Museum and Culture Annual Department Update

City Council Meeting: May 09, 2023



Our Team



Members' Reception

PORT COLBORNE

Department Staff, listed left to right

Archivist, Michelle Vosburgh

Registrar, Katelynn Best

Community Engagement Officer, Meghan Chamberlain

Director, Stephanie Powell Baswick

Public Programmer, Sloane McDowell

Assistant Curator, Tami Nail

Curator, Michelle Mason

Custodian, Frank Habjan

Receptionist, Susan Nicolson

More than A Museum...

Facilities:

- Heritage Research Archives
- Volunteer Edwardian Tea Room
- Heritage Village
- Roselawn Centre
- Lighthouse Theatre (partner)
- Marine Park
- Heritage Resource Centre
- Williams' Home/ Main Gallery
- Heritage Gardens and Pavilion



Where we focus:

- Community engagement, volunteer management
- Preserving heritage and offering research services
- Annual events, workshops, speaker's series
- On-site and off-site tours and exhibitions
- Access to arts, culture and heritage
- Exhibits & programming for tourist & residents
- Partnerships: Library, Heritage Committee, Museums of Niagara Association, Friends of Roselawn Centre, Museum Auxiliary, Donors, Business and Sponsors.



Annual Report 2022





Division Name: Current Projects & Activities

2023

- May is Museum Month!
- Expanded exhibits and services (65 listed on our calendar) throughout the city of Port Colborne
- Accessibility improvements
- Job positons review for department
- Terms of Reference of Board and Heritage Committee review

Grant Supported Initiatives

- Heritage Resource Centre shelving project for art storage
- Museums Assistance Program for Digitization of Collection and storage of Textiles
- Partnering with Niagara
 Peninsula Area Aboriginal
 Management Board to offer
 Indigenous youth work
 experience
- Francophone Community
 Grant to expand services



The Museum welcomes a class from St John Basco.





Museum & Culture: Future Plans & Strategies

Planning Resources:

- Roselawn Visioning Session
- Strategic Plan for Department of Museum and Culture 2023- 2028
- Facilities Review and Accessibility Study
- Increased Staff Hours (Public Programmer and Registrar from part time to full time in 2023, and fulltime Community Engagement Officer.)
- Arts and Culture Master Plan





Thank you!

