



All Workshops and Programs are Available in Both French and English.
SPACE IS FILLING UP!!! BOOK YOUR TOUR TODAY!!

What's New At Pier 21?

War Bride Workshop

Pier 21 has completed the development of its War Bride Trunk workshop. The trunk is filled with interesting, odd and beautiful artifacts from Rose the war bride. Very little is known about Rose and students will have an opportunity to be history detectives. Using the items in Rose's trunk students will try to piece together who Rose was. Educators can follow up in class with writing activities in which the students write down their story of Rose as a diary, newspaper article or story. At Pier 21 during the workshop, students will also take part in a war bride scavenger hunt, which engages them with the many facts and stories of Canada's war brides.

Tell Your Family Story Contest

Pier 21, in partnership with the Storytellers Circle of Halifax, is hosting its second annual Tell Your Family Story Contest for grades 4-9. This is a great opportunity for students to learn about their family's heritage and history and also to practice literacy skills. See the activity of the month for complete details.

Multicultural Focus on Youth Day

Pier 21 and the MANS Multicultural Festival will be hosting a Multicultural Youth Day on June 15, 2007. Students will take part in a full day of multicultural and immigration fun and activities. Half the day will be spent at Pier 21 partaking in *Immigration Sensation* while the other half will be spent at Alderney Landing taking part in Multicultural Festival activities. Admission is only \$6 per student. Contact Pier 21 to book or for more information. Look for complete information coming soon. Educators who book by April 30, 2007 will be entered in our early bird draw.

Educational Tours

It is now the busy season for school tours at Pier 21. Book your tour early to avoid disappointment. Bookings will be accepted up to 4 months in advance.

Students will enjoy a guided tour of the museum and a viewing of the breathtaking multi-media presentation *Oceans of Hope*. Education tours are available for all ages and are available in both French and English. Spaces are filling up fast. Book your tour today!

Workshops

Pier 21 offers curriculum related workshops throughout the year around 5 main themes. Pier 21 workshop themes are Immigration, Citizenship and Nation Building, Heritage and Multiculturalism, WWII and World Events and History Skills. Below is a list of January's feature workshops. For information on other workshops see www.pier21.ca/manulife/workshop.php

War Bride Trunk (Gr. 3-9):

This workshop allows students to be history investigators as they try to uncover the story of Rose, a War Bride coming to Canada. Students also take part in a knowledge scavenger hunt to learn more about who the war brides were.

Reporting on the Walnut (Grades 4-9):

This interactive history skills and immigration workshop allows students to create their own newspaper articles based on information they collect through interviewing. Students go back in time to the arrival of the Walnut and role play with a passenger who has just arrived.

Pier 21 has a wide variety of programs to complement your tours of the museum.
Please contact 425-7770 ext. 243 or eross@pier21.ca for information or to book your visit.

Rates: \$4.00; \$4.60 with one workshop; \$5.00 with two workshops;
taxes included; Chaperones free!

Tell Your Family Story

How-to Guide

When you are at a family gathering, on vacation with your family or just sitting around the dinner table, ask questions about your family or people in your family, past or present.

Record your family stories (ask permission) on tape during the conversation or afterwards write down everything you remember about the conversation or record anything you remember on tape or CD.

Be sure to listen to the conversation and give your full attention to the teller. Be careful of interruptions, not waiting for your turn to speak, unnecessary questions or too many questions.

Ask questions about:

1. Family names and languages (nicknames, namesakes, commonly used sayings, special words, food words, etc)
2. Persons, characters, all kinds of relatives (which ones are talked about most, who are the mystery relatives of the past...and don't forget about memories of the family pets!
3. Places remembered – earliest memories, places the family gathered, have a family member walk through a house in their memory and describe it – was there a favourite chair, who were the people in the house, what smells were in the kitchen? Any memories from trees outside the house?
4. Events, happenings, crisis (often the plot of a story). Memories of trips, holidays, visits to and from relatives, storms, moving day, cooking disasters, water. Memories for “firsts”: first day of school, first day of work, first car, first pet, first haircut, first child, etc.
5. Ask questions about things or objects you family own: a special quilt, inherited furniture, photos, diaries, books etc. Ask: Who, what, when, where, why and how?

When choosing your family story to tell, ask yourself the following questions:

1. Why should I tell this?
2. What is important about this story that others need to know?
3. Will the story give the listener an insight into my family or the main character?

When forming your story:

- You can use more than one family memory to tell a story
- Make sure it is okay with your family to tell the story

When you choose your topic here's a way to organize your story:

- Beginning or Introduction: Setting, first characters, time and place
- Situation
- First action or excitement
- Next events or happenings
- Climax: the most exciting part or vital part of the story
- What did or didn't happen
- Conclusion or end

The “Tell Your Family Story” contest is a partnership between the Storytellers Circle of Halifax and the Pier 21 Society.

Tell Your Family Story Entry Form

Name: _____ Title of Story: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code/Zip: _____ Phone: _____ Grade: _____

I certify that this is my own work (Signature of Applicant): _____

Signature of parent or legal guardian: _____

The Pier 21 Museum and Society are aware of the privacy of its program participants. Your consent is required for your child's/children's first name(s), photograph(s), video or sound recording(s), writing and/or artwork to be published or displayed as part of the Pier 21 Museum's promotional or exhibit materials, including, but not limited to: flyers, brochures, posters, newsletters, web site, etc.

I hereby certify that I am the parent or guardian of a minor(s) who is/are under 18 years of age and who wishes/wish to participate in a program(s) with the Pier 21 Museum. I do irrevocably grant to the Pier 21 Society, all rights and copyright of any kind for the above-mentioned media, without any additional compensation. I hereby release the Pier 21 Society from any and all claims for libel and invasion of privacy. I understand that this release is irrevocable by me so that the Pier 21 Society may proceed in full reliance thereon. I understand that these media will be the property of the Pier 21 Society. The Pier 21 Society will not share contact information with 3rd parties.

Name of Child: _____

Signed (parent or guardian): _____ Date: _____

Submit your story by mail or in person along with a completed entry form by May 31, 2007 to:
Tell Your Family Story Contest, Pier 21 Society, 1055 Marginal Road, Halifax, NS B3H 4P6

Contest Information

1. The contest is open to youth grades 4 to 9 across Atlantic Canada. Entries will be separated into 3 age categories (gr. 4 and 5, gr. 6 and 7 and gr. 8 and 9) for judging.
2. The story must be in your own words and in written form
3. Limit one story per person - choose your best one for submission
4. Forms must be signed by the writer and parent or legal guardian and attached to the story
5. Judging is by The Storytellers Circle of Halifax.
6. Winners will be announced after June 10th and prizes will be mailed
7. Selected stories will be featured on the Pier 21 website.

For more information contact:

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The "Tell Your Family Story" contest is supported by the Storytellers Circle of Halifax.