

MURNEY NEWS

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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WE ARE OPEN!

OVERVIEW OF THE MONTH

We can barely believe it – Murney Tower Museum is now OPEN! As of July 17, the museum officially opened its doors for the 2021 summer season. After months of remote work, we had all hands on deck preparing for a safe reopening, and the team worked hard to clean, organize, and arrange the museum in order to safely welcome visitors. This year, we are offering self-guided tours in “bubbled groups” of up to 4 people every hour on Saturdays and Sundays. Tours can be booked through Eventbrite and operate on a donation basis! We can't wait to see you - Murney has missed you!



WHAT'S ON

For the first time since summer 2019, the staff are ecstatic to welcome you back to the museum! Come and explore the history and heritage of Kingston with us!

[Book your visit today!](#)

SOCIAL MEDIA



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VISITOR INFORMATION

Open on Saturdays and Sundays, 12 PM to 6 PM (last tour at 5 PM)

Self-guided tours are available





KINGSTON'S TREASURES

Our curator made it to the big screen! In an episode that featured on July 20th, Simge was invited to chat with YourTV Kingston all about our little museum. This interview was the fifth episode of Kingston's Treasures, a segment which gives a close-up look at Kingston's local museums and other tourist attractions. In a lively discussion with host Bill Visser, Simge talked all about our history, our collections, and our programs. We're so grateful for this opportunity to share our story with the community. We can all agree - Murney Tower definitely is one of Kingston's treasures! View a teaser of the episode [here](#).

KAM BOOTH - LOVE KINGSTON MARKETPLACE

This month has been action-packed and full of events that have allowed us to re-engage with the public... and not just from behind a screen! On Friday, July 16, our Historical Interpreters spent the day at Springer Market Square, where they "camped out" at one of the Love Kingston Marketplace tents. Throughout the day, inquisitive tourists and interested locals approached our tent and asked questions about Murney Tower, Kingston Museums, and more. With our newly-printed rack cards that advertised our website, as well as our updated reopening plan, we had a successful and sunny day promoting our little tower. The booth itself was arranged by the Kingston Association of Museums, who has booked a booth for a new museum every week. If you missed us - don't worry! Other Kingston museums will be present at the booth every Friday for the rest of the summer, and of course, you can always visit us at the Tower....



MURNEY TOWER'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL! EXCITING UPDATES:

We may be on-site...but our remote work hasn't stopped! We have some more fun crafts and videos in store! During the week of Canada Day, our team decided to spend some time together and do a Murney Hat Challenge: How about Hat?! Sam planned an adorable craft where you can make your own hat that looks just like the hats worn by the Royal Canadian Rifle Regiment! We all made our own versions of the RCRR hats and personalized them with our favourite colours. And if hats are not your style, we also have our cooking channel! Our first episode investigates 19th-century recipes for bread - precisely like the bread that the soldiers in our tower would have eaten! And by the way, it was delicious! Our second episode is coming soon.....and it may or may not pair excellently with the bread. Stay tuned, we have many more fun crafts and cooking channel episodes planned to bring Murney Tower to your own home!



Murney Tower acknowledges with thanks the continued support of the City of Kingston, the Kingston Association of Museums, Art Galleries and Historic Sites, and the Kingston Historical Society.