Call to discuss arrangements that suit your schedule and your class needs. Guided or self-guided options are available.

To ensure your visit is as enjoyable as possible, we request that you book your program well in advance.

Call 403-309-8405 to schedule your visit, or go to the MAG website (www.reddeermuseum.com) to download the registration form. Fax the completed form to 403-343-6644, or email to museum@reddeer.ca.

FALL 2011

For You the War is Over Second World War POW Experiences

Dates: October 22, 2011 – January 15, 2012

During the Second World War, the Allied and Axis Powers captured enemy combatants and detained them in prison camps until the end of the War. Lethbridge and Medicine Hat had the largest German POW camps in Canada with around 11,000 prisoners in each camp. Students will learn about the Geneva Convention and what life was like for German POWs in contrast to Canadian POWs in Germany.



Photo: 19871130001 Galt Museum & Archives; Prisoner Of War Camp #133, Lethbridge 1942



Prisoner of War: Stories from Red Deer and District



There will be short inquiry tasks built into the program.
Artifact: Robert Hill's Diary, courtesy of The King's Own Calgary Regimental Archives

Dates: October 25, 2011 – January 13, 2012

Ages: Grades 4 – 8

Max: 2 Classes / booking

Time: 1.5 hours

Cost: Guided – \$4.50 / student, Self-guided – \$2.00 / student

The Red Deer Museum and Art Gallery has an excellent Second World War collection including hands-on artifacts and photographs. Many first person stories of local veterans that were interned in German POW camps are presented. Learn how Red Deer supported the troops during these difficult times.

A Log School Christmas

Kindergartners will experience a Christmas program in a replica of Red Deer's first school in Heritage Square. We will then move to Museum for more hands-on art activities. The Log School is heated.

Dates: Tuesday, December 6 – Wednesday, December 21

Age: Kindergarten

Max: 2 Classes / booking

Time: 1.5 hours

Cost: \$3.50 / student

WINTER 2012

Uuturautiit: 50 years of Cape Dorset Printmaking

Dates: January 14, 2012 – April 1, 2012

This anniversary show, organized by the National Gallery of Canada and Cape Dorset Fine Arts pairs recent works with the complete 1959 inaugural collection. Compare Inuit life in the artist's images. Examine the changes in media and method. The artwork provides a visual record of an important industry in Cape Dorset over the past 50 years. The MAG is the only Alberta stop for this important exhibition. This is a bilingual exhibit.



Mayureak Ashoona: Tuulirjuaq (Great Big Loon) 2009, Stonecut and stencil on wove paper, 102.3 x 74.0, Collection of Dorset Fine Arts

Inuit Art, Culture and Tradition

The MAG has an extensive Inuit art collection including prints, carvings and sculpture. Students will look at the materials and techniques used, and discover how art helped to keep Inuit culture and traditional stories alive. We also have wonderful examples of Inuit clothing and traditional tools. Students will get a glimpse into traditional Inuit life and culture. To finish up, students will try different techniques to create an art work in our Stewart Discovery Studio.

Dates: January 16, 2012 – March 30, 2012

January 31 – March 2 (for both exhibitions)

Age: Grade 2 – Grade 5

Max: 2 Classes / booking

Time: 2 hours

Cost: \$4.50 / student, Self-guided – \$2.00 / student

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SPRING 2012

Food for Health

From the Canada Agriculture Museum in Ottawa

With hands-on interactive components, multi-media technology and historical artifacts, Food For Health looks at food safety and the role food plays in good health. Discover the links between diet, physical activity and obesity – from a consumer perspective. A great experience for the whole family. This is a bilingual exhibition.

Lots of additional information can be viewed online. Educational Activity Kits have been developed to complement the show. Ask for more information.



Dates: April 17, 2012 – June 20, 2012
Age: Grades 2 – 5
Max: 1 Class / booking
Time: 2 hours
Cost: \$4.50 / student, Self guided – \$2.00 / student

It was a great day. Everyone (staff and students) raved about it when back at school!

Grade 5, Poplar Ridge School

A Prairie Community in the Past: Log School & Food For Health Exhibit

Experience a class in Red Deer's first log school in Heritage Square! What was school like back then? Tour the exhibit and then meet in the Discovery Room for hands-on session using artefacts from the Study Collection. For a full-day, add a Red Deer Historical Walking Tour.

