

Historical Society Protects the Past for the Future

The Parrsborough Shore in Cumberland county has a rich and vibrant history, shaped by geology, tides and people. One of the groups committed to understanding and interpreting this past is working hard to make it accessible to all.

The Parrsborough Shore Historical Society has been preserving, showcasing and celebrating the history and heritage of the Parrsborough Shore for over 40 years generating an enthusiasm for discovery and learning for locals and visitors. In the past year, the PSHS actively expanded its capabilities by completing the purchase of a small but historically important piece of land adjacent to the of the Ottawa House By-the-Sea Museum. The museum is owned and operated by the Society; open to the public in the summer, host to the Lady Tupper Tea, and with archival services year-round. The expansion will allow for future activities such as archaeological exploration, shoreline protection and preservation.

"This land was formerly almost surrounded by the two lots where our museum sits. It is a fantastic opportunity to increase the portion of heritage property we hold in trust for the residents of the Parrsborough Shore; to demonstrate how much we value our history and want to share it with everyone. The purchase of the land was only achieved by the generous support of Society members and local community," said Society chair, Harriet McCready.

Ottawa House By-the-Sea plans to open July 1st; delayed due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Canada Day

Shipwright Residency Deadline May 7

Ship's Company Theatre has announced a call for applications to the Masstown Market Shipwright Residency for the upcoming season of 2021. The Masstown Market Shipwright Residency is one small step Ship's Company Theatre is taking presently to take action against the suppression of BIPOC voices, including within our own make-up and history. This is a step in continuing to make way for the development of Atlantic Canadian artists and offer a platform for all Atlantic Canadian stories to be heard.

Applicants must be artists who: self-identify as part of the BIPOC communities; are creating work to be performed and currently reside in Mik'ma'ki/Wolastokuk/Atlantic Canada and/or are originally from Mik'ma'ki/Wolastokuk/Atlantic Canada.

What Ship's Company Theatre will provide: accommodations for four weeks in Awokun, Mi'kma'ki /Parrsboro, NS; support in travel to and from Awokun, Mi'kma'ki/Parrsboro, NS; a workshop with additional artists decided upon in consultation with the resident artist; dramaturgical support decided upon in consulta-

tion with the resident artist; opportunity for an artist talk and/or a public reading to showcase work and gain feedback; access to Ship's Company Theatre's office and venue; field trips to local trails and spots of interest and inspiration within the region and a \$2500 honorarium for the month.

What Ship's Company Theatre is looking for: Though not limited to this, we are particularly interested in projects that explore any of the following: regional geography: this fascination with land and sea is inevitable as our venue is literally on the edge of a bank where the largest tides of the world come in and out; cultural heritage: what stories, traditions and knowledge from the past speak to our present? And innovative avenues of expression: what new ways can we tell a story? What artistic disciplines could be utilized?

Deadline for submissions is May 7, 2021 by 4pm AST. Application submissions can be emailed to info@shipscompanytheatre.com. Or call 902-254-2003.

Duplicate Accounts Created in Error

Property Valuation Services admitted to Cumberland staff three duplicate accounts had been created in error, causing Alan Bonnyman to contact the municipal offer regarding three tax billings he received for Bonnyman and Byers Ltd.

The properties located in the county were sold a number of years ago.

Staff brought to the attention of Access Nova Scotia and Property Valuation Services Corporation, who upon investigation determined the ac-

counts were created in error and duplicates for other accounts in the system. Council approved a remittal in the amount of \$223.01 for the 2019 and 2020 tax levies and accumulated interest asking staff to remove the duplicate billings to Bonnyman and Byers Ltd.

celebrations will include: complimentary tea, coffee and birthday cake for all visitors, are also subject to public health guidelines. Due to COVID-19 restrictions all visitors are required to wear a mask and practice social distancing.

The Ottawa House By-The-Sea Museum illustrates mid-eighteenth-century architecture, economic and cultural development. It is believed to be the oldest building on the Parrsboro Shore and one of the oldest in the province of Nova Scotia.

For more information contact Susan at (902) 254-2376 or ottawa.house@ns.sympatico.ca

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