

# Toronto Historical Association

## Every Day In May

May 1

**Urban Culture and Heritage.** Urban Space Gallery 401 Richmond Street West. Councillor Joe Cressey Ward 20 Presenter with panel of experts. Free/Open to the Public.

May 2

**Author's Talk:** David Nitkin: Clergy and Convicts. 12 to 1 pm. Barbara Frum Library. Register at [416-395-5440](tel:416-395-5440).

Info at [www.nitkinliterary.com](http://www.nitkinliterary.com), [torontopubliclibrary.ca](http://torontopubliclibrary.ca)

May 3

**Swansea Historical Society.** 7:15 pm. Presentation by Anne Dublin on "44 Hours or Strike" concerning the 1931 International Ladies' Garment Workers Union work disruption across the city. Swansea Town Hall [95 Lavinia Avenue].

Email to [swanseahistoricalociety@gmail.com](mailto:swanseahistoricalociety@gmail.com)

May 4

**West Toronto Junction Historical Society** Annual General Meeting: Annette Street Library. Check West Toronto website or Library for details. Public welcome.

May 5

**Jane's Walks:** Various times and locations: Check out Jane's Walks website for details and the nearest activity near you.

Info at [janeswalk.org/canada/toronto](http://janeswalk.org/canada/toronto)

**Heritage York / Lambton House:** Pub Night with John Dorsey. Starts at 6 pm. Roast beef sandwiches at 6:30 and music at 8 pm. No cover.

**28<sup>th</sup> Canadian Military History Colloquium:** Wilfred Laurier University: "Vimy at 100". Keynote Speakers Tim Cook, Holger Herwig Gary Sheffield.

Info at [canadianmilitaryhistory.ca](http://canadianmilitaryhistory.ca)

May 6

**Scarborough Museum:** 12 to 5 p.m., check out what's happening at **Scarborough Museum** in honour of **Free Comic Book Day!** Not only will artists be on hand for family fun, but there is plenty of awesome space around the museum to read. Bring your comics and a blanket to sit on (or your cape!) and join in on this fun filled afternoon. All ages welcome! Admission is Pay What You Can.

**Jane's Walks:** Various times and locations. Check out the website for details and the nearest walk to you. Featured: The Walk of Discovery: the Malvern You Thought You Knew. Also: Skateboarding in Toronto's Financial District.

Info at [janeswalk.org/canada/toronto](http://janeswalk.org/canada/toronto)

**Function in the Junction:** 5 pm. At the Masonic Temple 151 Annette Street. \$45 per person. tickets at Annette Street Library or Latitude 44 Gallery.

Info at [www.junctionra.ca/function-junction-2017](http://www.junctionra.ca/function-junction-2017)

May 7

**Jane's Walks:** Various times and locations. Check out the Jane's Walks website for times and activities near you. Featured: Walking Conversation on Mental Health.

Info at [janeswalk.org/canada/toronto](http://janeswalk.org/canada/toronto)

**Toronto's 1<sup>st</sup> Post Office:** Post-a-Letter Day: write letters, journaling, creative writing, show and tell, Pop by the P.O. and join good company. 1 to 4 pm.

May 8

**Town of York Historical Society:** AGM at the Young People's Theatre, 165 Front Street East. 7 pm. Tour and presentation on the Theatre to follow. Register at 416-865-1833.

Info at [agmtownofyork.eventbrite.ca](http://agmtownofyork.eventbrite.ca)

May 9

**Author's Talk:** David Nitkin: Grocers and Gangsters. Noon to 1pm. Barbara Frum Library. Register at [416-395-5440](tel:416-395-5440).

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May 10

Presentation on the site: **Coronation Park: The Happy, Sad, Comic, Tragic, Embraced and Neglected Legacy of a Renowned Man Made Forest in the City.** Speaker and Tour Guide, Paul Federico, President, **Toronto Historical Association.** Meet at the Flagpole at 7pm. [Coronation Park is located in Toronto on the lakeshore south of the Exhibition Place Princes' Gates, at foot of Strachan Avenue near to HMCS York and the Martin Goodman Trail - east of Ontario Place.]

Email to [the3rdeastkent@hotmail.com](mailto:the3rdeastkent@hotmail.com) or phone [905-866-2835](tel:905-866-2835)

May 11

**Lambton House:** Heritage talk by Madeleine McDowell: Agnes Dunbar Moodie Fitzgibbon Chamberlin [1833-1913] Daughter of Canadian author Susanna Moodie and a woman of society at many levels. Refreshments. Donations accepted. 7:30 pm to 9 pm. At Lambton House.

