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Newsletter

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YHMA 30th Anniversary- Join in the Celebrations!



In the introductory speech of the founding convention of the Yukon Historical & Museums Association Peg Crook told the members present, "We hope that this society will fill a big need. A need for information exchange. That was our main idea for the need of a new society; to make someone in Dawson aware that someone in Watson Lake has information that he or she needs. To make everyone notice that one museum had a glaring gap in their collection so that somebody might be able to come up and fill this gap, and above all to issue a newsletter of some type that would let everyone know what was going on all over the Territory". Though the needs of the community and YHMA's role has changed over the year the YHMA newsletter continues to serve as an important tool in sharing information, events and ideas and most of all a unity among members. YHMA hopes that you, our members still see the value in this method of information exchange and continue to share your stories and successes with us.

The newsletter is our way of staying in touch and keeping our members informed. From the board and staff of the Yukon Historical & Museums Association's we would like to thank our members for continued support and encouragement over the last 30 years. We are looking forward to the next 30! We hope to see you all at the 30th Annual General Meeting on Saturday May 12, 2007 at 1:30 pm, held in the original location of the founding convention, at MacBride Museum. See you there!

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YHMA News

30th Anniversary & Heritage Awards

Very exciting times are upon us. Not only is the Yukon Historical & Museums Association celebrating its 30th Anniversary, but we are planning for our future. While reflecting on the past, the positive impact YHMA has had on the Yukon is clear to see. YHMA's many research symposiums and conferences have exposed the public to the Yukon's exciting history and have fostered discussion and future growth through reflection on the past.

YHMA has helped to preserve what it is that makes the Yukon unique. Preserving and protecting our tangible and intangible heritage has remained at the forefront of our concerns. Past members have worked diligently to develop heritage plans and registries; to produce historical publications; to develop heritage building walking tours; to advocate for our museums and the protection of our heritage both locally and nationally; and as already mentioned, to organize forums for intellection exchange of historical information. To them, we owe a great deal of appreciation and thanks.

However, as the world evolves so too must our role. For this reason, as we celebrate 30 years of success, we will begin planning for our future. On May 11, 2007 at the Transportation Museum, we will celebrate this year's heritage award recipients and reflect on the successes of the last 30. A cocktail reception will follow.

Annual General Meeting & Strategic Plan Development

The following day, May 12, 2007, we will gather at the MacBride Museum, the very location of the founding convention that took place 30 years ago, to focus our attention on the future by providing our members and stakeholders an opportunity to join YHMA in a planning session from 10:30 am until noon. As some of you may be aware, YHMA, with funding from the Community Development Fund, will be undertaking the development of a new strategic plan. YHMA is pleased to announce that Outcrop Yukon and Michael Pealow are the successful consultants from the RFP process. Dennis Zimmerman will act as the project manager for Outcrop Yukon and Michael Pealow will bring a wealth of experience to the project. Together, they provided YHMA with a solid proposal based on the established evaluation criteria and showed enthusiasm and a sound approach to the project. YHMA hopes you will join us on May 12, 2007 to meet the consultants and assist in the beginning of the strategic planning process.

The Strategic Plan workshop will be followed by the Annual General Meeting from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm. All are welcome to attend and interested and committed individuals are invited to put their name forward to join the board of directors. Over the next year the board will play a critical role in the organization of the association's goals and objectives for the next 5 years. If you are interested in nominating yourself or someone you think would be a valuable addition to the YHMA, please contact YHMA at (867) 667-4704 or yhma@northwestel.net.

New Website

Prior to the AGM the Yukon Historical & Museums Association will be launching its new website. www.heritageyukon.ca will provide YHMA with a fresh new web presence that will allow us to better keep our members informed while providing visitors a location to locate Yukon heritage attractions. The new searchable heritage attractions database allows the visitor to search by region, town, or collection. The heritage attraction listing also provides rental and tour information for MC&IT planners.

The website will also feature all the pertinent YHMA information such as membership applications, information on upcoming events and conferences, publications, Whitehorse Historical Building Listing and application information and deadlines for the Yukon Heritage Training Fund.

We hope you enjoy your visit and stay tuned for future web developments from YHMA.

Yukon Archives News



Reference Room Acquisitions:

We're pleased to announce that the Archives has purchased a new microfilm reader-printer. This machine has a new feature which provides a digital scan of the microfilm or the standard print to paper option. We will be able to provide the scanning option in the near future.

