

MAPLE RIDGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Music on the Wharf a summer high note



The Golden Ears Jazz Band gets into the swing of things, August 24, 2026.

The 2026 run of Music on the Wharf is now complete, with another four successful concerts checked off the list. Fan-favourite Tragically Hip cover band Gift Shop kicked off the festivities with a packed show on July 13, followed by Knudson & Connaughton on August 3 and the Cat Murphy Band on August 10. Local staple, the Golden Ears Jazz Band, rounded out the festival with a sunset serenade on August 24.

We would like to thank the volunteers and employees who gave up their Monday nights to support the event (and enjoy some great concerts). Thanks also go out to the bands who gave it their all on the historic Port Haney Wharf.

Besides delighting the residents of Maple Ridge and beyond, Music on the Wharf serves as a key fundraiser for the Maple Ridge Historical Society. This year, the community donated over \$1200 across four performances – much-appreciated support for the Society and Museum to continue their work in the community. Special thanks to everyone who donated, came out to support these local musicians, and have a great time with us by the river!

See you all next year for our 30th anniversary run!

Introducing our Newest Staff Member



Kelsey Sullivan

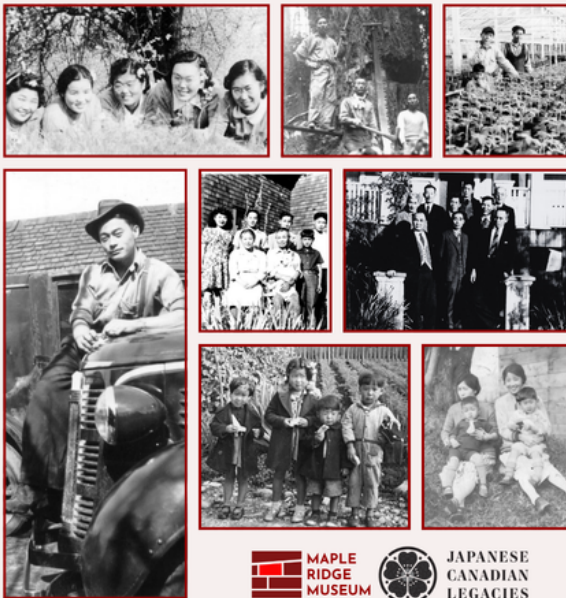
Community Engagement Coordinator

Kelsey Sullivan is thrilled to be rejoining the Maple Ridge Museum team as the Community Engagement Coordinator. She has spent several years at the Maple Ridge Museum gaining museum experience through various roles, as well as through her work as a Program Coordinator for Scouts Canada. With an academic background in Archaeology and Indigenous Studies, she is excited to apply her knowledge to the role, in particular for the development of new curriculum based programs.

Open Call for Stories!

Traces of Home

Do you have stories to share?



Tisha, our Special Projects Curator, has been busy finalizing the 'Traces of Home' project. The website, funded by JCLS and developed with SplitMango, is now completed after almost two years of hard work combing through the archives. We are looking for descendants of the Maple Ridge Japanese Canadian community who would be interested in sharing their family history on our website. This could either be in the form of stories about the family or digital copies of images and documents connected to your family history.

The 'Traces of Home' website is a combination of an interactive online map and a digital archival database, debuting in Fall 2026. Aside from providing public access to resources and archival materials in the collection, we also hope that the project will provide a space for reconnecting to family roots and sharing community memory.

Please reach out to us at info@mapleridgemuseum.org if you would like us to share your stories!

Upcoming Events

Headstone Preservation Project

Join us for our final preservation event of the season and help with the important task of cleaning and maintaining the headstones in our cemeteries!

Saturday Sep 12 9am-12pm (Maple Ridge Cemetery)

Apple Harvest Fest

Visit Haney House this September 20th to enjoy all things apples to celebrate the harvest and Maple Ridge's apple-growing history!

Apple Harvest Fest is a by-donation event and will run from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. You can look forward to lawn games, tours of Haney House, and apple themed crafts and activities.

September 20th 2026, 11AM - 2PM: Haney House Museum

The Dead of Night: Paranormal Investigations

Join a professional paranormal investigation team for a 75-minute guided tour exploring the darker side of Haney House's history. Learn about the tools and techniques paranormal investigators use (and even try them yourself) as you search for signs of the spirits said to linger within the walls of this historic home.

Use the link below, or check out our events page on the museum website to book your tour and discover what may be haunting Haney House!

<https://mapleridgemuseum.org/the-dead-of-night/>

October 2nd 2026: Haney House Museum

October 3rd 2026: Haney House Museum



Museum on the Move brings free, accessible, and inclusive museum learning to all corners of Maple Ridge. The goal of this project is to bring the museum's stories and programs to the residents and visitors of our city by setting up a mini "pop-up" museum in locations that are frequented by the public as they go about their usual summer activities.

September 27th, 2026 - ALLCO Park, 13255 Alouette Road, Maple Ridge, BC V4R 1R8
Event: **Ridge Meadows Rivers Day**



That's a wrap on Music On The Wharf for this year! A huge thank you our amazing performers who brought such wonderful music to the wharf, our dedicated volunteers and staff, and our wonderful audience members and visitors whose participation and generous donations help make this series so special. And a very special thank you to our amazing sponsors for helping us keep these concerts free and accessible for everyone to enjoy! We can't wait to see you all again for next summer's Music On The Wharf series!

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.

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