Drumroll

SPECIAL EVENTS AT TORONTO’S FORT YORK NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

HANNAH GLASSE: A tribute to a remarkable cookbook author

In partnership with the Culinary Historians of Ontario

Hannah Glasse was christened in March 1708. To mark the 300th anniversary of the birth of this formidable woman and cookbook-author, a group of volunteers, the Historic Cooks of Fort York, will demonstrate some of her excellent recipes on the open hearth and in the brick oven of the 1826 Officers’ Mess Kitchen. These include Very Good Wiggs, Onion Pie, Pupton of Apples, Salmon in Cases, Oxford Pudding, and Jumballs. Then, Fiona Lucas, president of the Culinary Historians of Ontario, and Bridget Wranich, a programme officer at Fort York specializing in food history, will present short illustrated talks on Hannah Glasse, her culinary career, recipes, and three domestic books. Lunch is included, made entirely using recipes from Glasse’s The Art of Cookery Made Plain and Easy. Recipe leaflets will be available for sale. Please call 416-392-6907 or e-mail fortyork@toronto.ca for more information or to pre-register.

DATES: Saturday, March 8, 10:30 am to 3 pm
LOCATION: Fort York National Historic Site, enter off Fort York Blvd.
COST: $12 per person, plus regular admission to Fort York. Pre-registration is advised.

FIELD MANOEUVRES BY UNIFORMED RE-ENACTORS

To mark the 195th anniversary of the Battle of York in 1813, Fort York is hosting a day-long school of instruction for infantry and artillery re-enactors. Only registrants can attend the morning sessions, but in the afternoon the re-enactors will practice marching and firing on the parade ground inside the fort. All are welcome as observers, so bundle the kids up appropriately and bring them to see how soldiers of two centuries ago moved in formation, fired on command and reloaded for their next volley.

DATE: Saturday, April 26, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm
LOCATION: Fort York National Historic Site, enter off Fort York Blvd.
COST: Regular admission rates apply
**Festival of Storytelling:**
**STREETCAR WARS: THE BATTLE FOR FORT YORK**

Come hear how Fort York, nearly a century after U.S. Forces destroyed it in 1813, was almost overrun again. As part of the 30th Annual Festival of Storytelling, Toronto Culture presents in its Fabled City series a recounting of how a streetcar line was planned to be built right through the middle of the fort to the CNE. Chris Cavanagh, a popular educator, writer and graphic artist, will recall the intrigue and battle over the scheme that went from the streets of Toronto to City Hall, and from Queen’s Park all the way to Parliament Hill. Bring a picnic lunch to eat before the show and we will provide dessert.

Pre-registration is required: 416-392-6907 or fortyork@toronto.ca

**DATE:** Sunday, March 30, 1:00 - 2:30 pm  
**LOCATION:** Fort York National Historic Site, enter off Fort York Blvd  
**COST:** Adult $12; Seniors $10; Children $8.00, which includes entrance to Fort York

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**Spring Cleaning:**
**MAYOR MILLER’S COMMUNITY CLEANUP DAY**

Join neighbours and friends for an hour or two to pick up litter around Fort York. Celebrate the arrival of Spring by helping to rid Toronto’s 41-acre birthplace of tin cans, plastic bottles and shopping bags blown in by the winter winds. Meet your fellow litter-pickers at the west gate, wear suitable clothing, and bring your own gloves. Garbage bags and coffee will be provided.

**DATE:** Saturday, April 19, 10 am - 1 pm  
**LOCATION:** West gate, Fort York National Historic Site, enter off Fort York Blvd  
**COST:** Admission to Fort York is free for volunteers

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**An Invitation:**
**HELP LAUNCH THE NEW BOOK ‘CAPITAL IN FLAMES’**

Robert Malcomson, who has written widely about the War of 1812, describes in his new book, Capital In Flames, the attack on York by U.S. forces on 27 April 1813, the preceding events and the aftermath. Engaging and authoritative, this important work will be launched at Fort York exactly one hundred and ninety-five years after the battle. Come celebrate its publication by Robin Brass Studios and share in Toronto’s history. Learn how the war helped define Canada and about our plans to mark the war’s bicentennial in 2012-14. Copies of the book will be available for sale at $39.95 + tax. VISA and major credit cards accepted.

**DATE:** Sunday, April 27, 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm  
**LOCATION:** Blue Barracks, Fort York National Historic Site, enter off Fort York Blvd  
**COST:** Free for those who register in advance (416-392-6907 or fortyork@toronto.ca) or bring a copy of this issue of Drumroll