The Archives has acquired a subscription to the Paper of Record website that hosts searchable newspaper image documents presented in their original published form. The website hosts the newspapers of 16 countries, one of which is Canada. The Yukon is currently represented by 2 newspapers --"Yukon Daily Morning Sun" & "Yukon World" which were

published in Dawson from 1899 to 1905. The Archives license allows access in the Archives only, and it allows subject/keyword searching of all the papers hosted and will also allow printing of selected articles. For a preview of what is available try: <http://www.paperofrecord.com/search.asp>

Exhibit News:

Winter / L'Hiver, a new four-panel bilingual exhibit, was unveiled in the Archives' exhibit room on February 23rd. Created as part of the celebrations for the first Canada Games held north of 60, this exhibit discusses the impact 'winter' has had on all of us. A display case has also been set up showcasing ephemera from the recent Canada Games event.

Art of the Ordinary: Us-centric Photography

The next exhibit at the Hougden Heritage Gallery in Arts Underground is entitled **Art of the Ordinary: Us-centric Photography**. Curated by Mario Villeneuve, the exhibit features "vernacular photographs" – ordinary, popular, everyday images drawn from many albums held at Yukon Archives. Traditionally acquired as historical documents, archival photographs may also be seen as objects treasured for their nostalgia, their quirkiness, their poignancy, or even their artistic quality. The exhibit opens May 4 at 5:00 p.m. and runs until late July.

Recent projects:

David Porter has completed another season as Archives Advisor. He provided regular archival advisory services between April 2006 and March 2007. He carried out site visits to museums and First Nations with archival programs in Whitehorse, Pelly Crossing, and Teslin. Advice on archival management was also provided to the Yukon Enrollment Commission and the Council for Yukon First Nations. David also provided in-depth assistance to five institutions for the funding application process under the new National Archival Development Program (NADP). The Yukon Archival Advisory Program is made possible by financial assistance from the federal government through the Library and Archives Canada Contribution Program for the archival network, in addition to funding assistance from the Friends of Yukon Archives Society.

Selected recent accessions for Yukon Archives:

- Business records of the Girl Guides of Canada - Yukon Council (1951-2000) and a framed collection of 12 floral postcards depicting Artistic Botanical Studies of Real Pressed Flowers by Martha Louise Black. (Accession # 2007/3)
- 51 b&w copy negatives of images taken by Chooutla (Carcross) Residential Grade 4 school teacher Mr. A. Richard King of his students and their outdoor activities in and around Carcross. 1963-1964 (Accession # 2007/6R)

Old Log Church Museum

By Susan Twist, Director/Curator



Canada Winter Games

Despite the bitter cold and wealth of cultural event taking place throughout the city, we were very pleased with the steady stream of visitors who took in the programmes and activities presented by the Old Log Church Museum, Christ Church Cathedral, the Diocese of Yukon, and the

Diocese of the Arctic during the Canada Winter Games. The Bishop Who Ate His Boots traveling exhibit, Sadie Stringer interpretive programme, a film festival, traditional Gwich'in services, a heritage beadwork display, and food served in the Malemute Café were part of our celebration of the Anglican Church's long history in the North.



The Bishop Who Ate His Boots Traveling Exhibit Gala held Feb 27th.

Gunter Glaeser, Len Beecroft, Hon. Min. Elaine Taylor, Jack Sperry, (Retired) Bishop of the Diocese of the Arctic, Archbishop Terry Buckle, Diocese of Yukon, Susan Twist, Glenn Icton.

YHMA Volunteer of the Year Award

Congratulations to our President Linda Thistle, the recipient of the 2006 YHMA Volunteer of the Year Award. Linda has devoted 21 years of service and has been invaluable to both the Yukon Church Heritage Society and the Old Log Church Museum. Thank you Linda for your dedication and hard work.

The Old Log Church Museum exhibits will open for the summer season on May 19th. Best wishes to everyone for a great summer!!

Yukon Transportation Museum



On Wednesday April 25, 2007 the Yukon Transportation Museum held its Annual General Meeting. The presentation of the annual report and financials took place along with the election of the board. At the AGM a special letter from Hon. Larry Bagnell was read to the members. He stated:

"Last week, Astronaut Julie Payette visited the Yukon. As part of the ceremonies, she presented to me a plaque bearing a small Yukon flag that she had taken into space on the Space Shuttle. I wanted to display this in a logical location where many Yukoners would be able to see it. I therefore decided, and am announcing tonight, that I will be donating it to the Yukon Transportation Museum. Ms. Payette was very happy with this decision."

