

Outreach/ In-Classroom Programs

Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum

Why not let us come to you?!



Our Outreach programs have been designed to complement the curriculum and your course of study. In each one-and-a-half to two-hour program, experienced staff will bring artifacts, materials, and activities directly to your classroom. Scheduled times are flexible to fit your individual needs. However, these programs **must be booked three weeks in advance** of your desired date.

While the authenticity and contextual value of our restored buildings cannot be recreated during an off-site program, we believe that student learning is enhanced by the artifacts, materials, and activities we bring to the classroom during Museum Outreach Programs.

During the construction of our NEW Visitor Centre (late March 2010 – March 2011) we will continue to offer our Outreach programs.

General Outreach/In Classroom Program Selections Include:

NEW PROGRAMS!

DISCOVER FIRST NATIONS: ARCHAEOLOGY, CULTURE, AND CONTACT

DISCOVER ARCHAEOLOGY

In this workshop we focus on images and specific details from the Mantle Site, a large 9-acre village that has yielded evidence of over 70 long houses and tens of thousands of artifacts. Using artifacts and reproductions from the Museum collection, students become “Junior Archaeologists” studying the life of the Huron people.

Suitable for: Best suited for Grade 6 (Heritage and Citizenship) **Time:** 1.5 hours **each**

Cost: \$4.50/ student (\$90.00 minimum) - plus mileage if outside Stouffville area

DISCOVER THE HURON

Through the use of themed Discovery Boxes, students explore pre-contact life in a Huron Village. Each Discovery Box contains reproductions, images, and other hands-on materials.



FAVOURITES

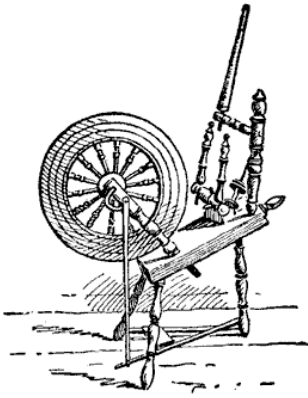


Lighting

Through discussion and demonstration of items (as appropriate) from the Museum's collection, students will trace the historical progression of different modes of lighting from the sun through electricity. This program will encourage students to utilize inquiry and investigative skills. Students will also draw conclusions about the societies that used these different types of lighting devices and will gain an awareness of community and technological advances. The program concludes with a light-oriented heritage craft. (Note: This program is history, not science, based.)

Suitable for: Grades 3 - 6. **Time:** 1.5 hours

Cost: \$4.50/ student (\$90.00 minimum) - plus mileage if outside Stouffville area



Spinning and Weaving

Participants will discover how pioneers met the basic human need for clothing and will be encouraged to make comparisons of production technology for pioneers and for modern times. Students will first discuss the process of obtaining fleece and preparing it for use in textile production. Using both group and individual activities, the class will have the opportunity to improve dexterity and artistic skills through hands-on experience with the heritage crafts of carding and weaving.

Suitable for: Grades 1 - 6. **Time:** 1.5 hours

Cost: \$4.50/ student (\$90.00 minimum) - plus mileage if outside Stouffville area

What-cha-ma-call-it

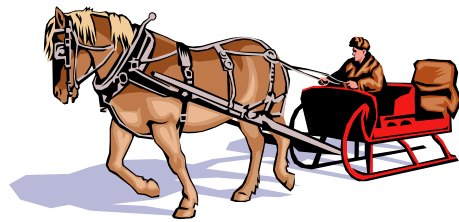
Using artifacts from the Museum collection and authentic reproduction pieces, students will work cooperatively to identify and describe older objects and pair them with modern equivalents. Next, working cooperatively in small groups, students will make observations about the societies that produced and used these items. Students will then present their findings to the class. Students will enhance their descriptive and analytical skills, as well as their abilities in organization and oral presentation.

Suitable for: Grades 3 - 8. **Time:** 2 hours

Cost: \$5.00/ student (\$100.00 minimum) - plus mileage if outside Stouffville area



Seasonal Selections Include...



19th Century Christmas

Using artifacts to enhance the presentation, staff will lead a class discussion on early settler and Victorian Christmas traditions, including food preparation, decorations, social and religious activities, development of commercialism, and gift giving. An appropriate craft concludes the program.

Suitable for: Grades 3 - 6. **Time:** 2 hours

Cost: \$5.25 per student (\$105.00 minimum) - plus mileage if outside Stouffville area



Winter Wonders and Worries

Supplemented by artifacts from the Museum's collection, staff will encourage students to make comparisons between winter social activities, indoor and outdoor jobs, seasonal food availability, and potential hazards facing early Canadians and those of the present day. A winter-oriented craft concludes the program.

Suitable for: Grades 3 - 6. **Time:** 2 hours

Cost: \$5.25 per student (\$105.00 minimum) - plus mileage if outside Stouffville area



To book an **Outreach/In Classroom Program** or for more **information**, PHONE: 905-727-8954 or 1-888-290-0337

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Please Note: For schools located south of Steeles Avenue, west of Highway 400, or east of Brock Road, we can only offer our Outreach programs during the afternoon.