



PROCLAMATION

To designate May 1 to 31, 2024
as
May is Museum Month

Whereas Simcoe County Museum, founded in 1930 by the Simcoe County Women's Institute, has evolved into one of Ontario's leading municipal museums, featuring 30,000 artifacts, five galleries, a 327-acre property, 16 heritage and display buildings and world-class school, group, camp and event programs; and

Whereas the 700+ museums, art galleries, and heritage sites across Ontario are key assets to education, employment, economic development, tourism, culture, and equity; and

Whereas museums support the ability of Ontario municipalities to attract skilled workers in all sectors, including a workforce of museum professionals and volunteers; and

Whereas this month provides an opportunity to recognize the vital role museums play in helping to achieve recovery and rebuilding across Ontario. Museums are local tourism assets, which welcome visitors in every community across the province; and

Whereas these museums are community hubs, providing access to the benefits of culture, heritage, and local vitality. As trusted public institutions, museums are valuable resources for education and learning; and

Whereas May 18, 2024 is International Museum Day to highlight museums as key contributors to the wellbeing and to the sustainable development of our communities, making them vibrant and vital places to live, work, visit and invest.

Therefore I, Warden Basil Clarke on behalf of Simcoe County Council, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2024, as "May is Museum Month" in our community, and encourage all residents and tourists to visit Simcoe County Museum in May.

Dated at the County of Simcoe, Midhurst on this 24th day of April, 2024.

Basil Clarke, Warden
County of Simcoe