



All Workshops and Programs are Available in Both French and English.

**WOW~20% Off For School Tours Booked For The Month Of January or February!!!**

## What's New At Pier 21?

### ♥ Love Is In The Air at Pier 21 ♥

Pier 21 honours Valentine's Day by showcasing the love and devotion of the 48 000 war brides that came through Pier 21 after WWII. Museum admission is free for war brides and veterans on Feb. 10 and 14, 2007. Don't miss our family fun day Saturday February 10, 2007 from 10-5. All activities are free with admission. Children of all ages can enjoy a war bride themed scavenger hunt of the museum with a sweet or lovely reward (sugar free alternative prizes available). Children can also make valentines for war brides or loved ones, create funny heart people or making their own heart pencil topper.

### WHAT A DEAL!

Pier 21 knows it can be hard to plan for February so to give you a little extra incentive to gather up students, face the cold and visit us, we are offering 20% off our school tour base rate. That's right, a guided tour and film presentation is now only \$3.20 per student (taxes and chaperones included)!!! While you're here, sample a workshop or two. Call Elisabeth Ross, Education Coordinator, for more details at 425-7770 ext 243.

### NEW-Chinese Art and Calligraphy Exhibit

In celebration of the year of the pig – 2007, Mu Lan Chinese Culture Centre and Pier 21 are proud to present an exhibition of Chinese art and calligraphy from both Mu Lan and private collections. Admission is free. February 6 - March 31, 2007. Don't miss it! This exhibit excellently rounds out a regular museum tour and film presentation.



## Educational Tours

Educational tours at Pier 21 are unforgettable! Students will enjoy a guided tour of the museum; a viewing of the breathtaking multi-media presentation *Oceans of Hope*; a virtual train ride across Canada; and participation in one of our many interactive workshops (optional). We can provide customized tours to cater to your group. 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](http://www.pier21.ca/manulife/workshop.php)

### Recording History (Gr. 5+):

In this history skills workshop, students learn various ways to record history with a focus on diaries and journaling. Students also begin to create their own personal historical record.

### 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](mailto: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!

## Activity of the Month

- ♥ Discuss who the war brides were.
- ♥ More information and resources on war brides can be found by contacting the Pier 21 Research Centre at [library@pier21.ca](mailto:library@pier21.ca), [research@pier21.ca](mailto:research@pier21.ca) or 425-7770 ext 225.
  - ♥ War brides were predominately allied European women who married Canadian military men while they were overseas during WWII. There are a few Italian and other axis power war brides and even a few war grooms but they are much more rare. 48 000 war brides came through Pier 21 after the war to be with their husbands in Canada. Many of the women also had war children that they brought to Canada with them. The challenges for these women were many. Some of them came to Canada expecting big cities like London and Paris and discovered that they were now living on a farm in rural Saskatchewan. Some of the in-laws of the war brides did not approve or did not speak English. Sometimes the war brides arrived in Canada to find that their husband was already married to a Canadian woman or that he did not have the kind of job he said he did. Despite the challenges, many of the war brides remained in Canada and now consider themselves more Canadian than European. Their love and courage is an inspiration to all of us here at Pier 21 and to Canada.
- ♥ Make a valentine of any style. One example is to use a card stock background and affix heart shaped stickers and decals to it. Students can also use pinking shears or shaped scissors to make their own frilly shapes. Paper doilies, pipe cleaners, tissue paper and pom poms also add nice touches. Older students can use scrapbooking techniques, stamping, embossing etc. to create something really beautiful.
- ♥ Have students write a letter or poem or draw a picture inside the valentine to a war bride.
- ♥ Mail the valentine's to your local or provincial war bride association.
- ♥ Association addresses and more information about war brides can be found at <http://www.canadianwarbrides.com/index.asp>