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Welcome to the June 30, 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 Office Closed For Canada Day

The MAS Office will be closed on Canada Day, Friday, July 1, 2011. The office will reopen on Monday July 4, 2011 at 8:00am.

MAS Museum Services Directory Launched!

MAS is pleased to announce that our Museum Services Directory has been launched. As of today you can view the directory on our website: http://www.saskmuseums.org/museum_services_directory

The directory is a helpful listing of consultants, companies, community-based organizations, governmental and non-governmental agencies who provide services and information to assist museums. It aims to assist our institutions and museum practitioners throughout the province who are seeking expertise, mentorship and guidance in key museum function areas.

We welcome submissions from companies or consultants with expertise in the arts, culture, and heritage field. We also welcome submissions from MAS members who wish to volunteer their time and expertise to assist other MAS members throughout the province.

If you wish to register your services with the Museum Services Directory please fill out and submit the form that is located on our website: http://www.saskmuseums.org/museum_services_directory

Creative Collaborations Symposium E-Summary Now Available

The Creative Collaborations Symposium was held on May 3 & 4th of 2011 at Wanuskewin Heritage Park. Forty-two participants from thirty-one organizations across Saskatchewan and Alberta gathered to share innovative approaches to engagement and collaboration.

An E-Summary of this Symposium is now available. It includes information on sessions, facilitator biographies, partnership case studies, additional resources and much more.

To download a copy please visit our website: <http://www.saskmuseums.org/online-resources>

MAS Resource Library Featured Book

We've recently ordered new books for our resource library. You can come in and view the materials in the resource 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:

***The Digital Museum: A Think Guide* Edited by Herminia Din and Phyllis Hecht**

Don't be afraid of the title! *The Digital Museum* is not for techies, but for anyone who cares about the future of museums and the impact of technology on our lives and institutions. The revolution in communications technology has created a landscape that was inconceivable a generation ago. How will the 21st century museum respond? Twenty-five authors, leading thinkers in the fields of technology and museums, lead us through this exciting and rapidly changing terrain, exploring the impact of new technology on all aspects of museum operations, from interpretation to conservation. Topics range from the use of handheld devices, websites and digital games to open source technology and real-time learning. The book highlights how new technologies can enhance the traditional museum mission while also allowing museums to become laboratories for the tools of digital discourse. Introduction by author and filmmaker Selma Thomas.

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

Member Information

BMO Financial Group Provides Major Gift to Western Development Museums in Moose Jaw, North Battleford and Yorkton

BMO Financial Group, Canada's first bank and the bank of the Western Development Museum since 1949, announced a major sponsorship at the

Western Development Museum theatres in Moose Jaw, North Battleford and Yorkton.

These three elegant and intimate theatres showcasing the *Winning the Prairie Gamble: The Saskatchewan Story* exhibits celebrating the province's history, innovation, achievement, and diversity.

The \$70,000 BMO gift will be given to the Museum to provide sponsorship support for the theatres over five years.

"This sponsorship fits in nicely with BMO's historic ties to the Western Development Museum," said Mike Darling, Vice President, Saskatchewan, BMO Bank of Montreal. "Our employees will also appreciate the support for one of the province's iconic cultural venues in the three cities, Moose Jaw, North Battleford and Yorkton," added Mr. Darling.

Within each city's museum, *The Saskatchewan Story* theatre is a welcoming space that invites visitors to view the province with new eyes. Authentic early 20th Century theatre seating for 15, complete with ornate cast iron supports is complemented by heavy velvet draperies and a decorative closed beam ceiling. Six vignettes set into the theatre walls feature cowboy and cowgirl dress-up clothing outfits for children or a night on the town for their parents.

On the theatre screen three unique presentations, accompanied by music created for *Winning the Prairie Gamble*, show the breath-taking grandeur of Saskatchewan. The province's diverse landscape and character is celebrated through two different shows based on a Saskatchewan ABC theme. A third show offers a look at Saskatchewan people and places in the 1940s and 1950s captured by the camera lens of Everett Baker, a Wheat Pool field man for more than 25 years.

"The Western Development Museum sincerely appreciates the generous support of BMO and looks forward to welcoming many more visitors to this new theatre experience," said David Klatt, Executive Director, Western Development Museum.

