



What's Happening at the Westbank Museum



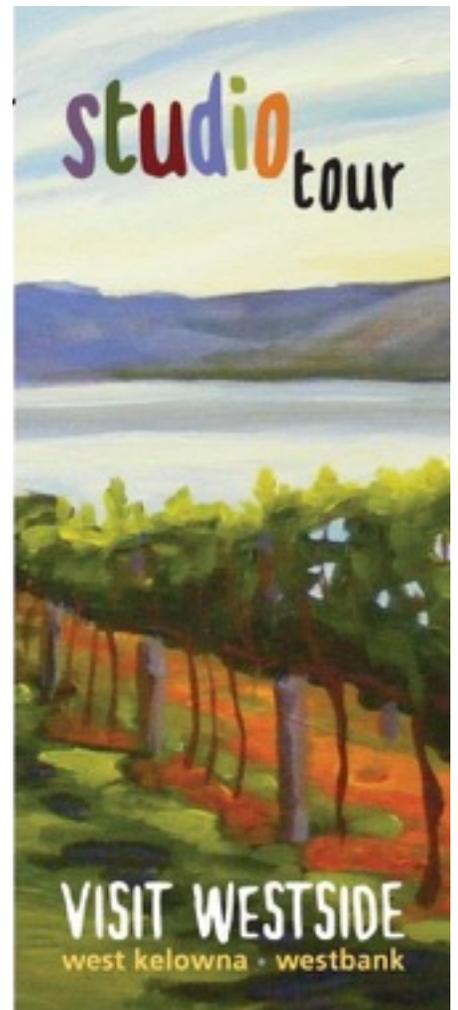
BeadTrails

The BeadTrails experience was created in Summerland in 2010 by Karen Griggs. The idea behind the initiative is to give each participating business a unique bead (indicative of their business) and only make it available for collection at their business. The goal is to link the region's wineries, boutiques,

restaurants, artist studios and points of interest to give people a unique tour-like approach in collecting the beads. Currently, there is a social media contest where people can receive a FREE bead for collecting any 7 signature beads. The promotion only runs until Sept. 18 so you better hurry!

Studio Tour + Culture Guide

There are an abundance of very talented artists in Okanagan area and especially in West Kelowna and Westbank. Visit Westside invites you to take a scenic drive and enjoy a self-guided tour of West Kelowna's premiere art studios and galleries. A comprehensive map can be found on visitwestside.com, or you can stop by the museum to grab a copy and be on your way. This guide is perfect for tourists but can serve culture-seeking locals just the same.



Store Feature - Engraved Wood Pens

These aren't just any engraved wooden pens, these pens are made from the trees of Westbank's very own, Gellatly Nut Farm. Gellatly Farm was settled by David and Eliza Gellatly in 1900. At the peak of the family farm, the operations included the largest greenhouse in the Okanagan, a box factory, a packinghouse and a wharf. Gellatly Point, as it was known, even had its own post office for 23 years. Pick up a pen on your next visit to the Westbank Museum!



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HAPPY HALLOWEEN PHOTOSHOOT FUNDRAISER

Date: Saturday, October 28, 2017

Time: 11 am - 4 pm

Cost: \$8 per person

Bring your family and friends and have your photo taken in costume! We will snap your photo and make it look old-fashioned. Bring your own Halloween costume or choose from our selection of pioneer themed outfits. All proceeds go towards running the Westbank Museum. Time slots are available in half hour increments from 11 am - 4pm. Call or e-mail ahead of time to book your spot - they fill up fast!

Phone: 250-768-0110

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Artefact of the Month

In 1902, American President Theodore Roosevelt went on a bear hunting trip in Mississippi. Some of his attendants cornered a black bear and tied it to a tree in a misguided attempt to help Roosevelt in his hunt. Roosevelt was disgusted by the idea and refused to shoot the animal. Thus a political cartoon was created depicting the situation.

Novelty toys were spawned from the cartoon, they were called "Teddy's Bear" Soft stuffed bears have since become the quintessential child's toy. See this well-loved bear and thousands of other artefacts at the Westbank Museum. You never know what fond memories you might rediscover.



Canada 150 Commemorative Pins

2017 marks Canada's 150th birthday! Swing by the museum to pick up your very own stylish Canada 150 pin to commemorate the occasion. The pins feature the Canada 150 logo, which is composed with 13 "celebratory gems". The four gems at the base of the maple leaf represent the four provinces that formed confederation in 1867 (ON, QC, NB, NS) and 9 more gems branch out, representing all of Canada's provinces and territories.