



SPRING 2024

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Dear Friends of the Sam Waller Museum,

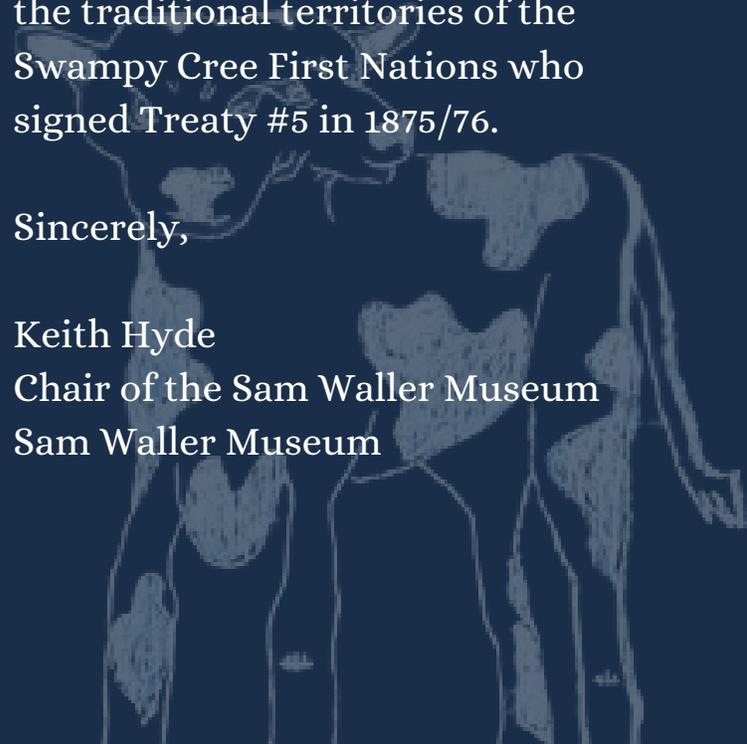
The word “museum” comes from a Latin word meaning “a place devoted to the Muses”, those ancient inspirers of arts and sciences. As the new chairperson for the Sam Waller Museum board, I hope that you, too, will find fresh inspiration and insight in the coming year! After growing up in The Pas, I left to study in Winnipeg, BC, and Scotland. Having taught in the Faculty of Arts, Business and Science at UCN since 2009, I joined the board in 2020. I especially love Sam’s eclectic range of materials from around the globe, from moustache cups to bird skins to the two-headed calf.

We are excited to welcome our new curator, Ms. Kristen Fader, who joined our recently hired director, Mr. Jaxon Baker. Please stop by and say hello!

We are searching for dedicated board trustees to join our team for making our Museum a relevant stopping ground for both visitors and long-term residents seeking historical, cultural, and scientific knowledge of The Pas and the tri-community region. If you haven’t visited in a while, please come im-muse yourself at the Sam Waller Museum, located on the traditional territories of the Swampy Cree First Nations who signed Treaty #5 in 1875/76.

Sincerely,

Keith Hyde
Chair of the Sam Waller Museum
Sam Waller Museum



LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR



Dear Friends of the Sam Waller Museum,

I wanted to take this opportunity to extend a greeting to you all as the new Museum Director. I have been in the position for six months now and it's been a fun ride thus far. I had the pleasure of working with the previous Curator, Enya Barbeau, for the first few months of my tenure and was able to learn from her expertise. She has ended up moving on to Parks Canada in Ottawa and we wish her all the best.

It took me those first few months to get settled in, but now I think we are firing on all cylinders and the museum is running smoothly. We've developed exciting plans for 2024 and beyond and I am excited to share them all with you at the appropriate time. Kristen Fader has been hired as the new Curator as of March 11 and I look forward to working with her and her expertise.

As I said in my first interview on CJAR, my goal is to bring the museum to the community and with the projects we have planned, we will be able to do so. We are looking at running more programs, the possibility of putting historic displays around the town, developing a display dedicated to Truth and Reconciliation and much more. I look forward to serving the community of The Pas in the coming years in this important role as the Museum Director.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jaxon Baker".

Jaxon Baker
Director
The Sam Waller Museum



LETTER FROM THE CURATOR

Dear Friends of the Sam Waller Museum,

Welcome to our museum's newsletter! I'm thrilled to have this opportunity to connect with you. As the curator and archivist of the Sam Waller Museum, I have the privilege of delving into the rich history and heritage of our community. Every artefact, every photograph, and every document tells a unique story, weaving together the tapestry of our past.

