




# MURNEY NEWS


# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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Hello everyone,

Isn't it crazy to think that the season is almost over and we are getting ready for our fall season on September 2nd? We had a very memorable month filled with guided tours, community events, arts and crafts, and history. August began with the 2024 edition of Murney Fest, which welcomed over 250 people. Fort Henry, Modern Fuel Artist-Run Centre, Museum of Health Care, Queen's Swing Dance Club, and the Tett Centre joined us onsite to celebrate our 99th anniversary and offer an unforgettable day to all participants! Later on a beautiful summer night of August 22nd, Downtown Kingston and Kingston Museum Association partnered to bring local museums to Market Square for a special "Museum in the Square" event. We had a booth at the square between 6-7:30 PM where we offered a special arts and craft activity. Lastly, on August 24th, we participated in Kingston-wide Doors Open and welcomed over 250 people to Murney Tower. Taken together, our August events engaged over 600 people with the unique history of Murney Tower and the broader history of Kingston. As we gear up for our closing season, we have one more event to look forward to! On **September 7th**, we are opening our doors for a magical musical performance by Toronto-based singer and songwriter Julie Arsenault who will perform on our gun platform. Read on to learn more about this special event, which promises a blend of music, history, and community spirit.







## MURNEY FEST 2024

On August 3rd, we organized the 2024 edition of Murney Fest to celebrate our 99th birthday with our community! We hosted 12 community booths and local vendors at Macdonal Park to offer a day filled with fun, dance, history and arts. The day began with a yoga session with Studio 330 and continued with swing dance lessons, face painting, and arts and crafts activities. Fort Henry guards, the Museum of Health Care and the Tett Centre Staff joined us onsite to engage visitors with the rich cultural heritage of Kingston. The day ended with a special acrylic painting session in the park, which had participants paint Murney Tower. We would like to thank everyone for participating in our event and making it a huge success!

## MURNEY IN THE SQUARE

On August 22nd, local museums gathered at Market Square and set up their booths. Hundreds of children gathered for a screening of Night At The Museum, but before their film, they were given a quest. Each equipped with a passport, they were tasked to travel from museum to museum in search of five stamps. Only when every stamp was acquired in their passports could a chance at the prize be secured. At the Murney Tower booth, in order to claim your much-needed stamp, you had to design your very own medal. In these photos, you can see our aspiring medalists at work. Colouring, snipping, and gluing their masterpieces into being. Our booth proved to be incredibly popular, and we were often overrun with guests as you can see!



## INTIMATE SHOW WITH JULIE ARSENAULT

Don't miss out on Canada's best-kept secret, Toronto-based singer and songwriter Julie Arsenault, who on Saturday, September 7th will be performing at Murney Tower! The evening will begin with early admissions, allowing guests to explore the museum and local brews from Daft Brewing. Following this, Julie Arsenault will deliver an intimate 45-minute performance on the museum's gun platform, creating a unique and memorable experience for all attendees. After the performance, participants can participate in a silent auction and enjoy light refreshments. All ticket sales and funds raised during the event will support the museum's Centennial celebration in 2025. Book your tickets [here](#) to join us on **Saturday, 7th!**



# Julie Arsenault

AN INTIMATE SHOW  
**AT MURNEY  
TOWER MUSEUM**

**7**  
**SEPTEMBER**

⌚ 6:00-9:00 PM  
📍 MURNEY TOWER

Doors open at 6 PM  
Performance at 7 PM

