



UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ **June 2:** Bound & Determined Exhibit Opens
- ◆ **June 3:** Weekend Walking tours begin, 11 am
- ◆ **June 7:** Members' Exhibit Launch, 4-6 pm
- ◆ **June 8:** Indigenous History Lecture, 7 pm
- ◆ **June 15:** Farmerette Lecture, 7:30 pm
- ◆ **July 5:** Yoga in the Courtyard, 9 am
- ◆ **July 9:** Act to Limit Slavery Commemoration, 11 am
- ◆ **July 12:** Yoga in the Courtyard, 9 am
- ◆ **July 17-21:** Kid Curators Camp
- ◆ **July 20:** Chloe Cooley Lecture, 7:30 pm
- ◆ **July 24:** Famous & Infamous, 2 pm
- ◆ **July 26:** Yoga in the Courtyard, 9 am
- ◆ **July 29:** Band in the Barn Fundraiser
- ◆ **Aug 2:** Yoga in the Courtyard, 9 am
- ◆ **Aug 7:** Heritage Festival, 11 - 4 pm
- ◆ **Aug 9:** Yoga in the Courtyard, 9 am
- ◆ **Aug 14 - 18:** Kid Curators Camp
- ◆ **Aug 17:** Underground Railroad Lecture, 7:30 pm
- ◆ **Aug 23:** Yoga in the Courtyard, 9 am
- ◆ **Aug 28:** Famous & Infamous, 2 pm
- ◆ **Aug 31:** Heritage Garden Party at 164 Johnson, 3-5 pm

Spring & Summer Updates

June is certainly bustin' out all over, and the Museum is just a hive of activity with its hard-working gardening crew, volunteers working in collections and archives, two new student interns, a new coordinator hired for the Tiny Museum events this year, and a new exhibit opening. But our museum is always a busy place, made happier by our volunteers.

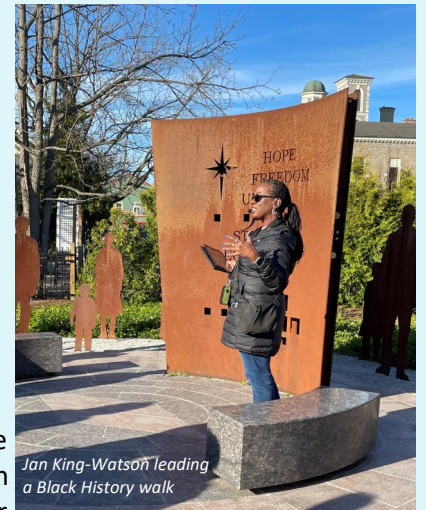
Our Neighbourhood Walks throughout May were once again sold-out, and a wonderful way to learn more about our unique communities from our talented guides. Plus, we've been receiving many requests for private tours. The Doc Club wrapped for the season, with eager anticipation for the fall, and the Phoenix Circle and other special donors were invited to an event at the NOTL Sailing Club, which was a perfect complement – and farewell - to our Waterfront exhibit. Meanwhile, our monthly in-person lectures continue to be popular and always entertaining.

And now stand by to open up your day timers because we have two adventure outings **for our volunteers**. We have been the successful recipient of a grant, allowing us the opportunity to offer two bus tours to the following destinations:

- **Tour #1:** Hamilton's Dundurn Castle and Military Museum for guided tours and a heritage cooking workshop, followed by lunch and tours at the Royal Botanical Gardens.
- **Tour #2:** The Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto: Enjoy a private guided tour of seven galleries in Ontario's premier art gallery, Canadian and Indigenous art, and the AGO's world class contemporary exhibits. Lunch is provided.

These bus trips will be available on a first come, first served basis, at no cost to our **volunteers**. Watch for sign up details. Meanwhile, enjoy the sun and stay well.