Our museum is not just a repository of objects; it's a place where the past comes alive, where visitors can explore, learn, and be inspired by the stories of those who came before us. There truly is something here for everyone to discover and enjoy. I invite you to join us on this journey of exploration and discovery. Whether you're a longtime supporter of the museum or a newcomer eager to learn

about our community's history, there's always something new to experience and appreciate.

Thank you for being a part of the Sam Waller Museum community. Moving from Nova Scotia to Northern Manitoba seemed so daunting a few months ago, but I have seen nothing but open arms and many family photo albums since arriving. This makes me excited to celebrate and preserve our heritage for generations to come with you all!

Sincerely,

Kristen Fader
Curator & Archivist
The Sam Waller Museum

THE YEAR SO FAR

Easter Egg Hunt

During the month of March, we also ran a very successful Easter egg hunt at the museum where a number of kids had the opportunity to win prizes by finding the correct number of eggs at the museum. We are looking at running more scavenger hunt events at the museum in the future, so as always, stay tuned to our Facebook and Website for the latest.



ART WORKSHOP

TIGER LILIES: EXPERIMENTING WITH HUE AND COMPOSITION

PAINT WITH MARLEY MOOSE



SATURDAY, APRIL 6TH
1:30PM -
3:30PM
10\$ REGISTRATION FEE

SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH
1:30PM -
3:30PM
10\$ REGISTRATION FEE

📍 Sam Waller Museum
306 Fischer Avenue

Come along and learn techniques on how to experiment with hue and composition by painting tiger lilies with local artist Marley Moose.

Limited space available. To register call (204) 623-3802, email samwallermuseum@mymts.net, or come into the museum. *Payment due at registration.*



Alana MacDougall



The Pas

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ADAPTATIONS

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Upcoming Exhibits

Starting in June and running all the way until the end of September, The Sam Waller Museum will be hosting an art exhibit by renowned local artist James Dean. To round out the year, we will be hosting another exhibit by renowned local artist Frances Cooper which will run until December 28. For more information, stay tuned to our Facebook page for the latest details.

HOME ROUTES

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The Sam Waller Museum is delighted to announce the return of the beloved Home Routes concert series to The Pas, starting May 14 with Naomi Shore. As proud hosts once more, we eagerly anticipate the revival of this cherished partnership and the array of captivating concerts it will bring. Join us as we embark on this musical journey once again!

Upcoming Programs

This coming year marks an exciting chapter as Kristen and I continue to settle in at the museum. With our sights set on expanding the Museum's offerings, we've applied for grants to fuel our vision, and we're eager to share some thrilling updates in the months ahead.

Our plans are ambitious, spanning various fronts:

- harnessing the museum's VR capabilities
- hosting more paint workshops
- fostering connections with local artists
- forging partnerships with other community groups to enrich our programming year-round.

Moreover, we're committed to bolstering our online presence, with a focus on generating engaging social media content, exclusive behind-the-scenes access, captivating video blogs, and enriching educational videos to elevate the museum's profile. Additionally, we're dedicated to enhancing our tours and educational materials, with a keen eye on delivering immersive experiences for both teachers and students. Kristen and I are driven by a shared ambition to achieve great things this year, and we can't wait to unveil the exciting offerings that lie ahead. We invite you to join us on this journey of exploration and discovery at the museum!

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The Redesign of the Museum's Interior

Our goal for this year is to have plans drawn up for the eventual redesign of the museum's interior. This project has been a long time in the making and follows the survey that was conducted in 2015. COVID-19 delayed the advancement of these plans but in 2022 Sharain Jones, the previous director of the Sam Waller Museum, applied for and received a grant that will fund the acquisition of new plans for the interior of the museum. We are looking to find ways to maximize the space we have and better reflect the interests of the community we serve. The plan is also to have an exhibit space dedicated to Truth and Reconciliation and to create a space for an accessible gift shop. These are still a few years away but once we have the plans, then the process will move along rather quickly.



2026 and Beyond

As part of the 2015 survey of the museum, there were also proposals for extensions and additions to the museum that we could think about undertaking; a cafe installed on the roof and a large-scale outdoor exhibit space among others. Although we have no plans for those additions as of now, we want to be able to put the museum in a position where we can at least consider how to continue to grow and expand the museum to fit the needs of our community.

THE COLLECTION ROOM SERIES: NEW ADDITIONS



*1920s Little Girl from
The Pas MB, 2023*
JD Hawk
Oil on canvas



*1920s Little Boy from
The Pas MB, 2023*
JD Hawk
Oil on canvas

We are excited to share that renowned Métis artist, JD Hawk, has donated two oil paintings titled *1920s Little Girl from The Pas MB* and *1920s Little Boy from The Pas MB* to the Sam Waller Museum.

