



DUNDAS MUSEUM & ARCHIVES

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Press Release

Dundas Museum and Archives Awarded \$93,900 Ontario Trillium Foundation Capital Grant to Fund Renovations

Museum closure scheduled from June 10 until July 20

Dundas, Ont. May 11: The Dundas Museum and Archives is the recipient of a \$93,900 Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) Capital grant to provide improvements to our exhibition spaces. The Museum galleries will be closed from June 10 until July 20 to complete this undertaking. The archives reference room will be closed from June 4 to July 20.

This project will begin a process of transforming all three Museum upper galleries into flexible and fully accessible spaces. With these renovations, the Museum will improve its ability to include multi-media content in our exhibitions and programming, support the purchase of five custom Community Curator exhibit cases and create a modern Wi-Fi network to help power our education programs. The focus is on energy efficiency, accessibility and laying the groundwork for future projects.

“Thanks to the Ontario Trillium Foundation, the Museum will have the necessary infrastructural foundation to create and support inspirational visitor experiences in new and innovative ways,” said Kevin Puddister, Curator and General Manager of the Dundas Museum and Archives.

The Museum is a place where learning about history is an active and social experience, inspiring children and adults to learn more about the many dimensions of our town’s past. The Museum is a community asset, a place to learn about our common history, a meeting space to share ideas and engage in dialogue about where we are headed in the future.

The permanent gallery currently houses *Cradled in the Valley*. Developed in 2006, this exhibit has been telling the story of Dundas to visitors from all over the world for the last decade. The final day to see this exhibit will be Sat. June 9.

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About Dundas Museum & Archives

Established in 1956, the private, non-profit Dundas Museum & Archives preserves, interprets, exhibits, and provides access to the artifacts and archives of the people, families, organizations, and businesses in Dundas and area. The Museum is free of charge and located at 139 Park Street West in Dundas.

About Ontario Trillium Foundation

The Ontario Trillium Foundation is an agency of the Government of Ontario, and one of Canada's largest granting foundations. With a budget of over \$136 million, OTF awards grants to some 1,000 projects every year to build healthy and vibrant Ontario communities.