The Transportation is very pleased to be receiving such a special donation, and would like to thank Mr. Bagnell for his generous gift.

New members are always welcome, your support is paramount in the success of the organization. Membership fees: \$15.00 for individual, \$25.00 for Family \$40.00 for Corporate. Membership includes free admission to the museum, 20% discount in the giftshop, newsletter twice a year and invitation to all special events and exhibit openings. Hope to see you there.

The Museum will be open for our summer season on Monday May 14 until August 31, open daily from 10am to 6pm. Again we will be offering the combo pass with the Beringia Centre \$9.00 to view

both facilities. Regular admission is Adults: \$6.00 Senior \$5.00 Students: \$4.50 Children 6-12yrs \$3.00 and 5 and under free

We will be adding a Programmer to our summer seasonal staff and will be offering Children's Programming over the summer months, keep an eye in the paper for our upcoming programs and our ever popular program "It's your Move: Learning about lift, thrust and motion.

In the next few months we are working hard at doing some restoration work on our large outdoor exhibit the Neecheah. She has been long over due for a facelift. Work has already begun by Rustic North's Mr. Gerry Peters. We hope it will be ready for our opening season looking absolutely fantastic.

The museum will be also doing some more additional work on the exterior of our building with Phase II of our Landscaping project, and we hope to see our new onsite storage facility in place by the end of the summer season. Make sure you come and visit this summer to see all the exciting changes and updates, we look forward to seeing you here.

Have a warm and safe summer season from the Staff and Board of Directors here at the Yukon Transportation Museum.



Yukon Heritage Resources Board

By Loree Stewart, Executive Director

The Yukon Heritage Resources Board held a one-day meeting in February and a two-day meeting at the end of March. Some of the highlights of the meetings include:

- **Federal Museum policy** – Canadian Heritage Minister Bev Oda responded to our concerns about the Museums Assistance Program (MAP), Young Canada Works (YCW) in Heritage Organizations and the Summer Career Placements Program. She stated that the Government of Canada is committed to developing a museum policy that will better address today's challenges and realities. She forwarded our concerns about the Summer Career Placements Program to the Hon. Diane Finley, Minister of Human Resources and Social Development
- **Aboriginal languages in Canada** – Minister Oda responded to YHRB's concern about federal funding for the preservation and revitalization of Aboriginal languages in Canada by stating that Canada "...will work with interested parties to develop long-term options for the preservation, revitalization and promotion of First Nations, Inuit and Métis languages." Funding at \$5million per year will continue while new program and policy options to continue this work are being considered.
- **Yukon Minister of Tourism and Culture Elaine Taylor** accepted YHRB's recommendation to put forward the designation of the Caribou Hotel, Carcross as a Yukon Historic Site under the provisions of the *Historic Resources Act*. Nomination and guideline information can be found at www.yukonhistoricplaces.ca/hdy/thts/
- **Minister Taylor** approved the Board's recommendations to fund the following applications under the Yukon Historic Resources Fund:
 1. Dawson City Museum & Historical Society Web Site Development
 2. Caribou Hotel Rehabilitation Project
 3. Teslin Radio Repeater Station Asbestos and Insulation Removal
 4. Southern Tutchone Elder's Oral History
 5. Development of a Heritage Management Plan for the City of Dawson

This year \$21,850 in interest generated from the trust fund was available to fund these projects. The deadline for applications is October 15 of each year. Guidelines and applications can be found at www.yukonheritage.com/