- Babs Worthy, Community Outreach Coordinator



Jan King-Watson leading a Black History walk

happening at the museum

FAMOUS & INFAMOUS: Biography Discussion Group | 2 pm | Free for all

DATE	PRESENTER	SUBJECT
June 26	Craig Tallman	Gavro Principe
July 24	Betsy Masson	Pamela Digby Churchill Harriman
Aug 28	Richard Ficek	The Rosenbergs
Sept 25	Michael Clark	George McCullagh
Oct 23	Paulette Kennedy	Alex Humboldt
Nov 27	Julian Rance	Dame Cicely Saunders

Tiny Museum Out on the Town

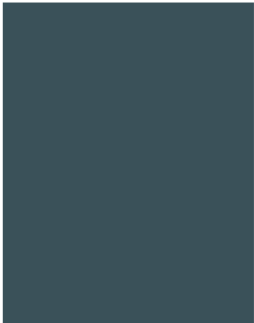
The Tiny Museum will be making more than 10 appearances throughout the community this summer! Here are some of the planned dates, with more to come. Stop by the Tiny Museum and see what's inside at these popular community events:

- **June 17** | Strawberry Festival at St. Andrews
- **June 24-25** | WWI Event, Fort George
- **July 1** | Canada Day at Simcoe Park
- **July 8** | Cherry Festival at St. Marks
- **August 7** | Heritage Festival at the Museum
- **August 12** | Peach Festival on Queen St.



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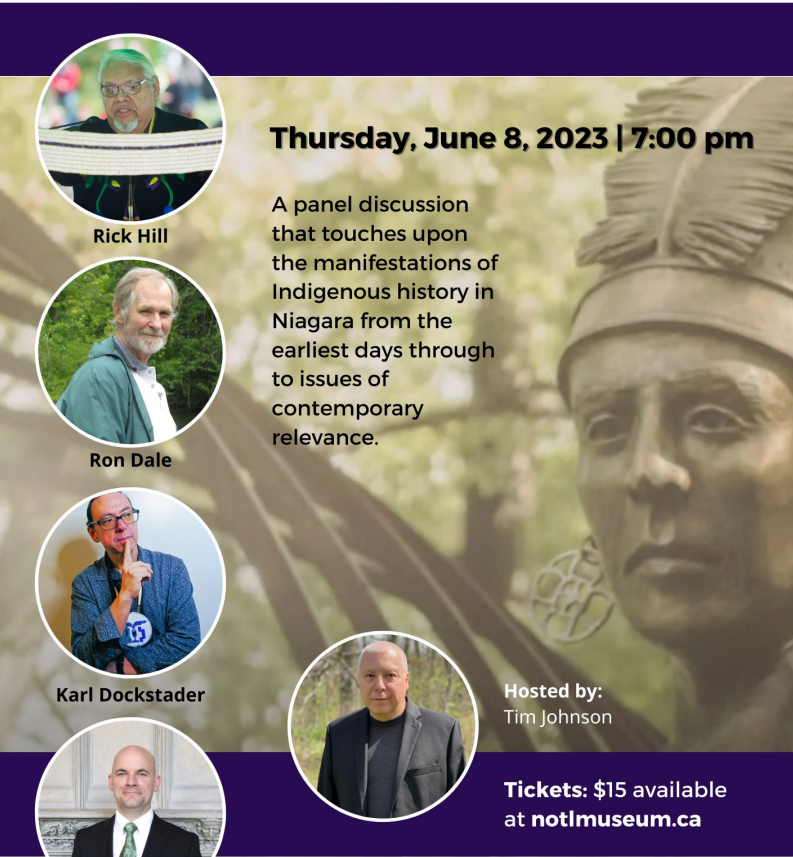
BOUND AND DETERMINED: Chloe Cooley, Enslavement, and the Fight for Freedom

Exhibition Opening:
WED, JUNE 7, 2023
4:00 - 6:00 PM
 RSVP: aklassen@nhsm.ca or
 905-468-3912 by June 2.

Co-Curators:
 Rochelle Bush
 Natasha Henry-Dixon
 Sarah Kaufman
 Shawna Butts


BEYOND THE MIST


Niagara's Indigenous History





Thursday, June 8, 2023 | 7:00 pm

A panel discussion that touches upon the manifestations of Indigenous history in Niagara from the earliest days through to issues of contemporary relevance.


 Rick Hill


 Ron Dale


 Karl Dockstader


 Hosted by:
 Tim Johnson

Tickets: \$15 available at notlmuseum.ca



Jim Hill



Held at the NOTL Museum
 43 Castlereagh Street, NOTL
 Phone: (905) 468-3912



Band in a Barn Fundraiser

July 29, 2023 (Rain date July 30)

More details to come!