JD Hawk was born and raised in Winnipeg, specializing in oil paintings. His artwork reflects his love of the outdoors, people and connection to his Métis heritage. He has been commissioned nationally and internationally, completing artworks with Parks Canada, Canada Games 2022, Festival du Voyageur, The Royal Canadian Mint, The Manitoba Métis Federation, and The Canadian Museum of History.

The little girl is Hawk's grandmother. Eugenie, "Jenny", Albertine Paquette (nee: Pilote, b. 1912 d. 2008, pictured top left) grew up in The Pas. Although she was born in Saskatchewan, she was raised in The Pas, Manitoba. Jenny was two years old when her mother passed away giving birth to Jenny's brother, Joseph "Donat" Pilote (b. 1914 d. 1944, pictured bottom left). Joseph passed during active service in World War II and is buried in France, while Jenny passed away in Winnipeg and is buried in The Pas.

The Sam Waller Museum is committed to its role in preserving the history of The Pas and Northern Manitoba and is excited to showcase these paintings, along with others from the collection, later this year.

TEMPORARY EXHIBITS 2023



New at the Sam Waller Museum
A Travelling Exhibition by the Manitoba Arts Network



ART EXHIBITION

LINO 101

MARCH 24 - APRIL 14, 2023
ROTARY ROOM
SAM WALLER MUSEUM
OPEN DAILY 1-5 PM



Featuring works created in our 2022-2023 printmaking workshop series



Frances McGregor, Chantrelles, linocut reduction print, 2023

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SAMWALLERMUSEUM.CA SAMWALLERMUSEUM@MTS.NET

FOREST ROYALTY

by **KATHLEEN SHELLRUDE**



On display at the Sam Waller Museum
December 12, 2022 - January 27, 2023
Museum open daily from 1 - 5 PM
Standard admission rates apply

306 Fischer Ave. The Pas, Manitoba (204) 623-3802 samwallermuseum.ca samwallermuseum@mts.net



On display at the Sam Waller Museum
February 2 - March 30, 2023
Museum open daily from 1 - 5 PM
Standard admission rates apply



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AKIKTONZ'A S'NI | JESSIE JANNUSKA



Using beading, basket weaving, dreamcatcher technique, hide, and sinew to understand the intergenerational effects of the Residential Schools.

DEC. 2, 2023 - FEB. 28, 2024

SAM WALLER MUSEUM

Open daily from 1 - 5 pm

Standard admission rates apply



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Mind and Heart

VICTORIA PRINCE



APRIL 11 - MAY 26, 2023

SAM WALLER MUSEUM

Open daily from 1-5 pm

Standard admission rates apply



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OCT. 5 - NOV. 26, 2023

SAM WALLER MUSEUM

Open daily from 1 - 5 pm

Standard admission rates apply



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SUSAN'S ISLAND STUDIO



THE ART OF SUSAN HARPER

JUNE 5 - SEPT. 22, 2023

SAM WALLER MUSEUM
306 FISCHER AVENUE
OPEN DAILY 1-5 PM
REGULAR ADMISSION

TEMPORARY EXHIBITS 2023

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THE COLLECTION ROOM SERIES: SOMETHING TO PRESERVE

At the Sam Waller Museum, our vast collection is a treasure trove that extends beyond art to encompass a rich array of natural history specimens, comprising hundreds, if not thousands, of items. From meticulously preserved insects to botanical wonders, each specimen tells a unique story of the natural world.

Among the remarkable highlights of our natural history collection is a captivating and majestic Short-eared Owl, delicately mounted on a branch. This particular specimen carries with it a poignant narrative—a story of both tragedy and conservation. It was generously donated by an individual who, despite the unfortunate circumstance of colliding with the owl while driving, recognized the significance of preserving such a magnificent creature. Notably classified as a threatened species in Manitoba, the Short-eared Owl serves as a poignant symbol of the delicate balance between human activity and wildlife preservation.

Through the generosity of donors like the one who contributed this remarkable specimen, we are able to continue our mission of education, conservation, and appreciation of the biodiversity that surrounds us.



Phylum: Chordata
Class: Aves
Order: Strigiformes
Family: Strigidae
Genus: *Asio*
Species: *A. flammeus*

PROGRAMS 2023



Paint Afternoon
WITH M. MOOSE

Sam Waller Museum
306 Fischer Ave.
Saturday, Dec. 9, 2023
2 - 4 PM

For ages 11+
\$5 registration fee
Limited space available!

