



Peel Heritage Complex

Museum

Archives

Art Gallery

**We're Hitting
the Road**

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Art enthusiasts, culture seekers and history buffs will still be able to get a taste of the Peel Heritage Complex while our facilities are under construction. Our collection of art, artefacts and documents will be available through presentations and travelling exhibitions. We'll bring the Peel Heritage Complex to you.

Whether you belong to a special interest group, part of a professional association or teach a class, our presentations allow your group to learn about the collections and offer a sneak-peak at our expansion plans!

Book a presentation today for your group to learn about the collection, local history and artists. Send an e-mail to phcprograms@peelregion.ca or call 905-791-7800 ext. 3626 to tell us about your group and which presentation you're interested in.

- Our presentations work best in a meeting room setting.
- All presentations are 1 hour.
- Minimum group size is 15.
- Cost is free (donations to the Peel Heritage Complex IMAGINE Capital Campaign are greatly appreciated).

On March 1, 2010, the Peel Heritage Complex will close its doors to let work start on our ambitious and much awaited renovation and expansion project. Our Museum, Archives and Art Gallery will reopen in fall 2011.

(l) Stoneware merchant's crock, circa 1880, Gift of H. I. Cooper

(r) Three detainees at the Brampton Jail, circa 1950, Gift of Russell K. Cooper



Collecting the Past and Present for the Future—Museum, Archives and Art Gallery

Explore the collections—art, artefacts and documents—of the Peel Heritage Complex. Learn about the early donations and histories of the art gallery and museum and how they operate today to help preserve and share heritage. The presentation also takes a look at our biggest artefacts — our buildings: the historic Peel County Courthouse (1867), the Peel County Jail (1867), the Registry Office (1890), and the International-Style Building (1959).

Family and Local History 101

This presentation provides a fascinating overview of the history of the Peel community. If you want to trace the history of your house and property, find out about digitization of resources (such as our glass plate negative collection), newspapers on microfilm and other resources, these presentations will help you get started. Find out how to use family history resources, and learn our top ten hints about using the Archives.

Memory Box

The treasures of the Peel Heritage Complex share something in common with your treasures at home...they tell important stories from the past. This presentation highlights the origins

of the Museum and Archives collection, starting with historian Perkins Bull. We're sharing the best of the collections, including popular themes such as clothing, toys, crocks and memorabilia. Staff will discuss our current storage practices, and how the expansion will provide increased and enhanced storage, enabling us to better collect, care and conserve for future generations. Learn how to keep art, artefacts and documents safe at home.

Exploring the Arts

The genesis of the Art Gallery collections was a donation of prints by Caroline and Frank Armington, local artists who worked and lived in Paris in the early 20th century. The presentation will provide the audience with a look at the historic local artists, the growth of the collection—local, national and international. Staff will also provide ideas and suggestions for collecting art on your own.



Caroline Armington
(Cdn. 1875–1939),
Country Path,
Dorchester, Dorset, 1928,
Etching on paper, Gift of
Caroline Smith Crawford and
the Peel Historical Society

Tombstone Tales

Cemeteries and tombstones tell interesting stories about settlement and growth patterns. Tombstone designs can also provide information about family history, wealth and attitudes towards death. Photographs, maps and other documents – including where to find walking tours — will be part of this presentation.

Special Events

Staff and volunteers of the Peel Heritage Complex will be available for community events during our closed period. Please contact us if you need a speaker or display for a special event.



Toy automobile,
circa 1910,
Gift of Ida Mathers



Visit www.peelheritagecomplex.org
for more information about our exciting expansion.

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Curtis Williamson, *Belfountain* (detail), 1938, Gift of Al Rain;

Horse pull toy, circa 1900, Gift of Caroline Hart;

Commercial coffee mill, circa 1875, Unknown donor;

Wedding gown, 1884, Gift of Harriet Parsons;

Golding family, Brampton, circa 1910, Gift of Doug & Barbara Golding