



Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services
Burnaby Village Museum

Home of the CW Parker Carousel

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: COMMUNITY HERITAGE COMMISSION DATE: 2021 November 18

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SUBJECT: BURNABY VILLAGE MUSEUM UPDATES

This Halloween, the City of Burnaby presented *Eerie Illusions*, a brand new, immersive, multi-media experience at Burnaby Village Museum. Featuring state-of-the-art animation, lighting, projection and sound design. Highlights included:

- 20,215 total tickets sold
- 19,173 total attendance (including previews)
- 700 tickets given away through local Not For Profits
- \$169,860 gross revenue

Neighborhood Speaker Series: Japanese-Canadians in Burnaby Fall 2021

- Reach live - **170** for 4 speaker sessions (1 in person, 3 online offerings)
- Video views over 4 weeks - **855** for 3 speaker sessions.

The following talks are available for viewing on-line at:

<https://heritageburnaby.ca/news/neighbourhood-speaker-series-fall-2021/>

- Timothy Nishibata of the Vancouver Japanese Gardeners Association discusses Japanese gardener and Burnaby resident Roy Sumi, and his influential practices in the Greater Vancouver Area.
- Raymond Nakamura presents *From Fuki to Ofuro: Japanese Canadians in Burnaby*.
- Debra Sloan discusses the life and work of Burnaby ceramic artist Thomas Kakinuma, and his influences on mid-century practices.

Fall Public Programs:

- Adult Courses - **sold out** with waitlists (Blacksmith programs, Seasonal Programs)

- Children and Family programs - **sold out** with waitlists (Bat Box Making, Heritage Adventures Pro-D Day Camps)

Fall School Programs:

- Return to school groups onsite with the self-guided Heritage Christmas School Program
- – **1230 students booked**, booking still open.
 - Offer available: November 29 – December 10th
- Pilot and launch of *Museum Detectives Virtual School Program* in affiliation with Heritage Planning's *Chinese Canadian History in Burnaby Resource Guide*. Grade 5 school program focused on the Chinese-Canadian experience, Canada's past immigration policies and ways in which Chinese Canadians contributed to growth and development in British Columbia.
 - Pilot runs Nov. 9th and 10th

Burnaby Village Museum's 50th anniversary commemorative book has gone to print! *Our Stories at 50: Fifty Years at the Burnaby Village Museum* is a comprehensive coffee table book filled with stories, photos and reminiscences about the many people and phases of development of the past fifty years. Stay tuned for an official book launch in 2022.

Burnaby Village Museum's awarding winning temporary exhibit *Across the Pacific* will be transformed into a virtual exhibit for visitors to enjoy online. Work is currently ongoing to create an audio and visual experience that highlights the history and legacy of Burnaby's Chinese Canadian community from the 1800s to present.

Heritage Christmas at the Burnaby Village Museum is back for another year of wonder and joy. From November 27th until January 3rd, the streets of the Village will once again be filled with performers, festive lights and displays. The beloved 1912 C.W. Parker Carousel will be opening again with limited capacity. Weekend visits with Father Christmas and a take home craft (animal lantern) will be available.

Respectfully submitted,

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