To register, contact:
204-623-3802
samwallermuseummts.net
Payment due at registration

DETAILS Join us for a facilitated paint afternoon! M. Moose will guide participants in the creation of a watercolour painting.



Wacky Wednesday Craft Time presents:
Finger Painting Nature!

Join us at the Sam Waller Museum on July 26th from
10:00 - 11:30am.

For ages 5+, \$5 deposit required, limited spots available.

SAM WALLER mUSEum

Sign up by calling 204-623-3802, emailing samwallermuseum@gmail.com, or by dropping by 306 Fischer Ave.

FULL

BEADED ORNAMENT WORKSHOP
FACILITATED BY CHERYL ANTONIO

Dec. 17, 1:30 - 3:30 PM
Sam Waller Museum
\$5 registration fee

Space is limited! To register, contact:
samwallermuseum@mts.net | (204) 623-3802

FRIENDS OF SAM WALLER MUSEUM RAFFLE

All proceeds go towards the museum endowment fund.
Give the gift of permanence.

DRAW DATE
JAN. 6 2024

WIN A BEHIND-THE-SCENES MUSEUM TOUR!
Ticket sales Nov. 24 - Dec. 22
\$20/ticket
Cash or cheque
Available at the Sam Waller Museum, open daily 11:5 PM

More info on Friends of the Sam Waller Museum
www.samwallermuseum.ca/friends

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PAINT AFTERNOON WITH M. MOOSE



Sam Waller Museum
Friday, August 4, 2023
2 - 4 PM

For ages 11+
Max. 12 participants
\$5 registration fee

To register, contact:
204-623-3802
samwallermuseummts.net

CULTURE DAYS

SAM WALLER MUSEUM ADULT PAINT NIGHT FEATURING:
ARTIST MURRAY SIPLE
(SALT SPRING, BC)



WHEN: TUESDAY, SEPT 26TH
TIME: 7 - 9 PM
WHERE: SAM WALLER MUSEUM
306 Fischer Avenue, The Pas, MB (corner at 3rd Street)

REGISTER BY EMAILING OR CALLING THE MUSEUM BY SEPT 22:
204-623-3802 | SAMWALLERMUSEUM@GMAIL.COM

SPACE IS LIMITED | WINE PROVIDED
TICKETS: FREE

18+

Wacky Wednesday Craft Time

ROCK OUT!

AUGUST 2
10:00 - 11:30AM
Sam Waller Museum,
306 Fisher Avenue

Come paint rocks and have a rocking day!
Ages 5+. \$5 deposit required. Limited spots available!

To register phone (204) 623-3802,
email samwallermuseum@gmail.com,
or stop by the museum.

GRANTS AND PROJECTS UNDERWAY AT THE MUSEUM

Awarded \$2923 from the Community Museums Grant Program. This is an operating grant that we apply to year on year from the Government of Manitoba.

Awarded \$15,000 from Young Canada Works Building Careers in Heritage Internship Program for the purposes of hiring a full-time employee under a 9-month contract.

Awarded \$10,000 from the Community Museums Project Support Program for the purpose of improving programming at the museum, which can be used for the purchases of new equipment, new materials and to help support our potential intern.

Awarded \$8700 from Young Canada Works in Heritage Organizations for the purposes of hiring summer students at the museum.

Awarded \$25,000 from ACSC Small Capital Grants and Special Initiatives Project towards the acquisition of architectural plans for the redesign of the Sam Waller Museum.



THANKS TO OUR SUPPORTERS

It is our great honour and privilege to act as the stewards of the history of our community and we would like to thank all of those individuals and organizations who make it possible for the Sam Waller Museum to continue its yearly operations. We would like to thank all of the following for their generous support:

Town of The Pas

R.M. of Kelsey

Government of Manitoba

Government of Canada

Young Canada Works

Manitoba Green Team

All of our members

The Friends of Sam Waller Museum

Manitoba Arts Council

Manitoba Arts Network

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BECOME A MEMBER

Your interest and involvement are just as important as your financial support. Please join us in documenting, preserving, and interpreting the stories of our community. We have a history worth celebrating!

In addition to free admission to the museum, your membership entitles you to museum newsletters, invitation to opening receptions, reduced rates for workshops and special events, and a 10% discount at our Gift Shop.

Become a Sam Waller Museum VIP today!

Membership Tiers:
Student/Senior – \$15
Individual – \$20
Family – \$40
Supporting – \$90
Patron – \$140
Lifetime – \$1500