OUTDOOR YOGA IN THE COURTYARD

Wednesdays | Jul 5, 12 & 26 | Aug 2, 9 & 23
 BY DONATION @ Niagara-on-the-Lake Museum, 43 Castlereagh Street

Join Sonya Marie de Lazzer (RYT 200) for a gentle morning Hatha yoga practice; a mindful and meditative approach to opening the day, and the body, with softness. All levels welcome. Please bring your own mat and props (props optional). Weather permitting. Space is limited. Email aklassen@nhsm.ca to reserve your spot.

 www.sacredfernyoga.com | notlmuseum.ca
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9:00am - 10:00am

**COMMEMORATING
 230TH ANNIVERSARY OF
 ACT TO LIMIT SLAVERY**

Join us on **Sunday July 9th, 11am**, at the Voices of Freedom Park in Niagara-on-the-Lake, as we commemorate the 230th anniversary of the Act to Limit Slavery, introduced here in Niagara in 1793. The ceremonies will include a gospel performance from the Shaw Festival's Jeremiah Sparks, and a spoken word performance highlighting to the role played by enslaved Chloe Cooley, plus greetings from VIPs and members of the Black community.

NIAGARA HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2023 LECTURE SERIES

JUN 15: Shirleyan English & Bonnie Sitter | *Onion Skins and Peach Fuzz: Memories of Ontario Farmerettes*

JUL 20: Natasha Henry | *'Sale of Said Negro Woman': Chloe Cooley and the Enslaved Black People in Niagara*

AUG 17: Rochelle Bush | *The Underground Railroad: From Bondage to Niagara*

SEP 21: Adam Montgomery | *Stones and Stories of Southern Ontario Cemeteries*

THE PAST IS PRESENT

**HERITAGE
 FESTIVAL**

MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2023
 11AM - 3PM | FREE ADMISSION

TREASURES SALE, HISTORIC DEMONSTRATIONS, BAKE SALE, PIG ROAST, LIVE MUSIC AND MORE!

Starts at 7:30 pm
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EARLY APOTHECARY ADVERTISING

by John G. Sayers

This advertising postcard has two uninteresting personas – maybe even three? First, it's a 'modern' card, snubbed by many collectors. They like postcards from the Golden Age of Postcards, leading up to the First World War.

Second, it's a reproduction, a status anathema to almost every collector under the sun. Why collect a copy when you can hunt for the original? And in regard to this hideous artwork, why even look for the original?

But it's the third aspect that is very, very interesting and makes it a valuable Niagara-on-the-Lake research tool. The original image is shown as copyright in 1871, an advertisement for a Patent Medicine – Dr. Pierce's Golden Med. Typically at the time, a strong mixture fortified with a high percentage of alcohol cured many of the diseases known to the Western world.

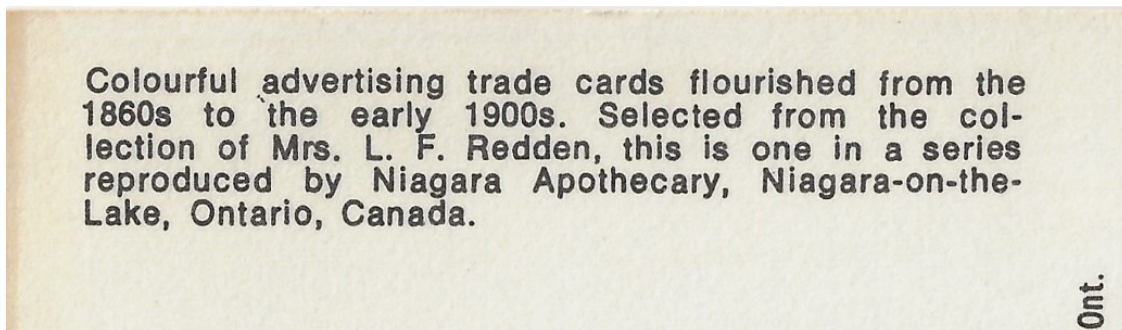
The fact that it was published in Buffalo brings it close to us, and the caption at the foot, 'Our Artist in Niagara' cements it as being in our region. At this level, it could be any regional apothecary.



What is most interesting is the narrative on the back of the card. It was reproduced by The Apothecary at Niagara-on-the-Lake. In other words, there was a previous reproduction before the reproduction that stands before us, because this is a reproduction of the Apothecary's promotion of some years earlier.