May 12

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May 13

Saturday, May 13th, 2:00pm – Mike Smith presents “The Photos and Postcards of Reuben Sallows”. Little known outside of his Goderich studio in Huron County, Sallows became a master photographer of daily life in the early 20th century. Many of these views were used for postcards. Using the archive of original Sallows photograph scans at the Huron County Museum in Goderich, Mike Smith and Larry Mohring have been able to attribute many, many postcard views previously with an unknown origin. Location: 720 Bathurst St. (west side, south of Bloor just south of Lennox Street) Meeting Room #4 on the 3rd Floor.

Info at [torontopostcardclub.com/postcard-meetings/](http://torontopostcardclub.com/postcard-meetings/)

May 14

**Lambton House:** Mother’s Day: Aggie’s Wildflower Walk. Meet at Lambton House at 1:30 pm. Learn about local flora and the Heritage Garden at the site.

May 15

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May 16

**Author’s talk:** David Nitkin: Politicians and Pressmen. Lunchtime presentation at Barabara Frum Library Noon to 1 pm. Register at: 416-395-5440.

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May 17

**North York Historical Society:** presents Linda Poplak, Author of Drop Dead: a horrible history of hanging in Canada. From 1867 to the abolition of the death penalty in 1976, 704 people were hanged in Canada. Come out to hear tales of the rope. Fairview Library 7:30 pm. See NYHS website for more details.

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May 20

**TollKeeper’s Cottage Museum:** Come in for tour and visit. Open 11 am to 5 pm. Tour, gifts and good company. Learn about Toll roads in Toronto, long before John Tory got the idea.

Email to [tollkeeperscottage@gmail.com](mailto:tollkeeperscottage@gmail.com)

May 21

**Fort York: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.,** what better way to celebrate Victoria Day than to visit the birthplace of Toronto? Take tours, kids enjoy activities such as soldier's drill, see demonstrations of Georgian-era cooking techniques in one of the oldest kitchens in Toronto as well as English country dancing. Regular admission applies.

May 22

**Tollkeeper's Cottage Museum:** presenting a Victoria Day Tea at Davenport and Bathurst, between 11 am to 4:30 pm. Enjoy tea poured from a silver pot into a bone china cup, served on a lace cloth, with scones, whipped cream, and preserves for only \$7 per person! A tour of the museum is included. This event will happen outdoors on our lawn, if the weather cooperates.

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May 25

**Toronto's 1<sup>st</sup> Post Office:** Coptic Stitch Book Binding Workshop. With Carolyn Eady of Sprouts Press, learn how to put together a beautiful hand-crafted journal. Fascinating hands-on class. Materials supplied. Register with TFPO through their website.

**Etobicoke Historical Society:** On Thursday, May 25th 7:30 pm at Montgomery's Inn (4709 Dundas Street West) - The **Etobicoke Historical Society** presents author Bianca Lakoseljac speaking about her new novel, Stone Woman—set in Toronto's High Park with scenes in Yorkville and Parkdale. Stone Woman is a story of Blossom's unconventional family of five women, whose lives are bound by a Vietnam War draft dodger, David, immersed in the hippie subculture of Toronto. During the 1967 Art Symposium in High Park, a large block of marble which was to be used for one of the sculptures disappears from its site, and the mystery of the stolen piece becomes the focus of speculation in the Toronto arts community. The novel ends in 2017, with a fictional portrayal of a Sesquicentennial celebration in Toronto.

Info at [www.etobicokehistorical.com/events.html](http://www.etobicokehistorical.com/events.html)

May 26

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May 27

**Doors Open Toronto:** 15 Decades of Canadian Architecture. Visit over a hundred special places across the city. Lectures and presentations and special features in celebration of Canada 150. For list of places, walking tours and talks go to [www.toronto.ca/doorsopen](http://www.toronto.ca/doorsopen)

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**North York Historical Society presents an** illustrated talk “Family Ties: Ontario Turns 150” at 7:30 p.m. which will focus on stories of four family groups in Ontario at the time of Confederation and how their lives intersected with larger historical forces in the area. The presentation will be delivered by Dr. Jay Young, outreach officer at the Archives of Ontario, and curator of the Archives Family Ties exhibit. Northern District Library, 40 Orchard View Boulevard, [ Yonge and Eglinton ] Free admission / refreshments prior to presentation.