SPECIAL EVENTS AT TORONTO’S FORT YORK NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

‘THE FORT AT YORK’: Sept. 20th to Oct. 13th

Set at Fort York and using four of Toronto’s oldest buildings as its stage, The Fort at York is the latest play from Crate Productions, Toronto’s Dora Award-nominated theatre company. Created by Crate’s artistic director and co-founder, Chris Reynolds, the play transports its audience back to the fort on the eve of the Battle of York in April, 1813, to recount stories that might have been told then as people waited for the Americans to attack the next day.

Only 60 tickets are available for each performance, allowing the audience who arrive after nightfall to be divided into four smaller groups of 15 people each. Led off through the darkness by a guide, they witness successive performances in the gunpowder magazine, a barracks, a kitchen and alongside a firepit. Then, for the final dramatic scene, all the groups convene in a blockhouse.

DATES: Thursday, Sept. 20 to Saturday, October 13, 2007 except Mondays
START TIME: 8:00 pm
TICKET PRICES: Tues.-Thurs. $25  Fri.-Sun. $35  (half Sunday’s tickets are PWYC)
LOCATION: Fort York National Historic Site, enter off Fleet St. and Fort York Blvd.

ARCHEOLOGY DAY AT FORT YORK

The Ontario Archaeological Society presents a day of fun for both adults and children, with activities, displays and demonstrations on the past 10,000 years of Ontario’s history! These include: reconstructing pottery vessels; demonstrations of flint-knapping; learning how scientists identify plant and animal remains; displays of Ontario history; a used book sale, and more! Come talk with professionals who are digging Ontario’s past. Free with regular admission to Fort York.

DATE: Saturday September 22, 2007, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
LOCATION: Ft. York National Historic Site, enter off Fleet St. or Ft. York Blvd.
DANCE AND DANCE-ABILITY

If you like to dance and enjoy 19th century social history, you’ll fit right in at the 12th annual Country Dance workshop at Fort York. Participants will be guided through delightful and easy dances from 1812-era dance manuals. Beginners welcome. No partners required, but those who plan to attend must preregister.

**DATE:** Friday, October 19, 7:30 pm  
**COST:** $10 payable at door with pre-registration (416-392-6907)  
**LOCATION:** Blue Barracks, Fort York National Historic Site, enter off Fleet St. or Fort York Blvd.

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GHISTS OF THE GARISION

Bring the family for a pre-Hallowe'en evening of fun listening to ghost stories by lamp light in some of Toronto’s oldest buildings. “Ghosts” will tell their favourite stories in original barrack room settings at Fort York. Hot chocolate and snacks included. Pre-registration required.

**DATES:** Friday, Oct. 26 and Saturday, Oct. 27, 7:30 to 9:30 pm  
**COST:** Adults/seniors/youth: $10, children 12 and under: $5  
**LOCATION:** Fort York National Historic Site, enter off Fleet St. or Fort York Blvd.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

Since 1952 the Municipal Chapter of Toronto IODE in partnership with Fort York has marked Remembrance Day at the cemetery where soldiers and their families were buried from 1863 until 1911. The service honours all soldiers who served Canada here and abroad. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Blue Barracks.

**DATE:** Saturday, Nov. 11, 10:45 am  
**LOCATION:** Strachan Avenue Military Burying Ground at Fort York National Historic Site, enter by car off Fleet Street or on foot off Strachan Avenue.