- The Board adopted its strategic plan as a working document at its February meeting and will be sending out copies to stakeholders in the near future.
- Board members met informally with Grand Chief Andy Carvill, his executive assistant Joan Graham and communications officer Peter Lesniak on February 7th to introduce board members and open the lines of communication for future activities. Some of the discussion included: staggered appointments to the board, YHRB's Strategic Plan, YHRB's proposed process to adjudicate disputed ethnographic objects as outlined in Chapter 13 of the UFA, utilization of the Board, role of the Board as heritage advocates and Yukon First Nation languages.
- Board members met with Andrea Sebastian of Canadian Heritage on March 27 with the idea of developing a long-term ongoing relationship with Canadian Heritage much the same as the board enjoys with Yukon's Cultural Services Branch. Ms. Sebastian forwarded the Board a link to the federal government's Blue Ribbon Panel report on Grant and Contribution Programs www.brp-gde.ca/en/report.cfm
- Sarah Charlie, Cultural Services Branch, gave a presentation on "Searching For Our Heritage" at the March meeting. The purpose of this database project is to identify the locations of Yukon artifacts outside of the territory and to learn more about Yukon artifacts from Yukon First Nation Elders.
- Members of the board's Special Projects Committee met with lawyer James Bishop for a half day facilitated session on what a process to hear disputes regarding ownership of heritage resources might look like. The Board will continue to develop this process.
- Board members said farewell to each other at their last board meeting held on March 30/31. Their three-year term comes to an end on April 17 for Ingrid Johnson, Patricia Cunning, Carolyn Allen, Joyce Armstrong, André Bourcier, Ron Chambers, Bob Munroe, Sharon A. Peter, Carl Sidney and Diane Strand. The Minister of Tourism and Culture appoints members to the Board for three-year terms.

The Yukon Heritage Resources Board is located in the historic Taylor House at 412 Main Street in Whitehorse. We can be reached there or by phone: 668-7150 or email: yhrb@northwestel.net.





MacBride Museum

Hours of Operation:

September to May Tuesday- Saturday 12pm-4pm
Daily summer hours of 9am to 6 pm start May 14th

Museum Expansion:

Construction on the building is almost complete. Donald Watt

& Gisli Balzer worked with Bret Heebink and associates to complete interior construction for the exhibits. The MacBride Museum archives have been moved to their new home on the second floor of the expansion and the reference library is open to the public. Over the summer, as exhibits are constructed, "Behind the Scenes" tours will be offered daily for museum visitors.



Thanks to Yukon Government and Canada for financial support toward this project.

MacBride Museum Kids Series

Yukon Secret Agents, the sequel to Aurore of the Yukon, will be published this spring. The official launch will be Wednesday, June 6th at MacBride Museum. Meet the author, Keith Halliday, photographer Ken Quong and the illustrators. See www.macbridemuseum.com for details. Sign up for the summer camp for kids aged 5-12.

Summer Camp

Yukon Secret Agents – the summer camp will be held from July 9th to 12th. Sign up early as summer camps fill up fast. Contact Tracey at 667-2707 x3.

Spring & Summer Events:



May 18th International Museums Day- this year's theme is 'Museums and Universal Heritage.'

We will be celebrating Human and Cultural achievements. There will be a presentation on Kate Carmack and her cape that is in the MacBride collection. The presentation will include the type of work MacBride does to preserve and protect this artifact.

May 26th Spring Tea Event – Spring is here and what a great way to celebrate it, bring your spouse, child, friend or parents. There will be something for everyone including a silent auction (still looking for items) and great food. To buy a ticket call 667-2709 ext 3.

June 21, 24, & 27 & July 1st Treasure Hunters – Kind of like an amazing race with historical clues, this is a great way to learn about our city and the people and history that built it. This game will take you from one historical site to another as you learn about the different places and the story behind them.

August 21 Discovery Days - Take time out and visit us we are planning lots of fun and interactive activities for everyone.

Membership:

Renewing your membership is easy. **For the month of May only, to celebrate MacBride's 56th anniversary – all individual memberships are only \$5.** Drop by or call Tracey at 667-2709 ext 3 to renew by phone or download the form from our website at www.macbridemuseum.com.

Volunteers:

We are always looking for volunteers to undertake a variety of tasks. If you can help, please contact Tracey at 667-2709 x 3. Volunteers who devote more than 10 hours receive membership benefits.

Taylor and Drury Room:

For a truly unique experience, our venue surrounds you in the Yukon's past. The Taylor and Drury room has no match for atmosphere and acoustics. This is a perfect room for cocktail receptions, theatre style presentations or smaller catered dinner meetings. Call Tracey to rent at 667-2709 x 3.

Check out our website, www.macbridemuseum.com for up-to-date information on our programs and exhibits! Thank you to all of our members for your continuing support and interest in the MacBride Museum. Hope to see you soon. The Board and staff of MacBride Museum

Yukon Continues To Support Yukon Museums

WHITEHORSE - Tourism and Culture Minister Elaine Taylor has announced there will be a funding increase of \$150,000 in 2007-08, subject to legislative approval, to assist Yukon museums with their operations. "Our museums, interpretive and First Nation cultural/heritage centres give us a sense of our roots and contribute to our identity as Yukoners," Taylor said. "We are fortunate to have many world-class institutions where visitors can learn about our culture and history, and Yukoners can celebrate their own contributions and accomplishments."

