



Friday, May 4 | 7:30 - 9 pm

### Traditional Jam Session

Looking for an informal musical event? Come to The Rooms for a 'traditional jam session'. We welcome everyone who loves making music or listening to it, regardless of age, talent or training. Bring along your instrument to join in for some fun, or sit back and listen to some great traditional tunes.

**Included with the price of admission. Free to Rooms Members and musicians who perform.**

*Please Note: This is not an instructional program. If you have questions about the type of instrument you will be bringing in, please contact Angela Noseworthy at 757-8114.*

Friday, May 11 | 8 pm  
**An Intimate Evening with Matthew Byrne**

Born into a family of Newfoundland music makers, Matthew's repertoire is heavily influenced by his unique musical lineage – the weaving of a great story with a beautiful melody. He supports this tradition with powerful vocals, polished guitar work and a presence that fills the room.

**\$40 per person (10% discount for Rooms Members) Cash Bar**



Sunday, May 13 | 2 pm

### Inspired B'y Mom: Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

Treat your Mom to a hand-served Mother's Day Afternoon Tea at The Rooms. Enjoy scrumptious treats with the harbour view and listen to the beautiful guitar music of Boyd Chubbs. Afterward, visit the galleries to make some new memories with Mom.

**\$25 per person (10 % discount for Rooms Members)**

*Seating to take place at 2 pm. Vegetarian options available with advance notification.*



Friday, May 18 | 7:30 - 9 pm

### Traditional Jam Session with Ronnie Power

Join Ronnie Power in the next Rooms Friday Night Traditional Jam Session. Ronnie was a founding member of The Irish Descendants and The Cobblestones. Bring along your instrument to join in for some fun, or sit back and listen to some great traditional tunes.

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Wednesday, May 30 | 7 - 9 pm  
**Learn to Play 120s**



Have you always wanted to learn how to play 120s but have never had the chance? Join our enthusiastic volunteer instructors as they share their love of this iconic card game.

**Included with the price of admission. Free to Rooms Members**

*Spaces are limited and pre-registration is recommended. To register, please contact Visitor Services at 757- 8090. \**

# The Rooms PROGRAMS

## ENGAGING EVENINGS



Wednesday, May 2 | 7 pm

### Riding the Rails

Ride the rails with Kenneth Pieroway on a photographic journey from Port aux Basques to St. John's. Taken from 1952 to 1988, you can see the last days of steam;

ride the 'Caribou', watch lengthy freights and little mixed trains, as well as the final run. The scenes, taken by some of North America's top railway photographers, capture the uniqueness of our narrow gauge line and the breathtaking beauty of this wonderful island.

**Regular Admission fees apply to this program**



B 20-113, Whitbourne, Newfoundland Railway Center, ca. 1900

Wednesday, May 9 | 7 pm

### Wordsworth's Nephew in Labrador 1853-1867

In 1853, George Hutchinson left England to become an Anglican minister at Battle Harbour, Labrador. He was stationed there for 14 years and came to love the place and people so much, it took his fiancée, Selina Hayward, four years to convince him to leave "his people". Marie Wadden has pieced together remarkable detail about Hutchinson's childhood and education, from the diaries, letters and poems of his aunts Dorothy Wordsworth and Mary and Sara Hutchinson. \*



IGA 7-10 Fishing premises in Battle Harbour

Wednesday, May 16 | 7 pm

### Dave Penny: Stops!

Join Dave Penny for an evening of Newfoundland comic songs. With his engaging stage personality and a style that is entirely his own, he has been a key figure in the resurgence in popularity of this genre. \*



Wednesday, May 23 | 7 pm

### Full of Sound and Fury: Tales of 19<sup>th</sup>-century Newfoundland

Join Dr. Peter Coffman, Professor of Architectural History from Carleton University and author of *Newfoundland Gothic* (2008), as he presents his research into Anglican churches as they relate to Anglican-Inuit relations in nineteenth century Labrador. \*

Wednesday, May 30 | 7 pm

### Tales From Afar: Transformation and Talking Tigers!

Dale Jarvis chats with storytellers Zoe Wu (Taiwan), Tanyan Ye (China) and Jae Hong Jin (Korea), about dangerous dried persimmons, fiendish tiger grandmothers and mysterious snail maidens. *Tales From Afar: Old Stories from New Residents*, is a collection of world folktales, myths, and legends, collected by the Heritage Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador in partnership with the St. John's Local Immigration Partnership. \*

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## COFFEE & CULTURE



Included with the price of admission. Free to Rooms Members. Enjoy a free coffee/tea.