This Apothecary initial advertising card is reportedly in the collection of a Mrs. L. F. Redden. And it wasn't a single effort – there is reportedly an entire series of them. How many in the series? Four? Eight? Ten? How embarrassing – I have never seen any before this example and I am familiar with most of the postcards in local collections, including the Museum's.

So, if you encounter a postcard that could be described as an ugly reproduction, look at the back. It could be a reproduction like this one, or a reproduction originally made by The Apothecary, or maybe even the original ephemera. Happy hunting!



President's Report

Hello Everyone,
Summer is a time to let loose, reconnect with friends, nature, and your favourite cultural location in Niagara-on-the-Lake.

I have some exciting news.... The Niagara-on-the-Lake Museum congratulates our Managing Director Sarah Kaufman on being recognized with a [40 under 40 business achievement award](#). We are very fortunate to have the most amazing staff. Sarah, we are extremely proud of you. You are such an amazing leader and inspiration. This award is so well deserved!

On the museum front... If you walk or drive on Castlereagh over this week, you will note that our tent is

back up!!! The NOTL Museum outdoor courtyard is expanding its hours this year. You will be able to have a meeting, a coffee, or a chat in this beautiful outdoor space, rain or shine, until September! I have to admit it's one of my favourite spaces to hangout in town... you will most probably see me there this summer (unless I am inside buying more books from our giftshop!)
BONUS: we offer FREE WI-FI!

This summer, we have a new exhibit (check out our Assistant Curator's section for more details), and lots of lectures, historical walks, and new material to view. Hope to see you at the Museum!

Take care,
Mona Babin
President of the Niagara Historical Society

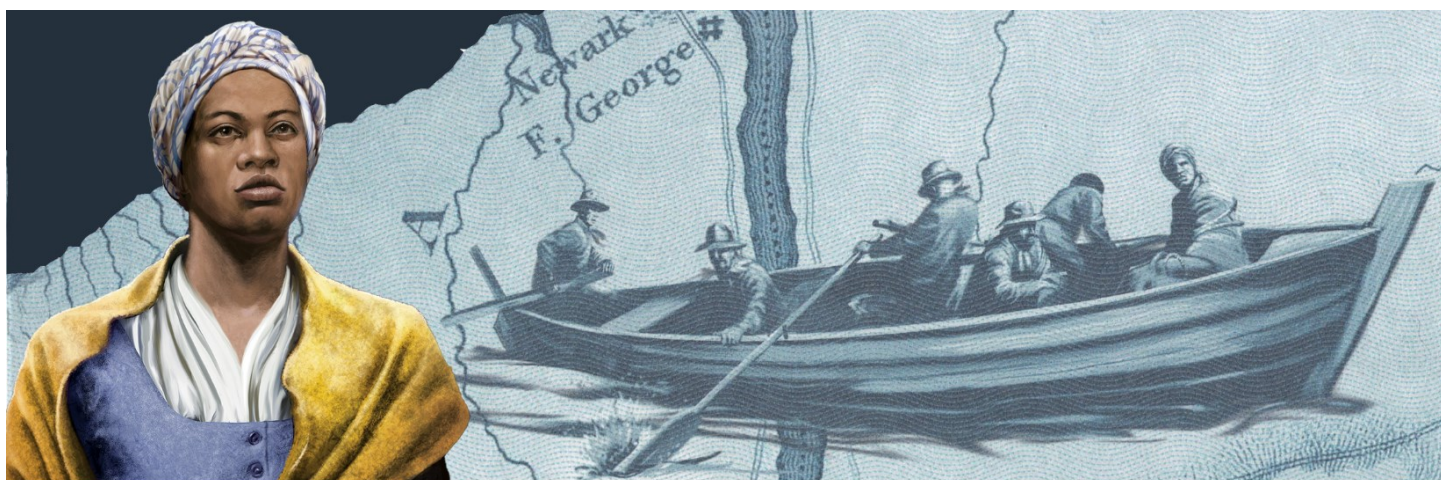


Please join us for tea, savouries, and sweets by Niagara's Finest Hotels, as well as wine by Konzelmann, served in a traditional manner in the garden of CharLou. Discover the history of one of Niagara-on-the-Lake's premier historic homes and its residents over time. Special guests will be in attendance.

CharLou sits amid beautiful trees and gardens on one acre in the centre of Old Town, on land granted by the Crown to David Burns in 1796. The house was constructed in 1845 by Alexander Davidson, the first mayor of Niagara-on-the-Lake. The original house remains lovingly cared for and has been enhanced over the years.