The \$150,000 increase will bring the Yukon government's total Operations and Maintenance support for Yukon museums to \$843,000 for 2007-08.

Discussions with the museums sector are also underway to review special project funding levels, with the view of reallocating funds to further strengthen their operation needs. The Museums Strategy Advisory Committee will play an advisory role in allocating all new funds.

"This increase in funding will assist our museums to remain active participants in Yukon's cultural and heritage community," Taylor said, noting that together with special initiative funding, total direct government support to Yukon museums will be more than \$1.25 million.

The new funding tops off a strong record of government support for the museums sector. The Yukon government is pleased to support the MacBride Museum with its expansion plans for a total of \$729,000. In addition, the Community Development Fund (CDF) provided \$68,000 for the expansion project with an additional \$199,000 of CDF funds supporting exhibit development costs.

"The Yukon government supports MacBride's long time aspirations of an expansion that would address programming and exhibit needs that ultimately contributes to the further development of the Whitehorse waterfront," Taylor said.

Taylor added that government recognizes that Yukon museums, interpretive and cultural/heritage centres are pressed to balance their roles as educational organizations against the need to attract visitors through their exhibits, artifacts, photos, dioramas and programs.

"Yukon museums entertain, educate and reveal Yukon's history and heritage through its stories," Taylor said. "The Yukon government is pleased to be able to assist these important collective guardians of our history with additional funding that will help support their endeavors."

Training & Development

In March 2007 the Yukon Historical & Museums Association conducted an online survey of Yukon heritage professionals. The intention of the survey was designed to gauge the interest of the heritage community in offering a University of Victoria course in the Yukon, what topics are of most interest, what time of year is best for training and in which community training is preferred. From that survey the University of Victoria and YHMA are organizing a Cultural Tourism Course to be held in Whitehorse October 22-27, pending funding approval.

26 respondents answered the survey. Results are listed below:

Course Preferences- (top three choices per topics section)

Museum Studies Topics:

1. Memory & Narrative in Museums **(1)**
2. Communicating Through Exhibitions
3. Collections Management

Heritage Conservation Topics:

1. Heritage Area Conservation **(3)**
2. Determining Significance of Heritage Resources
3. Conserving Historic Structures

Cultural Management Topics:

1. Cultural Tourism **(2)**
2. Program Evaluation and Performance Measurement
3. Managing Cultural Heritage Centers

Are there any other topics not listed that you would like to see offered?

1. Fundraising for museums
2. Exposure to other museums and facilities
3. Helping First Nations Heritage Conservation
4. Records Management/Archives
5. Exhibit Construction- hands on techniques and materials

Preferred month for training:

- November 2007- 58%
- October 2007- 41%
- January/February 2008- 40%

Preferred location:

- Whitehorse-83%
- Dawson City- 37.5%
- Haines Junction- 8.3%
- Carmacks, Fort Selkirk, Old Crow (each received one vote)

Funding Opportunities



The next intake for the **Yukon Heritage Training Fund** is August 15, 2007.

The Yukon Historical & Museums Association would like to thank the Advanced Education, Government of Yukon for their continued support in making this fund a reality. For a complete report of all projects funded during the 2006- 2007 fiscal year please contact the YHMA office.

For more information on how to apply please visit <http://www.heritageyukon.ca/trainingfund.aspx> , call Rebecca Jansen, HTF Advisor, at 667-4704 or stop in at 3126 Third Avenue, Whitehorse to pick up an application.

Tier I (\$20,000 or less) & Tier II (\$20,001 to \$75,000) funding applications for the **Community Development Fund** are due May 15, 2007.

Applications are to be submitted to the CDF office by 5:00 P.M. on the deadline date. Please do not wait to the last minute to submit applications.



CDF is a generous supporter of Yukon heritage and museums. The primary goal of the CDF is funding projects and events that provide long-term benefit and value to Yukon communities. For more information or for an application visit their office at Suite #112 - 100 Main Street (Horwoods Mall) Whitehorse or <http://www.economicdevelopment.gov.yk.ca/general/cdfindex.html>

A New Face and Attitude for the Yukon Tourism Industry

Whitehorse, Yukon - Six industry representatives together with seven tourism association appointees comprise the new Board of Directors of TIA Yukon. 120 tourism industry professionals turned out last weekend to vote in new bylaws and to elect a new Board of Directors at 'Transforming Tourism: Connecting the Dots'.

