



**2022 Fall
Newsletter**

Fort Frances Museum & Cultural Centre

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Current Exhibit

Fort Frances, ON – This exhibit, the first in a series about Fort Frances businesses, has been a long time coming. The idea for the exhibit began in 2019 when former Curator, Beverly Cochrane was putting together another exhibit; “as I was reading through different articles about that area, learning about the businesses in Fort Frances, looking at pictures of places, I thought this is some really good information, and it would be nice for the public to learn about.” Cochrane and longtime museum volunteer Maxine Hayes, decided to create the exhibit which was initially planned to start in December 2020. However, the COVID-19 pandemic led to the postponement of the exhibit, until now.

For this first exhibit of the series, we decided to focus on the history of Front St. and Scott St., the main business districts of Fort Frances.

We also invite community members to share their own business or COVID-19 stories on our interactive wall.

Important Dates

— Exhibits —

- **Fort Frances Businesses - This internally curated exhibit focuses on the history of Fort Frances businesses. On from October 28 to February 28, 2023***
- **Cher Pruys - Internationally renowned artist, Cher Pruys, will be exhibiting some of her work at the Museum. On from March 3, 2023 to May 31, 2023***
- **TBD - On from June 2, 2023 to August 19, 2023***
- **Forget Me Not: Remembering Our War Dead - On from August 22, 2023 to December 31, 2023**

*Dates subject to change.

Fall Workshops

Registration at the museum, or via email, phone, or Facebook DM.
Full payment must accompany registration. Cash, cheque, or EMT
(ffmuseumfriends@gmail.com)

REGISTER EARLY, CLASS SIZE IS LIMITED!

Christmas Cookie Decorating

Instructor: Meghan Spooner

December 10 1PM- 4PM

Cost: \$20

Candy Making Fudge & Caramels

Instructor: Debbie Ballard

November 26, 1 PM- 4PM

Cost: \$20/pair



Christmas Floral Arrangement

Instructor: Jenny Coats

December 21, 6PM - 9PM

Cost: \$50

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RAINY LAKE SQUARE



Mimi O'Bonsawin took to the stage on August 4, 2022 and put on an amazing show!

Our Thursday markets have wrapped up, as has our Rainy Lake Performer Series. We want to say a massive thank you to all of our vendors and performers for a fantastic year! Special thanks to our sponsors of the Rainy Lake Performer Series, Tbaytel, and New Gold! Thank you for supporting this great series.

We were thrilled to have performers Bill Simms, Mimi O'Bonsawin, and comedian Big Daddy Tazz take to the stage this year!

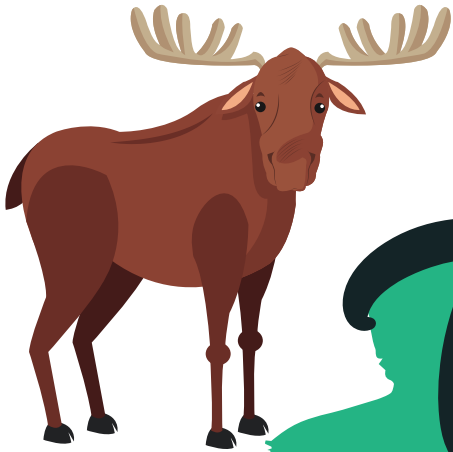
Follow our Facebook page (@rainylakesquare) to see the list of future events happening in the square - including concerts, comedy shows, BBQ's, and so much more!

Contact us for more information about booking the square or to learn about upcoming events!



Follow the
@RainyLake Square
facebook page for
up to date event
info!

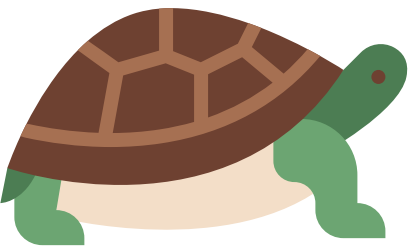
Check out our Facebook page (@rainylakesquare) to see the list of future concerts, performances, and events happening in the square!



Thank
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To all of our sponsors!



We are thrilled with how the event unfolded and with how many people came out to see the fantastic performances. While we only had a few cultural groups represented, we feel the performers represented the spirit behind this revival. This modern conception of Culturama is focused, not on creating cultural silos or drawing lines between groups, but on inclusion, celebrating diversity, and building community through cultural interaction and sharing experiences together.

We learned a lot from the planning and execution of this year's Culturama and are already looking forward to next year's event! Thank you so much to the steering committee, as well as all the sponsors, volunteers, vendors, and performers who made this revival possible.

We would love to hear your favourite part of this year's event!

UPDATE - OPERATING HOURS

Please be advised that the museum will be closed from November 1st to November 20th as we strive to enhance the museum experience for our patrons, and begin transitioning to a new Curator.

For more information, please contact 807-274-4561.

Thank you!

FORT FRANCES MUSEUM
AND RECREATIONAL CULTURAL CENTRE



It's a great time to get a museum membership or renew your expired one!

Museum Membership

The Fort Frances Museum & Cultural Centre is located on Treaty #3 Territory in the heart of downtown Fort Frances in Northwestern Ontario. Founded in 1978, The Museum's mission is to collect, preserve, and exhibit items, stories, and local knowledge that depict the story of the Town, the land, and its people. Originally constructed as a schoolhouse in 1898, the Museum continues to be an educational resource to the community, offering interpretive tours and permanent galleries with a focus on local and regional history, a variety of traveling and locally curated exhibits, an extensive local archive, and a collections space with over 10,000 items. In addition to the main building, we also maintain two heritage sites, a logging tugboat and a lookout tower located on the waterfront which overlook the beautiful Manidoo Ziibi (Rainy River). The Museum is a welcoming space for all people; a place for learning, teaching, and sharing different ways of knowing, because everyone should know where they come from.

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What's up for 2022

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This year has been focused on developing new and exciting programming and content to share with all of our visitors. In the summer, we are planning on offering the first in a series of guided walking tours where patrons will learn the unique histories of a variety of historic sites and buildings around town. We are also excited to share some new exhibits with our visitors, including the temporary travelling exhibit, My Story, My Tattoo, and internally curated exhibits focused on the history of Fort Frances businesses and the history of Culturama.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> New Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Patron \$100-\$249 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining \$250-\$499 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor \$500-\$999 | <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor \$1000+ |

We sincerely thank all of you for your continued support of the Museum and all of our initiatives! Your generosity is much appreciated!

Cash or cheque payable to the Town of Fort Frances

Your museum membership gets you into the museum for free! Stay tuned for additional membership perks!