









April 18, 2016

## Okanagan Regional Heritage Fair

Date: Thursday, April 28, 2016
Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Location: The Laurel Packinghouse

1304 Ellis Street Kelowna, BC

On April 28, 2016 approximately 60 students from the Okanagan School Districts will be participating in the 2016 Okanagan Regional Heritage Fair at the Laurel Packinghouse. These grades 4-10 students will be presenting their heritage projects to interviewers, their peers, and the public, as well as partaking in a number of workshops related to local history.

Heritage projects range from investigations of students' personal family heritage to researching and exploring an aspect of Canadian history. The Heritage Fair program is an initiative of the BC Heritage Society which partners with museums and schools across the province to make the program happen. The purpose of Heritage Fairs is to "bring people together to make history come alive"; it is the passing on of the torch, entrusting the next generation with the stories that make up our collective heritage.

Five students participating in the Regional Heritage Fair will be selected to attend the Provincial Fair in Prince Rupert where they will have the opportunity to join students from around the province to showcase their projects to the public and participate in heritage field trips and activities.

Students and organizers invite the community to come and view the showcase from 3:00 to 4:00 pm at the Laurel Packinghouse and share in this exploration of heritage.

For more information about BC Heritage Fairs visit <a href="http://www.bcheritagefairs.ca/">http://www.bcheritagefairs.ca/</a> or contact Ms. Jen Garner, the Okanagan Regional Heritage Fair Coordinator, at <a href="mailto:jgarner@kelownamuseums.ca">jgarner@kelownamuseums.ca</a>.