

[View this email in your browser](#)



ASSOCIATION OF
**MANITOBA
MUSEUMS**

AMM Messenger

Keeping you in touch with the museum community in Manitoba

April 3, 2020



In this edition...

- [Advocating for our Members](#)
 - [Commemorating Residential Schools](#)
 - [Museums Online](#)
 - [Conservator Hack](#)
 - [Village News](#)
 - [HR Strategies](#)
 - [Virtual Programming](#)
 - [Economic Response Plan](#)
 - [International Council of Museums](#)
 - [Classifieds](#)
 - [Links to Resources](#)
-

Advocating for our Members

The Association of Manitoba Museums is committed to providing our community with information and assistance to help museums in Manitoba navigate through this unprecedented and difficult time.

In order to communicate the immediate, significant and unique needs of Manitoba's heritage sector to government, we ask that you devote five minutes to complete a [SURVEY](#).

We know that you have potentially participated in several COVID-19 impact surveys over the last two weeks and we would not make this request of your valuable time unless we felt it was absolutely necessary. This information is vital for us to have a clear picture of the impact of this crisis on our industry, and in leveraging any funds that may be available to mitigate the severity of its impact.

Please be assured that your contribution as a participant will remain anonymous. All findings will be reported in aggregate. Please complete only one survey per museum AS SOON AS YOU'RE ABLE.

Here is the address for the survey in case the SURVEY link didn't work for you: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L9Q526Y>

Commemorating Residential Schools

New funding available

Funding is now available, through the Department of Canadian Heritage's Celebration and Commemoration Program, for community projects and activities that commemorate the history and legacy of residential schools and that honour survivors, their families and communities.

We invite you to spread the word.

Visit the government's [WEBSITE](#) for all the details.

Museums Online

Museums in Manitoba, across the country and internationally are offering an online presence where you can go on virtual tours, view collections, and even download and print colouring books!

We've created a webpage to list all the museums (along with some music and festivals) that we know of who're offering their communities ways to stay engaged and interactive with friends and family. If your museum has an online or social media presence let us know so we can promote and share it!

Here are some of the hashtags being used:

#MuseumsFromHome (also #MuseumFromHome, #MuseumsAtHome, and #MuseumAtHome)

Visit our [WEBSITE](#) and find the page in the drop down under Find a Museum.

Conservator Hack

By Jane Dalley, CSP Conservator

Flood Outlook

I thought we might all welcome a break from thinking about COVID 19 and instead think about flooding! The Province's Hydrologic Forecast Centre has just released its March Flood Outlook which is available at https://www.gov.mb.ca/mit/floodinfo/pdf/2020/march_2020_flood_outlook_report.pdf.

At the moment, it appears that the risk of major spring flooding overall is low, with some exceptions. Above normal -to-high soil moisture levels were present last year when the ground froze and above-normal precipitation south of the border could result in major flooding in the Red River Valley once the snow starts to melt. The report states that Southern...

[Read more...](#)

Village News

By Gary Dyck

As it appeared in *The Clarion*

Write it Down! – Part One of a Series on Recording Your Family History

How is everyone doing with this new reality? Some of you are busier because of the pandemic and some of you have more time. While we are closed at the Mennonite Heritage Village, our social media is more active than ever. Find our virtual museum tours on Instagram ([mhvillage](#)) or search for [Mennonite Heritage Village on Facebook](#) or [Youtube](#). We are also part of the #museumathome movement.

One of the things I think is a great idea is to now use some time to finally write down family histories. Either ask your parents these questions or do it with your kids! It can be written out, or first recorded like a natural interview and then transcribed later. It can even be done on speakerphone or through a social video app like Zoom that has a recording feature.

[Read more...](#)

HR Strategies

By Dan Furlan, Charleswood Historical Society

Currently employers are faced with serious challenges unique to their sector and situation. Some will be able to retain staff, but others face losses of talented, trained employees. Government supports have been announced, but what can be done to cope with the immediate situation?

For employers trying to weather the storm, some employees can work at home, but many jobs don't allow that. So, what to do? We are grasping at straws here, so need to innovate.

All employers want employees to do well and contribute to the success of the business or enterprise. Employers want employees to build their knowledge and skills to contribute to that success. In normal times, however, employers seldom have time to devote to minor priorities.

[Read more...](#)

Virtual Programming

Save the date! Join the Canadian Museum Association (CMA) online April 16th.

In the absence of our CMA conference in Montreal, they are planning to offer an important day of virtual programming on April 16th. Please reserve the date in your calendars and we'll see you online! Details to follow.

Read more for [YCW](#) updates...