Consular Grove At Government House Honour Province's Volunteer Diplomats

The Consular Grove is a new part of the experience of visiting Government House. The trees honour Saskatchewan's honorary consuls, local volunteers who represent the interests of countries' embassies, promoting trade, investment and cultural relations. The countries include Mongolia, France, Austria, Morocco and Sweden. Metal bands around the trees identify the name and country of the consul it represents.

For more information on the Consular Grove please read the LeaderPost article: <http://www.leaderpost.com/Trees+honour+province+volunteer+diplomats/4947302/story.html>

Dimensions At The MacKenzie Art Gallery

Location: 3475 Albert Street, Regina, SK

Until August 14, 2011

Every second spring the Saskatchewan Craft Council, founded in 1975, invites Saskatchewan craftspeople to submit work to Dimensions, an open, juried exhibition of fine craft. From carved stoneware to fused glass sculpture to intricate quilts and everything in between, Dimensions has become a popular bi-annual exhibition at the MacKenzie Art Gallery and an excellent example of the contemporary fine arts culture in Saskatchewan. This year two expert jurors, Paul Lapointe, a print maker, wood worker and painter from Batoche, and Jane Kenyon, a fibre artist from British Columbia, will select the pieces and determine the award winners for Dimensions. The exhibition will first be on view to the public at the MacKenzie Art Gallery before touring across Saskatchewan.

For more information, please visit <http://www.saskcraftcouncil.org>

Summer Screenings At the MacKenzie

The Summer Screening Series is in conjunction with the exhibition Ballet by Szuper Gallery. Films take place in the Shumiatcher Theatre at the MacKenzie Art Gallery. Free admission.

[Soylent Green](#) - Sunday, August 21 at 2 pm

Fred Light Museum Grand Opening Of Exhibit

Location: Box 40, Battleford, SK

The Fred Light Museum will be holding a grand opening of their 1905 Replica Fire Hall.

July 16th 2011 @ 1:00 p.m.

Government House Launches Discovery Backpack Program

Minister responsible for the Provincial Capital Commission Bill Hutchinson was on hand at Government House on June 23rd, with Grade 3, 4 and 5 students from Eyebrow School to participate in the launch of the Discovery Backpack Program.

"Discovery Backpacks encourage our youngest visitors to take part in an educational experience that will lead them through the 8.5 acres of beautiful Edwardian style gardens that make up the grounds," Hutchinson said. "At the same time they learn about the history of Government House, the province and Canada. With these Discovery Backpacks, children will be able to interact directly with the people, stories and artifacts that have made our province such a wonderful place to live."

The Discovery Backpacks include a variety of activities and learning tools designed to engage children in the history and role of Government House in our province. Discovery Backpacks are available with both indoor and outdoor content and are designed for preschool children through Grade 5.

"Saskatchewan has such a rich history with so many wonderful stories," teacher Jean Wilson said. "As an educator it is always exciting to introduce my students to fun new ways of learning and exploring the world around them. I think these backpacks are a great way of doing just that."

The Discovery Backpack Program is being offered to all summer visitors as part of "120 Things to Do" during Government House's 120th Anniversary. Government House is open seven days a week, from 9 am to 5 pm throughout the summer.

For more information on the Discovery Backpack Program or Government House, call 306-787-5773 or visit www.governmenthouse.gov.sk.ca.

This article is from the Government of Saskatchewan's website. For more information, contact:

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Moose Jaw Museum & Art Gallery - Park Art 2011

Location: 461 Langdon Cres. Moose Jaw

ParkArt is the Moose Jaw Museum & Art Gallery's largest annual fundraiser and is one of the finest arts and craft markets in Saskatchewan, featuring a

wide variety of high-quality, handmade works by artists and artisans from Saskatchewan and beyond.

ParkArt2011 will be held on **July 1, 2011, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, in Crescent Park**. The Crescent Park location for ParkArt is adjacent to the Library/Museum facility.

This year, there will be over 60 booths, including a concession stand. There will also be a free come-and-go, hands-on activity, for **children from noon to 3:30 pm**.

Admission is \$3, under 12 free

For more information, call Ross Melanson at (306) 692-4471

Royal Saskatchewan Museum Wins International Recognition

MAS would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the RSM on their recognition from The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization for their Human Factor exhibit:

A wide-ranging Regina exhibit that raises difficult questions about how humans damage the global ecosystem has won praise from UNESCO.

