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Welcome to the June 2, 2011 issue of MAS' E-Phemera! E-Phemera is an e-newsletter issued two Thursdays a month by the Museums Association of Saskatchewan. If you have any comments on this publication, please email mas@saskmuseums.org. Check out our website at www.saskmuseums.org for information on events, funding, and all the latest heritage news. We update our site every Monday. Enjoy!

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MAS Activities and Updates

MAS Mini-Conference and AGM 2011

The MAS Mini-Conference and AGM was held on May 26, 2011 at the RCMP Heritage Centre. Both the Mini-Conference and the AGM were well attended. Watch for the next Megaphone newsletter which will be sent by e-mail on June 16th for more details.

A photo gallery of the Mini-Conference and AGM is up on our website. Be sure to check it out, especially if you didn't get the chance to attend: http://www.saskmuseums.org/governance/annual_member_conference/Member_Conference_Gallery

MAS 2010-2011 Annual Report Now Available

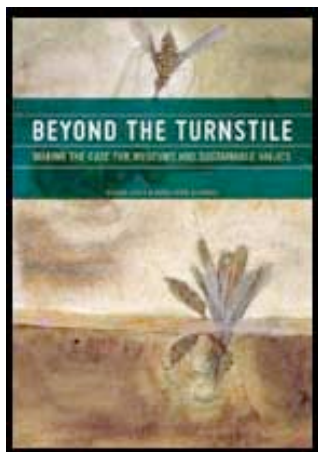
MAS is pleased to announce that our 2010-11 Annual Report is now available. We will be mailing out Annual Reports to all members who didn't attend this year's Mini-Conference and AGM.

An online version is also available and can be downloaded from our website: http://www.saskmuseums.org/annual_report

New Books For MAS Resource Library And New Featured Book

As we've mentioned before we have recently ordered new books for our resource library. We have books and resources on a variety of subjects and we are sure that you will find something you are interested in.

You can come in and view the materials in the library during MAS office hours (Monday through Friday, from 8:00am to 4:00pm). There is also a listing of our materials on our website: http://www.saskmuseums.org/resources/library_resources.php When you find a book that you would like to borrow please fill out a [resource request](#) or call our office at (306) 780-9279 or toll free in SK 1-866-568-7386.



Featured Book:

***Beyond the Turnstile: Making the Case for Museums and Sustainable Values* by Selma Holo & Mari-tere Álvarez**

Beyond the Turnstile argues that museums are indispensable to civil society, especially in an era in which museums are often reduced to cultural businesses or "edu-tainment" sites. Is it inevitable that museum's success will be measured solely by how many people come through the door and how much money they spend? The eminent contributors to this volume provide museum leaders with a different set of criteria for evaluating the success of their museums, proposing a set of sustainable values that can help museums preserve themselves and advance their social mission in hard times - and help them thrive when time improve. While attendance and money will continue to count and be counted in our museums, numbers alone can never drive sustainable success. Only the unique dynamic identity that a museum can claim will do that.

This particular book can be found in the [Museum Theory](#) category of our Resource Library.

Member Information

Saskatchewan Celebrates International Museum Day

International Museum Day 2011 was a hit across the province. We asked our members "What did you do to celebrate International Museum Day?" Here are the responses we received:

"We at the F.T. Hill Museum in Riverhurst had a special tour by the seniors from The Central Butte Manor. Volunteers helped to make their day enjoyable with a one-to-one tour of our displays. We all enjoyed their stories of days gone by. A good time was had by all."

Submitted by Elaine Gunsch on behalf of the F.T. Hill Museum.

"I spent International Museum Day with middle school students, exploring the arthropods that live in our homes! And then I caught up on some paperwork. Happy International Museum Day!"

Submitted by Stephanie Kaduck, Swift Current Museum.

The theme for this year's International Museum Day was "Museum and Memory". The Western Development Museum celebrated by asking visitors to share their most memorable museum moments on May 17 via twitter. These tweets are being shared on the [Museum Memories website](#) along with the tweets from other museums and visitors from all over the world.

The Mendel Art Gallery celebrated International Museum Day by inviting visitors to come and make a mini art gallery.

What a great variety of ways to celebrate! We hope everyone had an enjoyable and memorable Museum Day.

RCMP Heritage Centre Celebrates 4th Birthday

The RCMP Heritage Centre is four years old and work is already underway to ensure it celebrates many more birthdays. Earlier this year, the federal government invested \$2.1 million over three years to ensure the centre's doors stay open.

The centre's CEO Robin Etherington says "We are engaged in developing a business plan for the Heritage Centre. In the interim, we are doing travelling exhibitions." She said the business plan is only the beginning stages but she's already looking forward to the end result.

On Sunday, May 22, celebrations were held at the centre. Sunday's event included cake, crafts, balloon art, games and a dino-bouncer.

