EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AT THE MUSEUMS OF MISSISSAUGA



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Early Settler Experience at Bradley Museum

Step back in time and connect with the Bradley family who immigrated here in 1811 and settled in what is now Mississauga. Explore their daily life, their local community and their First Nations neighbours through an interactive tour and hands-on activities.

Site: Bradley Museum Duration: 1.5 hours Available: Year Round Curriculum Links: Grade 1 Social Studies, Heritage and Citizenship, Relationships, Rules & Responsibilities Grade 3 Social Studies, Heritage and Citizenship, Early Settlements in Upper Canada Grade 7 History & Geography, British North America & Conflict and Change

Daily Life in the Early 20th Century

This program explores life on the home front during World War One. Meet the Harris family of Benares and explore their ancestral home through the eyes of two of the Harris children. Discover day-to-day life, traditions and celebrations in the local Clarkson community.

Site: Benares Historic House Duration: 1.5 hours Available: Year Round Curriculum Links:

Grade 1 Social Studies, Heritage and Citizenship, Relationships, Rules & Responsibilities Grade 2 Social Studies, Heritage and Citizenship, Traditions & Celebrations Grade 8 History & Geography, Canada, a Changing Society

Simple Machines

This interactive program explores the role of simple machines in our everyday lives and how these machines help accomplish common tasks. Levers, pulleys, gears, inclined planes and screws are used in many aspects of life in the 19th through 21st centuries.

Site: Bradley Museum Duration: 1.5 hours Available: Year Round Curriculum Links: Grades 2 to 5 Science & Technology, Structures and Mechanisms

World War One - Serving on the Front Line and Home Front

Experience World War One through the eyes of an enlisted man's family in 1918. Participants learn about topics such as victory bread, comfort boxes, Spanish Flu and meatless Mondays as they make their way through the house. Learn about the challenges and sacrifices made both on the home front and the front line during World War One.

Site: Benares Historic House Duration: 2 hours Available: Year Round Curriculum Links: Grade 8 History & Geography, Canada, a Changing Society Grade 10 Canadian and World Studies

SEASONAL & SPECIALTY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Lest We Forget

Lest We Forget introduces students to the Harris family and their local community in 1918 and focuses on how World War One affected everyone in the family. Students will explore the challenges and developments on the home front as well as overseas during war time.

Site: Benares Historic House Duration: 1.5 hours Available: October & November Curriculum Links: This program is suitable for Grades 4 to 7 that are engaged with Remembrance Day activities.

Maple Sap to Syrup

Celebrate the magic of the maple tree at Bradley Museum. Students will collect sap from the tapped trees, watch as it is reduced over fire and turned into maple sugar candy. This interactive program also includes a craft.

Site: Bradley Museum Duration: 1.5 hours Available: Late February to early April, excluding March Break Curriculum Links: Grades 2 to 5 Science & Technology, Structures and Mechanisms Grade 3 Social Studies, Heritage and Citizenship, Early Settlements in Upper Canada

Please note that this program can also be adjusted for other grade levels and community children's groups that might like to include this program that connects history, science and the environment.

Hallowe'en at Benares

Experience an authentic 1918 Halloween while you tour the decorated house, prepare treats and create period decorations. Children compare and contrast the experience with contemporary celebrations. Enjoy the frivolity of an Edwardian Halloween celebration enjoyed by the Harris children at Benares.

Site: Benares Historic House Duration: 1.5 hours Available: October Curriculum Links: Grade 2 Social Studies, Heritage and Citizenship, Traditions & Celebrations

Old Fashioned Play Day Fun

Join us for this entertaining program! Play games from the past, churn ice cream and challenge your skills! A great end of school year outing lets participants step back in time and play like a child from long ago. Bring your lunch and add a self guided Rattray Marsh hike for a day full of fun activities.

Site: Bradley Museum Duration: 1.5 hours Available: May and June Curriculum Links: Grades 1 to 6 Skill building: team work, fine & gross motor skills, memory, cooperation, camaraderie and entertainment without batteries!

A Long Ago Christmas

Discover Christmas preparations in one of two period homes. This program focuses on the backwoods festivities during the 1830s and 1840s at Bradley Museum or Christmas in the early twentieth century at Benares Historic House. Both houses are decorated in period fashions and festive activities including baking and creating seasonal paper crafts will be offered.

Site: Bradley Museum or Benares Historic House Duration: 1.5 hours Available: Mid November through December Curriculum Links: Grade 2: Social Studies, Heritage and Citizenship, Traditions & Celebrations Grade 3: Social Studies, Heritage and Citizenship, Early Settlements in Upper Canada (Bradley Museum connection only)

Please note that this program can also be adjusted for other grade levels and community children's groups that might like to include this program in their Christmas activities

OUTREACH PROGRAMS

Early Settler Adventures – When Child's Play Was Hard Work

Our Historic Interpreters visit your classroom and engage students in 19th Century school, work and play. Hands-on activities include using a quill pen, carding wool and playing old fashioned games.

Duration: 1 hour Available: Year Round Curriculum Links: Grade 3 Social Studies, Heritage and Citizenship, Early Settlements in Upper Canada

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Duration: 1 hour Available: Year Round Curriculum Links: Grade 8 History & Geography, Canada, a Changing Society Grade 10 Canadian and World Studies

Please note that this program can also be adjusted for other grade levels that might like to include this program in their Remembrance Day activities.

OUTREACH PROGRAMS (CONTINUED)

Artifact Mysteries

Our Museum Interpreters will visit your classroom with pieces from our early settlement period artifact collection. Hands-on and interactive, students become detectives as they investigate these artifacts!

Duration: 1 hour Available: Year Round Curriculum Links: Grade 3 Social Studies, Heritage and Citizenship, Early Settlements in Upper Canada

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Duration: 1 hour Available: Year Round Curriculum Links: Grades 2 to 5 Science & Technology, Structures and Mechanisms.

Early Settler Adventures and Simple Machines are also available as stand-alone Discovery Boxes. Available for a week-long term, these engaging and educational kits provide the teacher with the tools needed to present the programs to their students at their leisure. Included in each kit are reference materials, hands-on items and activities.

Please note that all programs listed can be adjusted to meet the specific curriculum links of each grade.

Free Bussing For Schools Available!

The Friends of the Museums will fund free bussing for school trips to the Museums of Mississauga on a first come, first serve basis. This opportunity is directed towards schools that might not otherwise be able to book an education program with us and require assistance.

If you would like to be considered in the selection process, please send a letter on school letterhead to Chair of the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Museums, to **friendsofthemuseums@hotmail.com**.

For further information, please visit **www.museumsofmississauga.com** (click on the 'Teachers & Group Leaders' Page). To book a program or inquire about rates and availability, please call us at 905-615-4860, ext. 2107 or e-mail us at **museums.mississauga@mississauga.ca**.

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