



Uxbridge  
Historical  
Centre

*Experience Our Heritage*

# School Programs 2024

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# About UHC

The Uxbridge Historical Centre (UHC) is located a few minutes west of downtown Uxbridge on Concession Road 6, just north of Brock Street.

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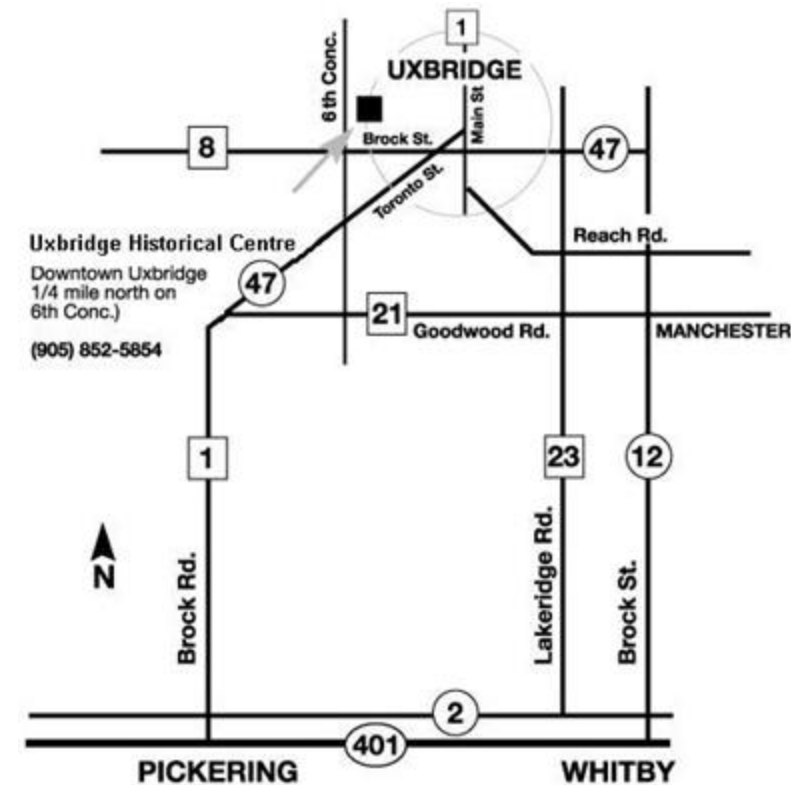
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## Location



# Our Site

The Uxbridge Historical Centre (UHC) collects, preserves, and displays artifacts, documents, and photographs related to the history of the Uxbridge area. The UHC consists of more than 6,000 artifacts and 10 (11 with gazebo) buildings on a 5-acre site. Included are a one-room schoolhouse, church, two period houses, a print shop, a lodge hall, a former township hall, an implement shed, carriage shed, barn, and gazebo.

The UHC is ideal for hosting class trips, with beautiful, spacious grounds, and a panoramic view of the town of Uxbridge and Oak Ridges Moraine.

We are happy to customize programs to suit your requirements. Please contact us and we will do our best to fulfill your needs. We are available to host programs for schools from May to June, and September to November.

## ***Did You Know...***

We also rent our ground and facilities! Utilize the UHC for your own events, such as PD Day sessions or hosting a lecture series.

We also offer specialized tours outside of our programs – contact us for details on tours for group bookings.



# Planning Your Visit

View our programs on Page 7 to see what we offer. Most programs run for approximately 2 hours, though you can choose one of our full-day options or choose two programs to create a custom full day option. We will work with your class schedule for program bookings.

All programs must be booked at least 2 weeks in advance to ensure availability and can be modified to suit your needs. We request that there is a minimum 1:5 adult to student ratio for younger elementary grades (1-5).

Programs are also available in the summer months for children's camps, groups, clubs, and Home School programs. Every program incorporates hands-on activities and a craft for the students to take home.

## **Cost**

\$6.50 (min.) per participant for half-day programs

\$10.50 (min.) per participant for full day programs

\$107.00 (min.) School Outreach (flat fee)



*Our Programs are  
Flexible &  
Engaging!*

# Accessibility / Dress

## **Accessibility**

All of our buildings are equipped with accessibility ramps, and the grounds have gravel pathways leading to each building. We also have a fully accessible washroom available. Our large driveway, turnaround area, and parking lot allow for buses to let students disembark safely. Buses may also park in the lot during the program.

## **Dress**

Our programs and tours are conducted in all weather conditions – rain or shine. Portions of our programs and tours are also conducted outside. Students are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather and wear appropriate footwear for outdoor activities. We will make every attempt to make sure the students are comfortable during their stay at the Centre.

# Arrival and Lunch

Please intend to arrive 15 minutes prior to your program time for students to settle in. We can accommodate any arrival time based on your needs.

All visiting classes are invited to stay on the grounds before and after the program to enjoy a picnic lunch and/or games under the supervision of teachers. For no extra charge, we can also provide a game bin (with balls, skip ropes, etc.) for your students to enjoy!



# Programs

## Grades 1-6 (ages 6-11)

### **From Farm to Table (Half Day) *September is Local Food Month!***

How much do your students know about plant life and agriculture? Do they know how food is grown and transported to at the grocery store? Participants will learn about the importance of plants for food and medicine to early settlers and Indigenous peoples. Students will use hands-on methods to learn about harvesting and have the opportunity to plant their own vegetable seeds to grow at home.

