

**SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:**

- Over 10,000 people have visited the museum in the new location!
- **Masterpiece Art Auction fundraiser Sat. Nov. 16**
- **From November to April visit the museum on the second Saturday of each month**
- **See an archival picture you'd like at home? Ask about our custom prints and canvas wraps.**

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Hello!

Welcome to the new Osoyoos Museum newsletter! As we get started we will be sending this out four times per year – fall, winter, spring, & summer. In each edition you will find information on upcoming events, interesting projects and ways you can get involved to support your museum.

We've accomplished a lot in the past 5 years - from the old curling rink to our newly renovated building! Based on the feedback we receive from museum visitors; you should be very proud of your museum, the support received from the community to

complete this project has been amazing. Now we're moving forward with changing exhibits, new events, and more community involvement.



Welcome to Osoyoos sign 1953

Museum staff are busy working to keep our collection in tip top shape and we'll highlight some of the interesting

pieces in our artifact/archives collections and explain what we accept and why.

Keep reading this inaugural edition to learn about our Oh! SO YOU KNOW downtown scavenger hunt, the upcoming Poppy Project crochet workshop, an exciting new Ugly Sweater Christmas Open House, and of course, one of our favorite fundraisers – The Masterpiece Art Auction; as well as the many ways you can continue to support your Museum.

-Kara Burton
Executive Director

From the OMS Board

What a great summer at the museum! I would like to thank the staff and volunteers that worked the front desk allowing the Museum to be open from Tuesday to Saturday all summer.

We had a lot of curious people when we started ripping out the old parking

lot. With the generous financial support of the RDOS, we were able to put in a nice new lot. And the best part—the project came in under budget and adds much needed public parking to our downtown core.

Lastly, I'd like to thank our supporters and donors,

without you we would not have this fabulous facility and be able to continue with our mission to preserve and teach the history of our community.

-Larry Stone
OMS President



Masterpiece Art Auction

Join us Saturday, November 16 for the Masterpiece Art Auction!

With a live and a silent auction, guests will have the opportunity to bid on new & pre-loved pieces of artwork in a variety of mediums. You will enjoy local wines and our dessert buffet while you peruse the artwork against the backdrop of the Museum's artifact display. Our focus

this year is to feature local artists and artwork with a local theme and we have already collected some amazing 'masterpieces' for you.

Funds raised at this event support the Museum to expand our offerings in the community through traveling exhibits, online presence, and educational programs.

If you would like to donate a piece of artwork please contact OMS Fundraising Chairperson, Ginny Greb at ginnygreb@gmail.com, 250.689.7176, or the Museum, 250.495.2582.

Tickets are \$40/ea (\$35 for OMS members) and can be purchased, starting Oct. 1, at the Museum or online at www.osoyoosmuseum.org

Reception?
Special Event?
Meeting?
Class?

Rent the museum

What better place to host your special event than at the Osoyoos & District Museum and Archives! We have 3 spaces available and a discount for registered non-profits.

Multipurpose Room—this room can accommodate up to 30 people in a comfortable classroom setting.

Urban Heritage Park—this thoughtfully landscaped outdoor exhibit space has access directly from Main Street and through the Museum, easily fits 50 people.

Main Floor—the perfect place for your next cocktail reception or fundraising event. Your guests can browse the 5000sqft exhibit space learning about our

community while enjoying your event. Max 80 people.

For more information please contact the museum or visit the 'Events—Rentals' tab on our website, www.osoyoosmuseum.org. Prices range from \$35.00 to \$150/hour (minimum 3 hour rental) depending on the space & time requested.



Poppy Project

Join the 2024 Poppy Project & add your poppy to the banner displayed at the November 11 Remembrance Day Ceremony at Sonora Community Centre.

Sign up for one of the October 5 workshops (10am-noon or 1pm-3pm) or stay

all day and crochet away!

If you are a beginner—we'll teach you! If you are seasoned, get out your yarn, hook (or knitting needles) and make one or more!!

This is sure to be a fun day and contributes to a won-

derful, supportive display to honour our veterans.

Extra yarn is available at the museum if you would like to work at home.



How you can help

There are many ways you can get involved and support the museum.

Volunteer We are currently looking for volunteers to help work our front desk. You can find our volunteer form on our website, under the ‘Support’ tab, contact Kara at the Museum, or stop in for a visit.

Membership If you are receiving this email, chances are you already support the museum,

don’t forget to renew your annual membership!

Events Attending our events is always a fun way to support the Museum, often raising some much needed funds.

Recycling Take your recyclables to the depot in clear bags, print a label for 2504952582 at the kiosk OR take your sorted bottles to the till and ask for them to be added to the ‘Osoyoos Museum’ account.

Artifacts We appreciate artifact and archival donations that relate to Osoyoos. Please contact museum staff for info.

Financial donations Help the museum continue to offer programs and exhibits for our community. Cash/Card/Cheque donations are accepted at the museum. Or search the Osoyoos Museum Society at www.canadahelps.org to make secure online donations.

Oh! SO YOU KNOW! Culture Days

downtown scavenger hunt

Join the Culture Days fun at the Osoyoos Museum with our first “Oh! SO YOU KNOW” downtown scavenger hunt.

Culture Days is a national celebration of arts and heritage in Canada. Thousands of free events are offered across the country, to learn more visit www.culturedays.ca.

To participate locally visit the Museum and pick up your question sheet at the Museum or visit www.osoyoosmuseum.org to print at home.

The Oh! SO YOU KNOW downtown scavenger hunt is a 30-45 minute walking tour with 20 questions that will take participants to a number of public

sculptures and murals in Osoyoos.

Prizes for the most correct answers! 1st & 2nd place will both receive the game ‘Osoyoos-Opoly’ donated by Osoyoos Home Hardware along with some other great gifts provided by the Osoyoos Museum Society.



Christmas Open House

We’re kicking it up at our Annual Christmas Open House, with an Ugly Sweater Christmas Party!!

Don your finest ugly sweater and come join the fun. Lots to do throughout the day—photo booth, ugly sweater craft, and if you’re not on the naughty list

you might get to see Santa!

We’ll be serving up some Christmas treats and warm drinks.

Also, a great opportunity to shop for that last-minute gift in the Museum shop or renew your Annual OMS membership.

Mark your calendars—Saturday, December 14, 10am-3pm.



Winter on Anarchist late 1920s

...save the date(s)

From November to April the museum will be open 10am-3pm Tuesday to Friday AND the Second Saturday of each month.

- November 9
- December 14
*ugly sweater party
- January 11
- February 8
- March 8
- April 12

May Long Weekend to Thanksgiving—Open Tuesday—Saturday, 10am-3pm.

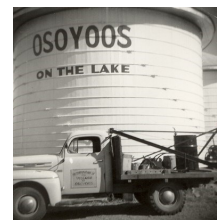
The Museum will be closed for the holidays December 23, 2024 to January 2, 2025.

Join our BC Heritage Week fun, February 17-23, 2025

- colouring contest
- Trivia Night
- Oh! SO YOU KNOW downtown scavenger hunt

Starting February 9, 2025, visit Backroads Brewery to view a selection of canvas wrapped archival prints from the Museum collection. Prints are available for purchase from the Brewery or contact the Museum.

Stay tuned! There are more fun and interactive events for all ages in the works for the coming year!



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