Summer hours are now in effect at the centre. The doors are open all week from 9am to 6pm.

To read the full LeaderPost article please visit: <http://www.leaderpost.com/travel/RCMP+Heritage+Centre+celebrates+birthday/4833043/story.html>

SaskEnergy Invests In T.rex Discovery Centre

SaskEnergy has signed a three-year, \$75,000 agreement with the T.rex Discovery Centre in Eastend to support the operations and further development of educational programs. The announcement was made at a special community BBQ in Eastend on May 24, 2011.

Avonlea Heritage Museum Dino Days

Scotty the T.rex is coming to the Avonlea Heritage Museum from **May 2 to August 31**

219 Railway Avenue, Avonlea SK (end of Main Street)

Dino Days

Come explore the world of T.rex at the Avonlea Heritage Museum this summer. Have fun learning a few facts, while doing crafts, playing games, and singing songs. Open to all ages.

Tuesday, 2pm :
July 26, August 2, August 9, August 16

Dino Days are free for museum members. Non members will be charged a small fee to cover craft supplies.

Art Gallery Of Swift Current Summer Party And The Summer Salon

Location: 411 Herbert Street East, 778-2736,
www.artgalleryofswiftcurrent.org

Summer Party

Saturday July 16, 2011

7:30pm Art Gallery of Swift Current

A public reception to celebrate the Summer Salon Art Exhibition and Sale. Meet the artists and purchase amazing locally created artwork. Live music - hors d'ouvres - cash bar. Everyone is welcome!

The Summer Salon

Art Exhibition and Sale

Art Gallery of Swift Current July 4 to August 27, 2011

This annual invitation exhibition provides an opportunity for patrons to become aware of some of the professional and aspiring professional artists practicing in our region. This exhibition presents a variety of forms including abstraction and referential examples of painting, drawing, sculpture as well as fine craft and design, along with photography and film, and examples of object of image based contemporary artwork.

Humboldt Museum Heritage Values Project

Humboldt Heritage Values project was conducted by the museum in 2010, and funded through SaskCulture's Capacity Building Grant. The project won the Heritage Conservation Leadership Award at the Saskatchewan Municipal

Awards ceremony on May 13 in Regina. The award was accepted by Mayor Malcolm Eaton and Museum Board Chairperson, Carol Oleksyn.

Job Postings

Executive Director - PAVED Arts

Saskatoon, SK

PAVED Arts, an innovative and dynamic artist-run centre for photographic, audio, video, electronic and digital art, seeks candidates for the position of Executive Director.

To view the full job description please visit: <http://www.pavedarts.ca/index.php?page=job-postings>

Application deadline: **June 8, 2011**

Technical Coordinator - PAVED Arts

Saskatoon, SK

The Technical Coordinator will have a profound understanding of the facilities and equipment required for media arts production in a cooperative environment. This worker will support the PAVED Arts staff with office IT. This position will also be responsible for purchasing media equipment and coordinating media arts residencies and assisting the Artistic Director with all presentation which require technical assistance. The Technical Coordinator will be responsible for the all aspects of the on house equipment and access centre at PAVED Arts. An interest in contemporary media art would be an additional benefit.

To view the full job description please visit: <http://www.pavedarts.ca/index.php?page=job-postings>

Application deadline: **June 5, 2011**

Manager - Western Development Museum, North Battleford

North Battleford, SK

The Western Development Museum is seeking an individual to serve as Manager for the North Battleford branch.

To view the job description please visit our website: http://www.saskmuseums.org/job_postings

Application deadline: **June 7, 2011 (noon)**

Program Guides - Mendel Art Gallery

Saskatoon, SK

The Mendel Art Gallery requires part-time Program Guides for work starting in fall '11.

To view the job description please visit: <http://www.mendel.ca/news/jobs-in-art>

Applications will be reviewed on **August 31**. Interviews will take place **September 7 or 8, 2011**. Training begins **September 27**.

Funding Opportunities

New SaskCulture Grant Deadlines

As of June 1, 2011, SaskCulture has changed the deadlines on the following funding programs:

Aboriginal Arts and Culture Leadership Fund

Deadlines: April 15, October 15

Contact: Damon Badger Heit at 306-780-9251 or dbadgerheit@saskculture.sk.ca

Capacity Building Grant Program

New Deadlines: May 7, October 15

Contact: Dennis Garreck at 306-780-9265 or dgarreck@saskculture.sk.ca

Métis Cultural Development Fund

New Deadlines: April 30, October 31

Contact: Damon Badger Heit at 306-780-9251 or dbadgerheit@saskculture.sk.ca

Multicultural Initiatives Fund

New Deadlines: January 31, March 15, September 30
Contact: Paul Gingras at 306-780-9813 or pgingras@saskculture.sk.ca

Municipal Cultural Planning and Engagement Grant

New Deadline: October 31
Contact: Dennis Garreck at 306-780-9265 or dgarreck@saskculture.sk.ca

Museum Grant Program

New Deadline: November 30
Contact: Paul Gingras at 306-780-9813 or pgingras@saskculture.sk.ca

All other grant deadlines remain the same.

