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Fall family fun events planned for Heritage House Museum in October

Smiths Falls – The Smiths Falls Heritage House Museum invites you to take part in its many upcoming fall events, whether it be spooky adventures or family fun! Below are a full list of events taking place at the museum this fall.

Heritage House Ghost Tours

October 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Tip toe through the candlelit corridors of the Smiths Falls Heritage House as a costumed interpreter leads you through tales of local ghost sightings, oral traditions and mysterious happenings of the Smiths Falls area and the museum. Pre-registration is required by purchasing tickets on Eventbrite at ghostwalkssf.eventbrite.ca, the cost for this event is \$10 per adult and \$5 per child (12 and under).

Fall Fun Day

October 16

Tour through the museum, take a walk to see carved pumpkins in the community pumpkin walk and vote on your favourite, play some games and activities, listen to music, and enjoy a Horse Drawn Wagon ride for \$4.00! There will be festive treats for sale including candy apples, cotton candy, popcorn and a BBQ. No tickets are needed for this event. Just come by the museum in-between the hours of 11 am and 2 pm and make a donation to enjoy this festive fall day.

Annual Community Pumpkin Carving Contest

October 16 – October 31

The Smiths Falls Heritage House Museum invites you to take part in the Annual Pumpkin Carving Contest. Individuals, families, businesses, or school classes can enter a carved pumpkin to win a Fall themed gift basket. All entries must be dropped off to the Smiths Falls Heritage House Museum by October 15, 2021. The pumpkins will be displayed at the Fall Fun Day on October 16 from 11 am to 2 pm where you can vote on your favourite one. The pumpkins will stay displayed and the ability to vote will continue until October 31. If interested, please contact the museum.

Haunted Heritage House

October 22, 23, 29, 30 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Join the museum for your spookiest tour of the Smiths Falls Heritage House yet... if you dare. Are you brave enough to wander through the rooms of the Heritage House in the dark? Tour through the room and corridors of our 1860's home in the dark.

With many hiding places and some very eerie sights, sounds and characters, we'll be sure to scare you into the haunting season. Join us after your tour for some Halloween treats. Tickets will be purchasable on Eventbrite. Please stay tuned for more information on the Smiths Falls Heritage House Museum's Haunted House.

Current exhibitions are: LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION! A History of Smiths Falls Cinema, Saved by the Bell: Victorian Mourning Traditions, and Little Chicago: A Look at Smiths Falls' Early Days of Lawlessness.

The Museum also has a Little Chicago themed Escape Room available for bookings. Immerse yourself in a 1920's speakeasy and exhibit to solve clues, puzzles, and locks in order to escape before police arrive. The museum will be open for regular hours of operation: Wednesday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday's 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. or otherwise by appointment for the month of October.

COVID-19 guidelines will be strictly enforced, and participants are required to wear a mask upon entry. For more information on any of these events, please contact the museum at 613 – 283 – 6311 or heritagehouse@smithsfalls.ca

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