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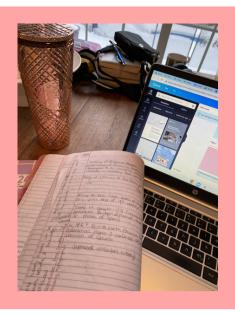
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Hello everyone,

We hope you had a great February, just as we did! On February 2nd, we got together with Mayor Bryan Paterson, Kingston Public Works Staff, and the members of the Kingston Historical Society to celebrate Kingston's snowplow, which was recently named Murney Plower! Later on February 9th, we participated in the Queen's History Job Fair to discuss our summer opportunities with passionate and eager students. We have also been busy planning our spring activities. In March, we are first participating in the Kingston-wide "March of the Museums event," which is taking place between 11 and 15 March. We will have a booth at the Museum of Healthcare and offer special arts and crafts activities all week. And there is more! Later on March 30th, we will open our doors for a special Easter Event named "Eggstream Easter Fun at the Museum." This family-friendly event includes an Easter egg hunt and Easter-themed arts and crafts at two sites: the Murney Tower Museum and the Museum of Healthcare at Kingston. Easter eggs will be hidden in both sites waiting to be discovered. Finally, in April, our Manager, Dr. Simge Erdogan-O'Connor, will participate in the Canadian Museum Association's (CMA) Annual Conference. She will present in a panel entitled "Small Museums, Big Topics" and discuss our accessibility initiatives and bilingual audio tour.







Update from EVA

During my time as an intern for the Murney Tower Museum, I have been doing a lot of interdisciplinary work and exploring different ways through which the heritage sector can connect with the community. I have been spending most of my time working on the planning of the 2024 edition of Murney Fest, a festival for the Murney Tower Museum's 99th anniversary. The event will take place on the first weekend of August 2024. Throughout my planning process, I have been organizing and attending meetings with potential collaborators and communicating with various local artists and companies. I hope to celebrate and strengthen the bond the museum has with its community through this exciting community initiative!

Collaboration with the Agnes Etherington Art Centre

On February 2nd, we had special guests from the Agnes Etherington Art Centre. Emelie Chhangur (director), Nasrin Himada (associate curator) and the members of the Long Branch Collective visited our site as part of their experiential sound and music project. First, we had a guided tour, led by our manager and curator and then the artists explored the acoustics of the building. This experience will be part of the upcoming sound and music performance "Follow the Arc of the Sun," which will embrace the celestial precision of the spring equinox as a musical score. We are delighted to be part of such an exciting project, which will take place on March 21st at Agnes's Etherington House. For more information, check out this link here.





Update from Alexa

My first few months at Murney Tower Museum as the Programming Assistant have been nothing short of fun, powerful, and enlightening. I have been working on several projects such as developing educational programs for events such as March of the Museums. have also been creating social infographics/content and captions, which has been a new and exciting opportunity for me. Lastly, I started working on developing an access guide for the museum to improve the accessibility of our site and services. Accessibility is something I am extremely passionate about, the first few weeks working on this guide have been amazing and remarkably informative. I look forward to the next two months at Murney!