



MURNEY NEWS

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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- Our latest art and crafts tutorial "Shoot Blomefield Shoot!" is available on [YouTube](#).



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OVERVIEW OF THE MONTH

Happy March from the Murney Tower team!

We're excited to announce that we will be participating in the reimagined March of the Museums 2022, organized by the Kingston and Area Association of Museums, Art Galleries and Historic Sites (KAM). This family-friendly, collaborative, and fun event aims to foster engagement with and access to local cultural heritage sites. This year, March of the Museums will feature a blend of on-site activity days and online activities from 14 to 18 March 2022. Murney Tower is thrilled to be one of the participating members again this year, and we have revamped our "How About Hat?!" craft into an educational experience that narrates the history of the people who lived in the tower. Registration links for craft activity bags and participant spots at host sites are LIVE NOW at [this link](#). Come and join us on March 15th and 16th!





COLLECTION WORK

The museum's curator, Simge Erdogan-O'Connor, collections assistant, Madison Hall, and volunteer, Joanna Dermenjian have joined forces last fall to organize the museum's new offsite storage, clean and wrap artifacts, and create a full museum inventory for 2022. As of March 2022, we opened eight boxes, cleaned, and wrapped more than 200 artifacts. The museum's curator and staff are spending several days at the offsite storage each week, taking care of the artifacts and making new discoveries about the Murney Tower Museum's eclectic collection which consists of over 1,000 military and domestic artifacts that portray the nineteenth-century life in Kingston. Stay tuned for more updates!

MUSEUM MANAGER AND CURATOR

We're pleased to announce that our manager and curator, Simge Erdogan-O'Connor will continue her work at the museum in 2022. Simge joined our team in March 2020 as incoming manager and curator to oversee the museum's daily operations, collections, and strategic projects. Simge's position is funded by the City of Kingston Heritage Fund, which allows the museum to hire a professional staff to oversee the museum's operations and projects year-round. Simge has a decade of international experience working in museums, art galleries, and heritage sites. She is truly passionate about developing meaningful cultural experiences that can connect the community with the heritage of Kingston. She's looking forward to developing new projects to engage with the Kingston community in 2022.



SUBSCRIBE TO OUR CHANNEL!

Are you looking for new ways to engage with Kingston's history from the comfort of your home? We've got you covered. Murney Tower Museum's YouTube channel (@Murney Tower) features staff interviews, instructional videos, arts and craft tutorials, collection presentations, and even a cooking series, which appeal to different age groups and audiences. Our videos provide an in-depth exploration of different topics related to the Murney Tower and nineteenth-century life in Kingston. All videos are free and available for all and only one click away! Don't forget to subscribe to our channel and leave us a comment. We would love to hear from you!

