

Join the Canada 150 Mural Train Coming to Parksville in August!

The City is excited to be chosen to be part of the Canada 150 Mosaic project to celebrate Canada's 150th birthday in 2017. To recognize this significant birthday, 150 community murals will be created in all provinces and territories and when united, will form one gigantic mural mosaic with a railway theme to connect all of Canada. We invite you to join us on this creative journey and legacy for Parksville!

"It is an honour for Parksville to be selected to participate in this national initiative and we are thrilled for our City to be celebrated as part of the mosaic mural linking Canada," said Mayor Marc Lefebvre.

Canada 150 artists are close to finishing the design of our mural which will tell the "Parksville story" in a way which links our community to the 150 others across Canada. We will partner with Parksville's Beach Festival Society to host the painting days scheduled for Friday, August 5 and Saturday, August 6 in the Community Park as part of the Parksville Beach Festival Society activities.

Cheryl Dill, President of Beach Festival Society said, "I'm excited about this unique project and pleased the Parksville Beach Festival Society will help to shine a spotlight on Canada's 150th birthday here in Parksville."

This initiative first came to Council in June 2015. The cost of the mural to the City of Parksville is about \$12,000 and in order to recoup about \$8,000, we need to sell 400 individual tiles for \$20 each; sold on a first-come, first-serve basis, to be purchased by July 15.

All skill levels and ages are welcome to be part of this 150th legacy. Our mural will be made up of 400 individual tiles painted by members of the community. The 4 x 4 inch tiles will create a unified mural eight feet square which will be installed in the Atrium of the Parksville Civic and Technology Centre, 100 Jensen Avenue East.

Please consider joining the mural team. Tiles may now be purchased for \$20 each on a first-come, first-serve basis starting May 1. Information and forms are now available on our website from a Quicklink on the homepage or from <http://www.parksville.ca/cms.asp?wpID=510>. Payment may be made in person at City Hall or by mail.

Questions should be directed to Deb Tardiff, 250 954-3073. You can check out some of the murals already completed at www.Canada150Mosaic.com.

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