

Fun Times In Fredericton!

As school breaks out for summer, there's no need to worry about activities for the youngsters – the city of Fredericton has enough going on to keep the whole family amused! New Brunswick's capital is a vibrant, bustling city that comes alive in the summer with heritage, culture and sheer old-fashioned fun!



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With a little planning you can discover events to entertain, educate and enrapture all ages. Focus on some of the many festivals – such as the New Brunswick Highland Games and Scottish Festival to experience Scottish music, games, food and drink.

In addition, you can enjoy many exciting ongoing summer events. The kids can watch the Changing of the Guard ceremony, or don their tunics and “enlist” for a historical experience discovering “A Day in a Soldier's Life” (including every mom's favourite: drill instruction). And if your little soldiers want more history, experience life in a 19th-century village at Kings Landing Historical Settlement where you'll find numerous activities, including daily theatrical performances.

Check out The Beaverbrook Art Gallery, which houses an outstanding international collection and a Canadian collection dating from the 19th century. One of the many programs offered at the gallery during the week is Artwork: Summer Art Workshops for Children. With the kids occupied, adults can find out what the fuss is about at the exhibition of “art in dispute” – a display of works that are the subject of legal disputes between The Beaverbrook Art Gallery and the Beaverbrook Foundations. These works will be shown from July 1, 2005 through the summer, and offer an excellent opportunity to view a large cross-section of one of the finest collections in Canada.

As night falls after a busy day, the fun doesn't stop. Outdoor summer evening concerts are a relaxing way to end the day. Or you can introduce the kids to Humphrey Bogart, Katharine Hepburn, Frank Sinatra and many other Hollywood greats at the “Under the Stars” Classic Film Series. It's free and starts just as soon as it gets dark. Listen to master storytellers or – for the brave at heart – the Calithumpians Fredericton Outdoor Summer Theatre group will take you on a lantern-lit Haunted Hike to meet the ghosts of historic figures from Fredericton's past. So make sure you plan to enjoy the history, arts and entertainment that welcome the whole family to Fredericton, all summer long.

Editor's Note: A trip to the province's capital is sure to please everyone! Start your planning with the City of Fredericton Tourism Division where you can find all the details on the Outdoor Concert Program, “Under the Stars” Classic Film Series, Storyteller Series and much more! Tel.: 1 888 888-4768, Web site: www.fredericton.ca.

