



FÊTES RÉGIONALES  
DU PATRIMOINE À **OTTAWA** REGIONAL  
HERITAGE FAIR

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Dear Teachers,

We would like to invite you and your students to participate in the Ottawa Regional Heritage Fair program, which is taking **place on Wednesday, April 24, 2019, at the Canadian Museum of History**. The goal of this national, bilingual program is to offer students the opportunity to explore the many aspects of Canadian history/heritage in a dynamic learning environment, and to present the results of their efforts in a public exhibition.

During the day of the Fair, students will:

- Have their projects judged in an interview by 2 judges;
- Vote for their favorite project to be considered for the Peer's Choice Award;
- Share their projects with Museum visitors;
- Participate in Museum-led workshops;
- Visit the Museum (at no cost to the students) and
- Have the opportunity to win awards.

Our website gives you a glimpse of past Fairs and student projects, and provides all the relevant information. You will also find a very useful PowerPoint presentation on the preparation of Fair projects. Please visit the website under School information: [www.ottawaheritagefair.org](http://www.ottawaheritagefair.org).

Here is a brief overview regarding student projects:

Your students have a choice of preparing:

- an individual project,
- a small group project (maximum of 2 students/ project)

Projects can be in French, in English or bilingual.

Project formats include:

- Static display (posters, charts, models)
- Multimedia (combined format)
- Performance (play, skit, role-playing, song)

Our goal is to celebrate student creativity and knowledge of Canadian history and heritage. Judges will be focusing on the student's use of the Inquiry Process. Also, special attention will be given to the use of primary and secondary sources, and that a wider range of resources should be used. For guidance, please refer to the rubric which can be found on our website.

Students can win a variety of awards offered by our many partners. Visit our website for a complete list of available awards. The Ottawa Fair will also be selecting delegates to the Ontario Provincial Fair in 2019 following the day of the Fair.

The Fair will host 150 projects. To assist with the selection of students and projects to attend the 2019 Fair, we strongly encourage educators to host fairs in their schools and/or classrooms around Ontario Heritage Week, which is February 18 to 24, 2019 or in advance of our registration deadline. Owing to the increased interest in the Fair, the Ottawa Committee may need to cap the number of projects per school. We want to encourage school representation from across the Ottawa region.

**The deadline to register for the 2019 Fair is Friday, April 5, 2019.**

On behalf of the Ontario Heritage Fairs Association and the Ottawa Regional Heritage Fair Committee, I wish you a very successful school year....and we hope to see you and your students at the 2019 Fair!

Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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