This fundraiser supports the Niagara-on-the-Lake Museum's delivery of quality programs and assists the Museum in preserving the history of our community. Join us for a preview of the exciting plans for the future of the Museum.

Tickets: \$75 per person (includes a partial tax receipt). Available via the NOTL Museum website. Get your tickets early. Limited availability. www.notlmuseum.ca



Images courtesy of Canada Post

Bound and Determined



June 2, to
November 13, 2023

Our upcoming exhibition is titled *Bound and Determined: Chloe Cooley, Enslavement, and the Fight for Freedom*, and will be on display June 2 - November 13, 2023.

Canadians tend to pride themselves on knowing that our country was a safe haven for people escaping enslavement from the United States. However, what Canadians don't realize is that slavery existed here for over 200 years. About 600 enslaved people of African descent lived in Upper Canada (Ontario) until 1834, and at least 80 lived in Niagara-on-the-Lake (NOTL).

This year marks the 230th Anniversary of the passing of the first anti-slavery legislation in the British Empire, which was passed right here in NOTL.

And it is all thanks to a strong-willed Black woman named Chloe Cooley. This exhibition commemorates this anniversary and the legacy that Chloe left behind. We are very fortunate to have both Rochelle Bush and Natasha Henry-Dixon, join us as Co-Curators for this exhibition.

COLLECTIONS CORNER

During our last collections meeting, we accessioned this fantastic photograph of the Shepherd Boats Ladies Baseball Team. The team played between 1948 and 1950 and consisted of players from Niagara and Virgil. They played games in Lincoln County and their home games were at the Legion Ball Park. In 1949, this team became the Lincoln County Champions, when they defeated the Grimsby Peach Queens.



FROM THE MANAGING DIRECTOR

We're gearing up for almost 60 programs running over the summer season! We hope you will be able to join us for some of them. Our Heritage Festival will be on the Monday of the August long weekend (August 7th). Get ready for our heritage interpreters, free admission to the museum, vendors, the Tiny Museum, food, live music, and the ever-favourite... Treasures Sale! If you have started your Spring cleaning, we will gladly take donations of gently-used treasures in July.

We have now completed the Site Plan Agreement stage for the future NOTL Museum and have applied for the Building Permit. The Project Committee has done amazing work to get us to this point. I want to say a special thanks to Board Vice-President Alexander Topps, who has led the team with vigor, and to our dedicated committee members: Paul Mace, Neil Robinson, Stewart Hall (Board member), Robert Montgomery, Faith Bell, and Dick Coyne. This team has navigated through the architectural stages, consultants, innumerable reports and studies, all to help us move our vision into reality. We appreciate them sharing their expertise and time for the benefit of a new and improved NOTL Museum.

We can't wait to get shovels in the ground on this transformative project for the community. It is time that NOTL has a museum that is accessible, with interactive exhibitions and the space to host experiential learning programs. If you would like to support the [Building History, Strengthening Community campaign](#), please contact me for to learn more about the new space.

- Sarah Kaufman

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

In preparation for our annual heritage festival, we are looking for your treasures! If you have some old china, antiques, collectables or other gems collecting dust, why not donate them to the Museum for our **Treasures Sale**? Donations can be dropped off at the Museum during the **last two weeks of July**, or we can make other arrangements if needed.

This year we are also looking at putting together an **online silent auction** with some larger, more valuable pieces. If you have any antiques that you've wanted to move out of the house and you want to support the Museum, think about donating them to our online auction.

We are also looking for bakers to contribute to our bake sale. If you are interested in helping out with baking or you have a donation to the sale or online auction, email Amy at aklassen@nhsm.ca.



Special thanks to our Corporate Sponsor **NIAGARA HOLIDAY RENTALS**. Their sponsorship allows their guests to visit the

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MUSEUM HOURS

MAY TO OCTOBER: 10 AM TO 5 PM DAILY
NOVEMBER TO APRIL: 1 PM TO 5 PM DAILY

The Museum is closed: New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Thanksgiving, Closed December 18 - 31.



NHS Mission Statement

We are a team of staff & volunteers that passionately collects, preserves, researches, educates and promotes the history of Niagara-on-the-Lake and its communities. We inspire an appreciation of local history through engaging programs and exhibitions.

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