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OVERVIEW OF THE MONTH

The sun is shining, the flowers are blooming, and the Murney Tower Team has been hard at work! Looking back, this month held some pretty significant developments: we received an amazing number of responses to our Strategic Plan Survey, we welcomed a new team of summer staff members, and we launched our very own website. We are also still running our SLOGAN CONTEST. Visit our website or social media for a chance to WIN!

First off, we would like to welcome our summer staff: Sam Nicholls, Annabeth Deakin, and Alison Dringenberg. You'll get to know them in the coming months, and can read more about them on our website! We would also like to extend our gratitude to the community for your participation in our Strategic Plan Survey. This comprehensive survey allowed us to collect feedback from the public in order to develop the museum's next five-year plan. We received hundreds of responses, which the team is now busy reading and analyzing. Participants were entered in a prize draw as a huge THANK YOU for participating and we will announce those results shortly. Stay tuned!

This month we also had a great time virtually participating in the Kingston Regional Heritage Fair. Looking forward, we are excited about the beginning of the C&C: Curator and Collection series starting June 9. Read on to find out more about both these events! Lastly, don't forget to check out our new website at murneytower.com! Let us know what you think!

WHAT'S ON

Murney has a brand new website and a new collection series! We have collected feedback from the community and participated in the Kingston Regional Heritage Fair.

SOCIAL MEDIA





Twitter@MurneyTower



Instagram @murneytower



YouTube MurneyTower

REMOTE

Our staff is working off-site, but you can reach us via email at:

info@murneytower.com

WEBSITE

You can now find us at www.murneytower.com

HERITAGE FAIR 2021

Each year our museum proudly runs programming at the Kingston Regional Heritage Fair. This year the fair moved online and 200 local elementary school children from grades 4-8 participated in virtual workshops and scavenger hunts. The history project competition also moved online, and one award-winning project caught our eye! Evelyn, a student from L'Acadie, presented on Kingston's Martello Towers, including Murney. Congratulations Evelyn! Murney Tower loves running programs at the Heritage Fair and we hope to see you all there next year in person! Thank you to the Kingston Historical Society for sponsoring the Fair again for 2021.





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MURNEY TOWER PRESENTS: C&C CURATOR AND COLLECTIONS

Are you interested in exploring Kingston's cultural and military history through artifacts? Murney Tower Museum has got you covered! The C&C: Curator and Collection series starts June 9th at 1:00 PM and provides an in-depth exploration of our museum's objects and archives. Each monthly session focuses on a different item from our collection, carefully selected by our curator, Simge Erdogan-O'Connor! Through an engaging conversation via Zoom, Simge takes participants on a voyage into 19th-century life in Kingston. Please sign up for our first online Zoom session to delve into our collections on eventbrite.ca. For further information email info@murneytower.com!

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The importance of building an online presence during this last year has encouraged us here at Murney Tower to re-think our virtual spaces. A significant step towards this shift has manifested through the creation of our NEW website (www.murneytower.com). Thanks to the generous financial support of Tourism Kingston and the Kingston Association of Museums, Art Galleries and Historic Sites our team was able to work with SPARK Creative Communications Agency to build the museum's first website! This is a huge step for our museum and we are thrilled to announce that the new website officially launched in May. Our website encompasses several features including, but not limited to, Collection Stories, Virtual Exhibits, a Virtual Tour, and some at-home activities for families. Be sure to explore our page for unique ways to engage with the Tower this summer!



