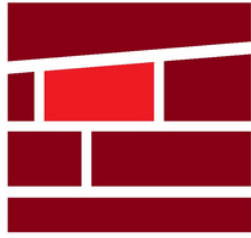


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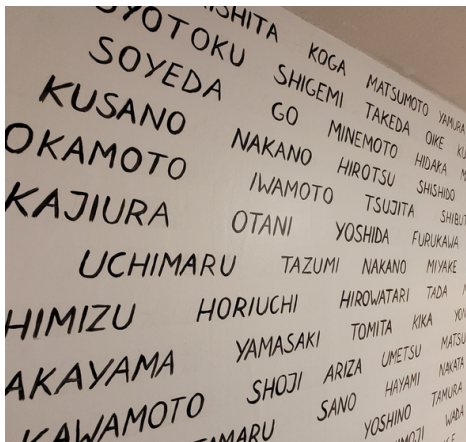


MAPLE RIDGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Exhibits New and Old

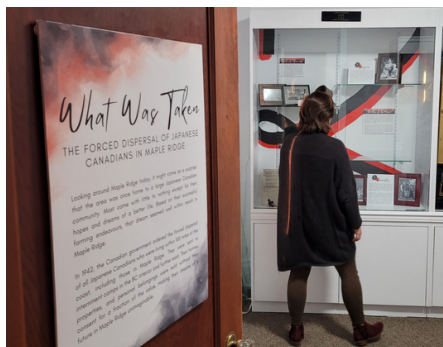
Here to Stay

Temporary Exhibit 'What Was Taken' to Become Permanent



Close-up of exhibit wall which includes all the family names of Japanese Canadians living in Maple Ridge prior to internment.

The Maple Ridge Museum is excited to announce that the temporary exhibit 'What Was Taken: The Forced Dispersal of Japanese Canadians in Maple Ridge' will be becoming a permanent fixture in the museum in the New Year. The exhibit will continue to raise awareness of this often forgotten part of Maple Ridge history while also providing a place for past Japanese Canadian Maple Ridge residents or their descendants to reconnect with their roots.



Snapshot of exhibit 'What Was Taken'.

Stop by and visit

New displays and exhibits to see



Photo of some of the garments on display from 'A Night to Remember'.

Visitors can now stop by the museum to see new displays in the museum. Our new exhibit, 'A Night to Remember:

Historical Fashions of Maple Ridge' highlights some of the beautiful special occasion garments in our collection. We also have a new Staff Pick case called 'The Great Maple Ridge Bakeoff'.

Created by Museum Assistant Tisha Acuña, fans of the competition TV show and baking alike will be sure to enjoy this new display.



Close up of some of the baking artifacts on display from 'The Great Maple Ridge Bakeoff'.



Dick on a railway trestle bridge as happy as he could be

Dick Sutcliffe

We are sad to report the passing of Dick Sutcliffe, Board Member, on September 24th. Dick was a long time Board Member, Society Member, DARS member and overall wonderful volunteer to our organizations. His steady presence and institutional memory were cherished and will be greatly missed. Dick joined the Historical Society board in 1984. He worked alongside Sheila Nichols to set up the new museum and DARS area in the old Haney Brick and Tile managers house. As far as DARS and our current museum space is concerned, Dick has been around since the beginning. Never taking a break, he had been on the board ever since. Over the years he volunteered not only on the board, but was always around to be a helping hand, to manage the set up of Music on the Wharf for 26 years, and liaise with DARS. He served as a voice or reason, local history enthusiast, and avid train lover. From the Maple Ridge Historical Society Board, staff, and volunteers, he will be missed. Dick's celebration of life will be held November 19th 1:00-4:00pm at Confederation Park in Burnaby.



Dick in the back of the Dewdney Allouette Railway society diorama, doing what he loved.

Upcoming Events

Museum on the Move at Repair Cafe

Bring your broken items to get fixed by volunteers and stop by our table to see a selection of artifacts that have either been repaired or were used for repairing other items!

November 18, 10-2 at **Maple Ridge Library**

mapleridgemuseum.org/motm



Holiday Ornament Making

Get into the holiday spirit by making three ornaments for your tree using a variety of techniques and materials, then enjoy some hot chocolate and a treat!

Registration required.

\$5 per child

Ages 5+

December 9, 11-12 & 1-2 at Maple Ridge Museum

mapleridgemuseum.org/holiday-ornament-making

Holiday Train at Haney House

The CP Holiday Train is back! Warm up at Haney House and see it all decorated for the holidays. We will also be accepting donations for the Friends in Need Food Bank.

December 17, 6:30pm-9pm at Haney House Museum

September and October Events Review

September and October were very busy for the museum. The City of Maple Ridge held the last of their community block parties in Jim Hadgkiss Park on September 1. We held the last of our very popular and well-attended Headstone Preservation Project sessions. We attended Rivers Day in ALLCO Park and National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in Memorial Peace Park. We lucked out with beautiful weather for our Apple Harvest Festival at Haney House. We managed to snag the coveted Friday the 13th (and Saturday the 14th) date for our annual In the Dead of Night: Paranormal Investigations at Haney House, and once again this was a sold-out event. Lastly, for the first time ever we turned Haney House into Haunted Haney House, a family-friendly, museum-meets-haunted-house.



A skeleton takes a bath during Haunted Haney House. Thank you to the Barrow Family for the use of their skeletons.



Membership Renewal

It's that time of year again!

It's that time of year where we once again ask for your continued support of the Maple Ridge Historical Society. It's been another exciting year at the museum and there has been quite a few new exhibits such as 'Maple Ridge Sports Treasures', 'Getting Hitched',

and 'A Night to Remember'. In terms of events and programming, we are still busier than ever! We had 16 Museum on the Move appearances across the city, and Music on the Wharf was a smashing success. Our Headstone Preservation project was incredibly popular, and we were able to complete 6 sessions at the Maple Ridge Cemetery and Whonnock Cemetery. Our annual fundraiser 'The Dead Of Night: Paranormal Investigations at Haney House' sold out for the third year in a row. Of course, none of our work would be possible without the support of our members. We look forward to your renewed support in years to come! As always memberships can be renewed by filling out the Membership Renewal Form under the memberships tab on our website, or by mail.



Midwinter Closure

The Maple Ridge Museum and Haney House Museum will be closed from December 22nd to January 2nd for mid-winter break.

On behalf of the Maple Ridge Historical Society, we want to wish each and every one of you a wonderful holiday season. We can't wait to see what the New Year will bring and we are excited to welcome everyone back for a new year in 2024!

DEWDNEY-ALOUETTE



Visit the Dewdney-Alouette Railway Society's diorama in the museum. On the last Sunday of every month, members of the Dewdney-Alouette Railway Society are present to "talk trains" and operate the Diorama. Model Railroaders are welcome on the Tuesday and Thursday evenings before the last Sunday of the month.

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