Economic Response Plan

The Canadian Museum Association understands museums are significantly impacted by the coronavirus. They continue to monitor related developments, to advocate on behalf of museums and to share and promote related resources.

[Read more...](#)

International Council of Museums

The quarantine measures put in place to limit the spread of COVID-19 have led to the closing of museums in several countries around the world, forcing people to stay home for their own safety and that of others. Isolation can have serious effects on mental health, leading to a feeling of helplessness that can be very unsettling - and not enough Netflix binge-watching can solve it. However, recent studies confirm that museum visits, arts and culture can help us unwind and de-stress, distracting us from the flow of information related to the illness.

Although the quarantine limits the opportunities for museums to reach their audiences, several institutions are showing great creativity and resilience by harnessing the power of social media. And The International Council of Museums (ICOM) is here to help!

[Read more...](#)

Classifieds

Vintage Radios

Our museum is deaccessioning approximately a dozen vintage radios from varying eras. If your registered museum is interested in receiving these items as a donation, please contact me for more information or photos: Pat Miles pdmiles@telus.net 403-607-6895

Suction apparatus

We are looking to donate the item pictured below to a museum here within Manitoba. This artifact came into the possession of Com-Span Inc. many years ago when we were located at 189 Evanson. From what we know of the address is that it was a Detention Home School (189 Evanson Street, Winnipeg) located near the original site of Grace Hospital. The facility served the educational needs of children who were detained, incarcerated, or taken into protective custody. Operated by the Winnipeg School Division, the Detention Home and School was later relocated to the west side of Sherbrook Street, just north of Portage Avenue.



If interested contact:

Tiffany Evans, Administrative Assistant, Com-Span Inc.

tevans@comspan.org

204-237-1804

www.comspan.ca

Links to Resources

Information regarding AMM programs, government grants, publications, and even job opportunities.

150 for 150 Exhibit

A Museum called Manitoba

An online exhibit on our website celebrating Manitoba's 150 years in and before Confederation.

Training Opportunities

- [AMM CPMP - current courses](#)
- [AMM course calendar to Sept. 2021](#)
- [Canadian Conservation Institute](#)
- [Creative Manitoba](#)
- [Manitoba Tourism Education Council \(MTEC\)](#)
- [Volunteer Manitoba](#)
- [Webinars - British Columbia Museums Association](#)

Professional Development

Bursaries/Grants:

- [CMA Bursary Program](#)
- [The Winnipeg Foundation](#)

Member News & Events

Useful Links

- [Canadian Conservation Institute \(CCI\)](#)
- [Canadian Heritage Information Network \(CHIN\)](#)
- [Creative Manitoba](#)
- [Department of Canadian Heritage](#)
- [Endow Manitoba - Heritage Trust Program](#)
- [Manitoba 150](#)
- [Museum Hack](#)
- [Province of Manitoba COVID-19 information](#)
- [Virtual Museum of Canada](#)
- [Volunteer Canada](#)
- [Volunteer Manitoba](#)

Cultural Stewardship Program (CSP)

- [What is it?](#)
- [Contact the Conservator](#)
- [Ask a Conservator](#)
- [Equipment loan](#)
- [Pest Management](#)
- [Conservator Hacks \(articles\)](#)

AMM Awards Program

Nominations may be made at any time, but August 17, 2020 is the deadline for presentations at this year's conference.

Job Opportunities

Publications

- [AMM Pest Control Guide](#)
- [AMM Standards Guide](#)
- [Canadian Conservation Institute - Conservation and preservation publications](#)
- [Log Preparation for Building Repairs](#)
- [Nomenclature for Museum Cataloging](#)
- [Nomenclature pour le catalogage des objets de musée](#)
- [Other Peoples' Heritage](#)
- [Privacy Documentation for Museums and Archives](#)
- [The End of Our Memories \(DVD\)](#)

Information on Grants

AMM Lending Library

AMM Council

AMM Staff

Become a Member

The Association of Manitoba Museums acknowledges that we are on Treaty 1 territory and the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of Anishinaabe, Cree, Oji-Cree, Dakota, and Dene Peoples, and the homeland of the Métis Nation.

Copyright © 2020 Association of Manitoba Museums, All rights reserved.
You are receiving this email because you opted in via our website.

Our mailing address is:

Association of Manitoba Museums
2060-555 Main St.
Winnipeg, Mb R3B 1C3
Canada

[Add us to your address book](#)

Want to change how you receive these emails?

You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#).

Forward to a friend <http://us19.forward-to-friend.com/forward?u=87f5164ecc9400d607136379a&id=503f2c6882&e=b0002c4d13>