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization has singled out the Human Factor exhibit created by the Royal Saskatchewan Museum as part of a program that recognizes projects that educate people about issues surrounding cultural diversity and the environment. The project, which is called Linking, Culture, Education and Sustainability: Good Practices and Experiences from Around the World, selected 25 exemplary examples in its education for sustainable development category.

Curator Glenn Sutter, who created the permanent exhibit as part of the museum's Life Sciences Gallery, said he set out to help educate museum-goers about issues like climate change, but also wanted to show how people and different cultures can impact the environment.

The exhibit, which has been popular among teachers who take students to the exhibit, explains how humans have negatively affected the world, such as the steady increase in the demand for energy that deplete resources and pollute. It also shows how the world population is growing while the amount of productive land and biodiversity is decreasing. There's also a popular children's section, as well as a section that offers advice on how people can change attitudes and choices that could prevent climate damage and even reverse damage.

Sutter says exhibits like his provide more than ample evidence to naysayers who argue issues like global warming and pollution are not important concerns.

To read the full article please visit: <http://www.leaderpost.com/technology/Royal+Saskatchewan+Museum+wins+international+recognition/5002908/story.html>

Summer Exhibitions At The Mendel Art Gallery

Location: 950 Spadina Cres, E., Saskatoon, SK

On View June 24 - September 18, 2011

Courtney Milne: The Pool Project

The Mendel Gift (closes Sept. 11)

Betty Goodwin: Darkness and Memory (Talk/Tour Sunday, September 18 at 2 p.m.)

Jazz: Photographs by John A. Reeves

For more information please visit: <http://www.mendel.ca>

Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame Nomination Deadline 2011

The Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame would like to remind the Saskatchewan public that the annual submission for nominations into the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame is **Thursday, September 1st**. Nominations will be accepted until **5:00 p.m.** on that date.

Nomination forms for the athlete, builder or team categories can be obtained in the following manner:

On the web: <http://www.sshfm.com> (choose the "Nominations" link)

By telephone: (306) 780-9232

By e-mail: sshfm@sasktel.net

By mail: 2205 Victoria Avenue, Regina, SK, S4P 0S4

The year 2012 inductees will be announced at a public media conference in April 2012.

Job Postings

***Reminder - Executive Director - CARFAC SASK - Application Deadline Today!**

CARFAC SASK is seeking an experienced individual to fill the position of Executive Director.

To view the full job description please visit: <http://www.carfac.sk.ca/?s=news&p&id=1137>

Application deadline is June 30, 2011

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**.

Information Management Archivist - Saskatchewan Archives Board

Regina, SK, Temporary (August 2, 2011 to April 7, 2012), Full-time

The Information Management Unit of the Saskatchewan Archives Board requires an enthusiastic individual to provide expertise and assistance to a wide variety of government clients, including departments, crowns, agencies, boards, local governments, executive council and ministerial offices, on all aspects of records management. This position works closely with government clients to develop records management tools such as Operational Records Systems to classify and schedule operational records, to identify records of historical value, and to promote effective and accountable management of government information within government jurisdictions. This includes development of records management policies and procedures; monitoring the

continuing relevance of, and promoting the use of, the Administrative Records Management System.

For a full job description and to apply please visit: <http://www.careers.gov.sk.ca>.

Click on "Non-Permanent Opportunities"

Application deadline: July 7, 2011

Funding Opportunities

***Reminder - Museum Grant Program Supplementary Support For Culture Days - Application Deadline Today!**

***Due to the Canada Post Lockout, SaskCulture is accepting applications by fax (306) 780-9252 or by email saskculture.info@saskculture.sk.ca .**

**For more information contact Peter Brass at SaskCulture
Phone:(306) 780 - 9289 (within Regina)
Toll Free 1-866-476-6830 (outside Regina)
Email: saskculture.info@saskculture.sk.ca
Website: www.saskculture.sk.ca**

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. To download the **Guidelines and Application form** please visit our website: <http://www.saskmuseums.org/news#news-1133>

Application deadline: June 30, 2011

Upcoming Funding Opportunities

There are a variety of funding opportunities available that are coming up fast. Please visit our website to see funding opportunities that we have been made aware of that are due between now and the end of October: <http://www.saskmuseums.org/news#news-1143>

Other Activities and Information

16th Annual Heritage Architecture Excellence Awards

The 16th annual Heritage Architecture Excellence Awards ceremony was held at Government House in Regina, June 14. The Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, the Honourable Dr. Gordon L. Barnhart, bestowed eleven awards acknowledging the achievements of building owners and community groups, architects and designers, constructors and craftspersons from across the province. The Award recognizes excellence in recent projects conserving our province's built heritage as well as presenting sensitive new construction and landscape.