This new model represents an umbrella model for tourism association work. Based on research of the Yukon tourism efforts and the purpose of TIA Yukon, the new model was proposed. The TIA Yukon Board is now comprised of industry sector-specific seats (6) together with Yukon tourism association appointees (7), called Designated Organizations. This slate represents a balance of industry sectors together with a voting seat for associations that primarily deal with Yukon-wide tourism issues. The only exception is the Klondike Visitors Association. They are regional in title but their work and marketing is of major tourism icons and international in scope.

"This is an exciting time for the Association and for tourism in the Yukon", said Patti Balsillie, TIA Yukon CEO. "Not only will the Association begin a new mandate and operate under the guidance of a new Board, TIA Yukon is also leading a Yukon tourism industry business planning process."

Unlike previous strategic plans for tourism in the Yukon, this industry-led exercise will conclude direction that is industry-led, research based and market-driven – not unlike the essential principles of tourism development.

The new TIA Yukon Board of Directors for the 2007-08 year are:

- Rod Taylor, Uncommon Journeys - Chair
- Mary Ann Ferguson, Westmark Whitehorse – First Vice Chair
- Sharon Miller, Air North – Second Vice Chair
- Garry Umbrich – Hotsprings Valley Retreat – Secretary/Treasurer
- Ron Chambers – Kruda Che Guiding
- Dee Enright – Outside the Cube
- Jenn Houtby – Yukon Convention Bureau
- Maxine Mattinson – Wilderness Tourism Association of the Yukon
- Teena Dickson – Yukon Outfitters Association
- Stephen Reynolds – Yukon Quest
- Rebecca Jansen – Yukon Historical & Museums Association
- Bill Holmes – Klondike Visitors Association
- Meta Williams – Yukon First Nations Tourism Association

Other highlights from the conference included the launch of TIA Yukon's new Tourism Industry website (www.tiayukon.com), a reception featuring awards and celebrations of past Presidents and the outgoing board, a facilitated tourism industry workshop marking the beginning of a Yukon tourism industry business plan and the induction of outgoing Vice President June Hampton of Arrangements Yukon as an honorary TIA Yukon member for her contributions to the Yukon tourism industry.

Yukon Historical & Museums Association 30th Anniversary Celebration

Friday May 11, 2007

- Presentation of Annual Heritage Awards followed by YHMA 30th Anniversary reception. 6:30-10:00 pm
Yukon Transportation Museum, 30 Electra Cres.

Saturday May 12, 2007

- YHMA Strategic Plan Workshop 10:30am-Noon
- Website Launch & Membership Renewal 1pm-1:30 pm
- YHMA Annual General Meeting 1:30 pm- 2:30 pm
MacBride Museum, 1124 First Avenue

For more information call (867) 667-4704 or email yhma@northwestel.net
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WATSON LAKE & TESLIN



Northern Lights Centre in Watson Lake is home to the Yukon's only visitor facility dedicated to the science and folklore of the aurora borealis. Open mid-May to mid-September, 7 days a week-12:30 pm to 9:30 pm and by appointment in the off-season.

George Johnston Museum and Heritage Park is a must-see Teslin attraction named after George Johnston, a venerated Tlingit elder, trapper, fur trader, entrepreneur and photographer. Open June 1st to September 1st, 7 days a week- 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.



The **Teslin Tlingit Heritage Centre** welcomes visitors to participate in the everyday life of the Tlingit people whose traditions are reflected in every aspect of the facility. Open late May to early September, 7 days a week- 9:00 am to 5:00 pm or by appointment in the off-season.



WHITEHORSE

The **Yukon Archives** preserves and shares a wealth of original, unique and irreplaceable materials that shed light on almost every aspect of the Yukon experience and is a great place to start your search into that mysterious relative who may have taken part in the Klondike Gold Rush or any other significant event in Yukon history. Open year-round, Tuesday - Saturday.



Explore the mysteries of that world within the **Yukon Beringia Interpretive Centre** and watch Beringia come alive. Open mid-May to late September, 9:00 am to 6:00 pm.

The **Yukon Transportation Museum** interprets the history and evolution of travel in the Yukon. The Mile 917 Gallery & Gift shop offers many Yukon-made gifts that will help you remember your visit. Open May 14 to August 31, 7 days a week, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.



