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It's time to have your say !!

This is your opportunity to listen and speak to the museum management and consultants !!



The Royal British Columbia Museum wants to hear from you regarding the future of the museum. They are offering dialogue opportunities through in-person and online meetings. Meeting opportunities are offered for in-person and online sessions. You can register for the numerous dates and times through the RBCM Calendar. Available spots will go quickly.

Want to listen and learn? Want to have your say? Click the link below to go the RBCM Calendar and pick your spot!



HALLMARK EVENT

THE HERITAGE DETECTIVE - HEAR
THE STORIES OF HISTORIC
HOUSES.

Please join us at the historic
Wentworth Villa at 7:30 pm,
Wednesday, February 22, 2023
for an interesting lecture by author
Helen Edwards as she introduces her
new book *The Heritage Detective*
revealing the clues that led her to the
stories of Victoria's heritage homes.

[CLICK FOR TICKETS](#)



For a self-guided heritage walking tour that takes you through the Saanich Core and includes the designated municipal hall at 770 Vernon Avenue, click on the button below.

This tour will cover the many historic homes in the area of Quadra and Cloverdale that were constructed just before and after World War I.

The tour includes a small test about what you have observed.

[LINK to SAANICH HERITAGE WALK](#)

1907 Harbeck Film - In Colour

Most are familiar with the film made by William Harbeck in 1907 of Victoria and Vancouver. Almost 15 years ago, the Hallmark Heritage Society digitized the VHS tape and posted the edited film **Victoria in 1907 - Then and Now** [LINK](#) .

We can now see a new copy online, digitally remastered and colourized from a Vancouver technician that, partially, provides a different view. By slowing down the video (something easily done on YouTube), you can easily read the signs on the shops and see the faces of the people walking down Government Street.

Perhaps you can spot Francis Rattenbury coming out from his office or Emily Carr doing her afternoon shopping.

Unfortunately, the digital wizard, NASS, did not colourize the trip up and down the Gorge which was done the same day.



WE ARE LOSING OUR HISTORY

On December 7, 2022, the Times Colonist published an op-ed from John Lutz and Jason Colby discussing the loss of history with the substantial closing of the Royal B.C. Museum.

If you read it, GOOD.

If not, YOU SHOULD READ IT NOW!

We suggest you write or email your MLA and add a copy of the op-ed. The Royal British Columbia Museum is a vital link in the education of all of British Columbia's citizens as well as a popular tourist attraction. To let it languish into disrepair and ignorance is a disgrace to the province and its peoples.

[LINK to Times Colonist Op-Ed](#)

HALLMARK HERITAGE AWARDS

It is that time of year when we are seeking nomination for the popular Hallmark Heritage Awards. Are you aware of a house, a building, a person, or a book that could be considered for an Award? If so, follow the link below to our website where we have simplified the Award nomination process to allow online submissions for awards.

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So please consider who or what should receive an award. Click the button below to go to the Hallmark website for details.

[Hallmark Awards Page](#)

HALLMARK MEMBERSHIP

NOW IS THE TIME TO RENEW YOUR HALLMARK MEMBERSHIP or, IF NOT A MEMBER, NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN WITH HALLMARK.

The Hallmark Heritage Society is a membership-driven, volunteer advocacy group dedicated to the preservation and celebration of the architectural history of the Greater Victoria area.

We speak to the various bodies of government, send letters to our newspapers and communicate as far as is possible to the general public.

Without members the Society could cease to exist.

We need your help! Please renew your membership NOW or, if you can, join with us in our endeavours to preserve the architecture and history of Victoria and the surrounding cities.

[LINK TO MEMBERSHIP PAGE](#)



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