MAS would like to congratulate our members: Government House who received the Award for Landscape, Engineering and Agricultural Work, Bell Barn, Indian Head who received the Sympathetic New Construction Award and Heritage Park, Eatonia who received the Exterior/Conservation Rehabilitation Award.

For a full listing of the awards given please visit: <http://www.ahsk.ca/awards/presentation.php>

Call For Proposals Young Canada Works (YCW)

Is your museum in need of qualified young workers? [The Young Canada Works, Career Focus Program](#) (Internships) can help you. This program

provides museums with funding to hire recent college or university graduates.

CHIN members that are working on projects or research that will be made available on one of the CHIN websites (virtualmuseum.ca or [Professional Exchange](#)) are eligible under this program. Examples of eligible projects include: working on a Community Memories exhibit or a Virtual Museum of Canada exhibit, or assisting with contributions to Artefacts Canada.

Please consult the [YCW website](#) for current information on the program, including the [2011-2012 YCW Employer Guide](#), application procedures and the [employer](#) and [intern](#) eligibility criteria.

CHIN is accepting applications submitted [online](#) until **July 6, 2011**.

For further information, contact Arian Sasmito at 819-934-5004, or by email: arian.sasmito@pch.gc.ca.

InMagic Database For Sale

The Allen Sapp Gallery in North Battleford has the most current InMagic Database for sale. This database program has never been used. Please direct all inquires to Tammy @ (306) 441-7026 or email archives@cityofnb.ca

Regina Canada Day Celebrations

Everyone is welcome to the Opening Ceremonies of Regina's Canada Day in Wascana Park on July 1st.

The opening ceremony will commence on the main stage across the lawn from the Legislative Building at 12 noon. The program will include a 21 Gun Salute and performances by the Saskatchewan Youth Orchestra, local musician Christie-Anne Blondeau, multicultural dance groups and the University of Regina cheerleading team.

To learn more about Regina's Canada Day celebration visit www.reginacanadaday.ca.

The Lieutenant Governor's Garden Party

On July 1st, the Edwardian Gardens at Government House will be officially opened by Lieutenant Governor Dr. Gordon Barnhart.

The gardens, unveiled on Canada Day in 2008, will be declared officially open at the annual Lieutenant Governor Garden Party. They follow the Edwardian design, popular when the grounds were originally planted, which is based on the concept of creating outdoor rooms.

The Garden Party runs from **1 to 4 p.m.** with the official program beginning at **2 p.m.** The party will include live entertainment, refreshments and activities for all. Coquette's Gift Shop, Butler's Pantry and the Amédée Forget Museum will be open.

For information about the Garden Party visit www.ltgov.sk.ca. For information about Government House call 306-787-5773 or visit www.governmenthouse.gov.sk.ca.

Saskatoon Artist Wins Premier's Prize At Dimensions Exhibit

Cathryn Miller of Saskatoon has won the Premier's Prize for most outstanding work in the Dimensions Exhibition. The \$3,000 award is sponsored by the Ministry of Tourism, Parks, Culture and Sport. It was one of 13 awards announced at the opening of Dimensions, a juried exhibition organized by the Saskatchewan Craft Council. The awards were unveiled at a gala ceremony and reception at the MacKenzie Art Gallery in Regina.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.saskcraftcouncil.org/happening.php>

SaskCulture's Engage Magazine Available Online

You can read SaskCulture's latest issue of *Engage* online. The current issue talks about a new partnership between Neekaneet First Nations and the Southwest Oldtimers' Museum in Maple Creek who are working together to support local youth. It has an article on the Saskatchewan African Canadian Heritage Museum and how they are bringing community together. It also mentions many other Saskatchewan museums and cultural organizations throughout the issue.

To view the latest issue please visit: <http://www.saskculture.sk.ca/index.php?p=ENGAGE>

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