

MEMBER UPDATES & ACTIVITIES

Elliott Smith to receive Order of Merlin Shield



On July 1, long-time Ottawa Tourism member Elliott Smith, Magician, will be presented with the prestigious "Order of Merlin Shield" by the International Brotherhood of Magicians. This award is granted in recognition of Elliott's long-standing, loyal contribution and service to the art of magic over the past 40 years. Elliott is the only full-time performing professional magician in Ottawa to be receiving this esteemed honour, and is very proud to represent Ottawa in this international award.

For 40 years, Elliott has entertained numerous corporations, television audiences and travelers across Canada, the United States, the Caribbean, Europe and Mexico. Prime Ministers of Canada, International Ambassadors, the late Liberace and Jay Leno, host of the Tonight Show, have experienced his unique brand of magic and comedy.

Find out more at www.seethemagic.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 3-13: Magnetic North Theatre Festival - National Arts Centre

Canada's national festival of contemporary Canadian theatre in English.
613-947-7000, ext. 719 www.magneticnorthfestival.ca

June 4-Jan. 3, 2010: Camouflage - From the Battlefield to the Catwalk -Canadian War Museum

This innovative exhibition traces the colourful history of military camouflage over the last century, from the simple concealment of soldiers and objects to the use of camouflage-inspired designs in a wide range of commercial and artistic products. 819-776-7000 www.warmuseum.ca

June 5-7: Garden exhibit of Canadian landscapes - 81 John Street, New Edinburgh

A spring vernissage by Ottawa artist Gordon Harrison.
613-746-6853 www.gordanharrisingallery.com

June 6-7: Doors Open Ottawa - Various locations

Building owners unlock their doors and welcome the public in to share the secrets of architecturally and historically significant buildings. Free admission. 613-580-9674 www.ottawa.ca/doorsoopen

June 7: ByWard Market Auto Classic - ByWard Market

The ByWard Market area becomes a showcase of automotive history with over 150 cars on display for fun and prizes. 613-562-3325 www.byward-market.com

June 9-27 (except Mondays): The Affections of May - Ottawa Little Theatre

Two very different men compete for the affections of May Henning, a spirited woman and former teacher.
613-233-8948 www.ottawalittletheatre.com

June 11: Malcolm Gladwell - National Arts Centre

United Way Ottawa hosts a conversation with Malcolm Gladwell, author of three best-sellers, The Tipping Point, Blink and Outliers. 613-228-6899 www.unitedwayottawa.ca

June 11-13: Franco Ontarian Festival - Festival Plaza

The Festival is a major event on local, provincial and national calendars, bringing together people of all ages to celebrate Franco Ontarian culture. 613-321-0102 www.ffo.ca

June 11-21: Italian Week - Preston Street

Italian Week features a huge religious procession that winds through its streets, a Mardi Gras type celebration and wonderful samples of Italian food and music.
613-726-0920 www.italianweekottawa.com

June 12-September 13: Festival Karsh - Various locations

Festival Karsh celebrates and explores the work of Yousuf Karsh, Canada's most famous photographer, on the 100th anniversary of his birth.
613-991-3044 www.festivalkarsh.ca