YUKON Heritage ATTRACTIONS



Yukon's first museum, **MacBride** interprets the Territory's history, specializing in the role of Whitehorse. Go **'Behind the Scenes'** this summer as we build a new exhibit on Yukon's modern stories. Daily activities, historic films, gift shop. 9am-6pm daily from May 14th to August 31st. www.macbridemuseum.com.

Built in 1900, the **Old Log Church and Rectory** are among the oldest buildings in Whitehorse. Today, the church's exhibits and interactive displays tell stories about the early days of missionaries, whalers, explorers and Yukon First Nations. The museum is also the best place to hear about the legendary "Bishop Who Ate His Boots!" Open mid-May to Labour Day, 7 days a week - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.



On the **Yukon Historical & Museums Association's** 45-minute walking tour of Whitehorse, informed guides take visitors on a journey back in time, revealing more than a century of the city's heritage through fascinating stories about its historic buildings, unique architecture and local landmarks. Open June - August, Monday - Saturday, 9:00, 11:00, 1:00 and 3:00.



The **Miles Canyon Historic Railway Society** restores and preserves mining and railway history. Thanks to its efforts, visitors to downtown Whitehorse can park and ride the **Waterfront Trolley**. The society also operates the **Copper Belt Railway** on the Alaska Highway north of Whitehorse on the edge of the historic copper mining region. Open late May to early September. **Waterfront Trolley**, Open 7 days a week. **Copper Belt Railway**, open Monday to Saturday.



CAMPBELL REGION

The **Campbell Region Interpretive Centre** can be found in an impressive log building in "downtown" Faro. It is the place to go for information and interesting displays on the Campbell Region's history, geology and wildlife. Open 7 days a week, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm in May and September and 10:00 am to 6:00 pm in June, July & August.



KLONDIKE

The **Tagé Cho Hudān Interpretive Centre** in Carmacks showcases the past and present culture of the Northern Tutchone with many fascinating exhibits. The staff conducts guided tours in an oral tradition. Open mid-May to mid-September, 7 days a week- 9:00 am to 6:00 pm or by appointment in the off-season.



The **Selkirk First Nation Cultural Centre** at Pelly Crossing is housed in a replica of Fort Selkirk's **Big Jonathan House**. This attraction has a range of works by local artists, as well as locally-made beaded clothing, birch bark baskets, baby birch bedding and tools. Open mid-May to mid-September, 10:00 am to 7:00 pm.



Dānojā Zho Cultural Centre (Long Time Ago House) celebrates and shares the traditional and contemporary experiences of the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in. Open May to September, 7 days a week or by appointment in the off-season.



The **Dawson City Museum** is housed in the beautiful Old Territorial Administration Building National Historic Site. The exhibits provide an in-depth look at Dawson's social and mining history, the Hän First Nations People, pre-gold rush history, the colourful Gold Rush era, and the natural history of the Klondike. Open mid-May to Labour Day weekend, 7 days a week - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm and by appointment in the off-season.



SILVER TRAIL

A restored heritage building in the community of Mayo, **Binet House** is home to displays on area history, early medical instruments, wildlife, geology, and local permafrost studies and the Na-Cho Nyäk Dun First Nation. Open June 1 to August 31, 7 days a week - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.



The **Keno City Mining Museum** building is Jackson Hall, Keno City's old community centre built in the 1920s. This museum captures the gold and silver mining history of the area dating from the early 1900s. Open late May to September, 7 days a week - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm.



KLUANE

Kluane Museum of Natural History offers a world-class wildlife exhibit along with displays on the Southern Tutchone people and the many plant species that make their home in the national park. Open mid-May to mid-September, 7 days a week - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm May & September and 9:00 am to 8:00 pm in June to August.



For more information on Yukon Heritage Attractions please call (867) 667-4704 or visit www.heritageyukon.ca/ or www.yukonmuseums.ca.



Newsletter Submissions

The YHMA newsletter is the official newsletter of the Yukon Historical & Museums Association.

The newsletter is our way of fostering communications among the heritage community.

We welcome our members to submit articles, project reports, pictures and other related announcements for publication in upcoming issues.

Submission deadlines for upcoming Newsletters are:

- Summer: July 6, 2007
Fall: October 5, 2007
Winter: January 11, 2008

Please email submissions to yhma@northwestel.net



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- Yes! I would like to become a TIA Yukon Member for no additional charge.
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