Thursday, May 3 | 2:30 pm

### The Passion of Gerry Squires

Gerald Squires is well known for his many contributions to religious art. In this lecture, Dr. Sean McGrath will examine several recurring motifs of Squire's religious works, taking as his point of reference the image of crucifixion and resurrection, from Squire's early St. Francis of Assisi series to his final work, The Legend of Job. McGrath will show that for Squires, the image of the crucified was not primarily a religious or theological image but an aesthetic expression for the human condition.

Thursday, May 10 | 2:30 pm

### All that is Royal

Join us for coffee as we celebrate all that is royal: the Queen's birthday, royal visits to our province, and the upcoming royal wedding. Bring along your favourite royal memorabilia and special memories as we share these stories together.

Thursday, May 17 | 2:30 pm

### Celebrating Communities: Port Union

Every community has a story. Just over 100 years old, Port Union, located on the rugged shores of Trinity Bay is rich in history. It is the only *union-built* town in North America, and its early years were a hive of activity and enterprise. In this presentation, Donald Blackmore, retired educator, will take you on a pictorial visit of his childhood home to share the story of a community and its unique contribution to the history of the province.



Thursday, May 24 | 2:30 pm

### Man and Dog Across the Newfoundland Wilderness

Last April, Justin Barbour and his dog, Saku, crossed Newfoundland on a 700 km expedition through ungroomed wilderness by snowshoe, boot and paddle. Inspired by the challenge, the history of our island's explorers, the love of nature, and thirst for adventure, Justin will tell us stories from his journey.



Thursday, May 31 | 2:30 pm

### Sailor on the Hill

Dionisiv Esteves, one of the Portuguese fishermen on the White Flee fishing vessel, *Santa Maria Manuela*, died during the 1966 fishing campaign while unloading his daily catch of codfish. He was buried in St. John's in an unmarked grave which was discovered in 2012. The grave has come to symbolize all those Portuguese fishermen who lost their lives fishing on the Grand Banks of Newfoundland and Labrador. In this short documentary Lacy O'Connell (Director) and Andrew Winter (Producer) look at some of the people who found the grave and created a memorial in his honour.



## PUBLIC OPENINGS



Free to attend, all are welcome

Saturday, May 5 | 7:30 pm

### Arts and Letters Awards Public Opening Reception



Friday, May 25 | 7:30

### Art Gallery Public Opening Reception

FUTURE POSSIBLE: ART OF  
NEWFOUNDLAND AND  
LABRADOR TO 1949



A.J. Jackson, *A Lake in Labrador*, 1930.  
© Carleton University Art Gallery, Ottawa  
The Rooms Provincial Art Gallery - Memorial  
University of Newfoundland Collection, Gift  
of Celanese Canada

MERYL MCMASTER  
CONFLUENCE

Produced by Carleton University  
Art Gallery, Ottawa

## FAMILY PROGRAMS



Sunday, May 13 | 1 - 4 pm

### Mother's Day Family Fun Flowers

Celebrate Mother's Day by creating beautiful paper roses for Mom. Come on your own or bring the whole family. No experience necessary and all materials are provided. A great way to spend Mother's Day! \*

Saturday and Sunday | during opening hours

### Family Fun Weekends

Explore our new drop-in activity space. Here you'll find scavenger hunts, games and hands-on activities to do as a family that will enrich your visit to The Rooms Archives, Art Gallery and Museum. \*

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### Nature Nook

Do you have questions about our natural environment? Do you want to get hands-on with some real specimens? Visit our Nature NL volunteers to feel pelts, bones and feathers and ask your questions about our province's wild plants, animals and spaces. \*

\* Included with the price of admission.