For more information on these and other funding programs, visit www.saskculture.sk.ca, email: saskculture.info@saskculture.sk.ca, or call 306-780-9284/Toll-free at 1-866-476-6830.

FCC Funding Available To Rural Community Groups

Farm Credit Canada (FCC) has recently announced that they are accepting applications for its FCC AgriSpirit Fund from now until **June 20**. Registered charities and non-profit organizations interested in funding this year are encouraged to visit www.agrispirit.ca for eligibility requirements and to apply online. FCC will give a total of \$1 million in funding to rural community groups across Canada for capital projects.

Other Activities and Information

Museum Grant Program Supplementary Support For Culture Days

Saskatchewan is celebrating Culture Days September 26 - October 2, 2011 and SaskCulture would like to support museums in participating in this year's activities.

Culture Days is an opportunity to join Canadians in hundreds of cities and towns across the country. Culture Days features free, hands-on interactive activities and "behind the scenes" experiences where participants can get up close and discover a world of artists, creators, architects, curators and designers.

Museums have a special role to play, particularly in smaller communities, as a venue for cultural events. This could be an opportunity to develop a new

event to draw attention to your museum and draw in new visitors or simply to open your doors for guided tours during the week of Culture Days.

An event does not necessarily have to relate to your museum's collection or to a local history. We encourage museums that usually close at the end of the summer to consider staying open until the end of Culture Days, but it is possible to sponsor an event outside the museum at another community venue that could include some selected artifacts from the museum.

MAS is pleased to be able to assist SaskCulture in distributing the **Guidelines and Application** form to all of our members. This form is being e-mailed to all of our members but is also available on our website: <http://www.saskmuseums.org/news#news-1133>

For further information contact Peter Brass at SaskCulture:

Phone: (306) 780 - 9289 (within Regina)
(outside Regina)
Email: saskculture.info@saskculture.sk.ca
www.saskculture.sk.ca

Toll Free 1-866-476-6830

Website:

New Art Gallery In Swift Current

The Swift Current Public Arts Services is pleased to announce the opening of Swift Current's second public art gallery. The West Wing Gallery is located in the former Family Fair building in the Kinetic Park.

Upcoming events and exhibits:

High School Art Show: May 27 to July 3

Southwest Open Exhibition: July 9 to September 5

Gallery hours: 1 to 5 pm on Friday, Saturday and Sunday

For more information please visit: http://www.artgalleryofswiftcurrent.org/exhibitions/west_wing_gallery.html

Tourism Awareness Week 2011

Tourism Awareness Week 2011 will take place **June 5 - 11, 2011**. TAW is an opportune time to remind residents about the economic impact tourism has in all areas of the province.

Contact your Tourism Region or City Marketing Organization and inquire about opportunities to participate in TAW events. For a contact list of regions and organizations please visit: <http://www.industrymatters.com/tourism->

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New Workshop Offered At The United Way

The following workshop is at the United Way of Regina, 1440 Scarth Street, and is available at no cost to you or your organization.

Board Development Training - Financial And Legal Responsibilities of Board Members - June 27th, 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Boards are entrusted to ensure the financial health of the organization. This workshop will examine how ordinary caution, honesty, and knowledge of how the organization conducts its business enable volunteer board members to direct the organization and avoid the pitfalls of breach of confidentiality, conflict of interest and personal liability. Participants will identify the financial responsibilities of the board, examine the legal implications of managing an organization's finances, identify mechanisms, structure and practices for keeping accurate financial records and identify the board's role in fundraising.

Please register by calling 751-4750 ext. 744 or email workshops@unitedwayregina.ca

A full workshop schedule can be found on our website at: http://www.unitedwayregina.ca/impact/impact_workshop_page.html

SAB Travel Grant Budget

The Saskatchewan Art's Board's Travel Grant budget had been depleted for this quarter so they will not be accepting any applications for this program at this time. Applications will be accepted again after **June 30, 2011**. The Art Board will continue to accept Culture on the Go Showcase requests.

SCAA Public Speaking, Fundraising & Advocacy Workshop

On **June 10, 2011** SCAA will be holding a day long workshop in Wilcox, SK. The workshop is described as "where participants go through a mini-media camp to learn about how to talk on radio/TV, what types of publicity tools are available and when they are appropriate to use, how to write your own press releases, how to promote events, etc". For more information visit: <http://scaa.sk.ca/>

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