Dates: May 8, 2012 – June 20, 2012
Age: Grade 2
Max: 2 classes
Time: 2 hours (4 hours with Walking Tour)
Cost: \$4.50 / student
\$8.00 / student for a full day experience

Red Deer Historical Walking Tours

Students visit historical buildings, talk about some of the bronze ghosts, and hear the stories of early Red Deerians. Select your tour and we'll arrange a tour to suit your schedule. Bring your camera phones.

Dates: May 8, 2012 – June 20, 2012
Age: All ages
Max: 1 Class / booking
Time: 1.5 hours
Cost: \$3.50

17th Annual Heritage School Fairs Project

An ideal inquiry process for Grades 4 through 9 – those grades looking at Canadian History. Students present their work using the format of their choice; they can perform it, build it, write it – poetry essays and scripts – draw it, digitize or any of the above. Students are encouraged to interview community elders and utilize community resources like Museums, Libraries and Archives, to conduct their research.



Participating schools will provide a venue for students to present their history project at school or a parent evening. A selection will be exhibited at the Red Deer Museum and Art Gallery. We can help; for information call: Rod Trentham at 403.309.8445.

Middle School + High School Students ↓

Come explore the MAG. Students will engage in critical thinking challenges that transfer back to the classroom environment.

Max: 1 Class / booking
Time: 1 hour
Cost: Guided or self-guided options

For You the War is Over Second World War POW Experiences, PLUS Prisoner of War: Stories from Red Deer and District

Dates: October 22, 2011 - January 15, 2012

Two exhibitions will present first person stories of POW experiences. Explore the unique ideologies and collective responses to this global event. Learn how Red Deer supported the troops during these difficult times. Students will use letters, diaries, photos and artefacts to learn what life was like for German POWs in Canada in contrast to Canadian POWs in Germany.

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10 out of 10! Students were engaged throughout the session. Educator was knowledgeable, flexible and respectful.

Grade 8, Glendale School

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Visiting Inuit Artist @ the MAG

Dates: February 20, 2012 – March 2, 2012

The MAG has invited Inuit artists represented in the show to be in the galleries for two weeks! Middle School and High School Art Classes are encouraged to visit during this time. An artist visit to your school may be an option. Call for details.

Red Deer College Student Exhibition

Dates: March 14, 2012 – April 8, 2012

This annual year end exhibition highlights the beginning of many young careers. In a two-year program, the Collage builds a strong foundation in artistic skills and media. The works in this exhibition provide an opportunity for students to see the variety of subjects in the Visual Arts Program, which represents the spectrum vital to the next generation of artists.



The students really enjoyed the log schoolhouse experience. Museum Educators were awesome!

Grade 2, John Wilson Elementary

COMING
FALL 2012

For Profit and Ambition: The Canadian Fur Trade 1779 – 1821

The *For Profit and Ambition* exhibition profiles the North West Company, an extraordinary consortium of Montreal entrepreneurs, Scottish explorers, French Canadian voyageurs, Metis Bison hunters, Aboriginal trappers and "country wives." Together they created a commercial empire, opened new routes across the continent and laid the ground work for the Canada we know today. Best suited for grades 5 & 7, or any other grade interested.

INFO FOR TEACHERS ↓

Booking: Please book your programs at least two weeks in advance. We will e-mail a confirmation form back to you. Self-guided tours must be booked in advance. We request two weeks notice if you need to cancel or reschedule a visit. Failure to notify will result in a \$20 cancellation fee.

Payment: Full payment is due upon arrival. Pay by Cash, Cheque, Debit, Visa or Mastercard.

Max: We request no more than two classes for Elementary; one class for higher grades. Schools are requested to supply one adult per six students for Elementary classes. Name Tags really help us. There is limited space for lunch but we will have options.

Parking: Bus drop off is at the front of the museum. Parking is on the west side of the parking lot. There is an overflow option.

It was wonderful how accommodating the Museum was to make our visit fit our time and still be fulfilling and useful. Thanks for a great afternoon!

Grade 5, St. Elizabeth Seton