#### **Curriculum Connections:**

*Social Sciences:*A. Heritage and Identity (Grades 1-6)

*Science & Technology:* Understanding Life Systems (Grades 1-6); Understanding Earth and Space Systems (Grades 1-4)

\*Includes Indigenous content!

### **Exploring Yesterday (Half or Full Day)**

This program has students look at their own lives - their community, home, school, entertainment, chores, travel, food, and health. By exploring the use of items from the past, students will compare how their life is different from children who lived in our community over 100 years ago.

#### **Curriculum Connections:**

*Social Sciences:*A. Heritage and Identity; B. People and **Environments** (Grades 1-6)

\*Includes Indigenous content!



# Programs

New &  
Improved!

## **It's Fun to Fly a Kite (*Half Day*)**

With its field overlooking Uxbridge, the Centre is perfect for kite flying. After discussing aerodynamics, function, and design of kites, students will work in groups to examine the various materials available to design and create a kite! After building their kites the groups can test their creations on windy Quaker Hill, the program will conclude with scientific observations and a class discussion on which kites were successful in flying and why. *Outreach option available for this program. All materials included.*

### **Curriculum Connections:**

*Social Sciences:* B. People and Environments (Grades 1-4)

*Science & Technology:* Understanding Structures and Mechanisms (Grade 1-5)

*Physical Education:* B. Movement Competence: Skills, Concepts, and Strategies (Grades 1-5)

## **Wayfinding and Map-Making (*Half Day*)**

Learning how to find your way is both an essential life skill and great fun. Students will explore wayfinding and map-making in this recreational program. Through games and discussion, students will learn compass directions, and use their new skills to create a map of the museum and solve an exciting wayfinding activity running to and from strategically located stations.

### **Curriculum Connections:**

*Social Sciences:* B. People and Environments (Grades 1-4)

*Science & Technology:* Understanding Structures and Mechanisms (Grade 1-5)

*Physical Education:* B. Movement Competence: Skills, Concepts, and Strategies (Grades 1-5)

# Programs

## **Soil Secrets: Intro to Archaeology (Half Day)**

This program introduces students to archaeology through a focus on First Nations and early European settlers. It gives students a chance to get their hands dirty – be prepared to dig for artifacts and sift, measure, and record what they find. This program gives students an appreciation of how the past can be unlocked and includes students creating their own “artifacts”.

### **Curriculum Connections:**

*Social Sciences:* A. Heritage and Identity (Grades 3, 5-6)

*Science & Technology:* Understanding Structures and Mechanisms (Grades 1); Understand Earth and Space Systems (Grades 2-6)

\*Includes Indigenous content!

## **Travel and Communication (Half or Full Day)**

Learn how early settlers travelled to Uxbridge, through forests and rough trails, and about the dangers involved in early travel. Visit our working Print Shop to learn about early newspapers and their importance to a community. Students will have the opportunity to design their own newspaper advertisement.

### **Curriculum Connections:**

*Social Sciences:* A. Heritage and Identity; B. People and Environments (Grades 1-6)

*Science & Technology:* Understanding Structures and Mechanisms (Grades 1-5)

*Language:* Oral and Writing (Grades 1-6)

# Programs

Grades 6+ (ages 11+)

## **Museums: Remembering and Shaping the Past (Half Day)**

Why do museums collect the things we do? Students will learn about primary and secondary sources, and learn how to read artifacts – stories behind the artifact, what can it tell us about people who used it? Students will utilize this knowledge to create their own artifact to remember their time at UHC.

### **Curriculum Connections:**

*Social Sciences:* A. Heritage and Identity (Grades 6)

*History:* A & B. Heritage and Identity, Conflict and Challenges (Grade 7)

*History:* A & B. Creating Canada, Canada: A Changing Society (Grade 8)

\*Includes Indigenous content!



# Programs

## **Makers and Menders (*Half or Full Day*)**

This program looks at the past through an artistic lens: students will learn how traditional art and writing had an impact on Ontario's society and growth. They will explore the environment around the UHC using textile arts and writing exercises. Make the program a full day to include an *en plein air* painting exercise. Students will get a chance to create their own pieces of art and be introduced to prominent artistic figures of Uxbridge's past.

### **Curriculum Connections:**

Arts: Visual Arts D1, D2, D3 (Grades 6-8)

Languages: Oral Communication; Writing (Grades 6-8)

Social Sciences: A. Heritage and Identity (Grades 6-8)

Science and Technology: Understanding Structures and Mechanisms (Grades 7-8)

Arts: Visual Arts A, B, C (Grades 9-12)

Social Sciences: Exploring Family Studies C3 (Grades 9-10)

Technology Education: Communications Technology A1, A2 (Grades 11-12)

## **Uxbridge: Upheaval (*Half Day*)**

Students will see the past through the eyes of its citizens. By exploring political, societal, and economic issues like temperance, education, voting and suffrage, students will evaluate Canada and Ontario's past during times of change.

### **Curriculum Connections:**

Social Sciences: A. Heritage and Identity (Grades 6-8); B. People and Environments (Grade 7-8)

Social Sciences: Gender Studies A2 (Grade 11); Equity and Social Justice (Grades 11-12)

\*Includes Indigenous content!

# Can't Make it to the UHC?

The Uxbridge Historical Centre can come to you!

The following are also available as outreach programs:

- Exploring Yesterday
- It's Fun to Fly a Kite!
- Travel + Communication
- Museums: Remembering and Shaping the Past
- Makers + Menders
- Uxbridge Upheaval

For **more information** contact us at [museum@uxbridge.ca](mailto:museum@uxbridge.ca) or 905-852-5854

For **bookings**, please download the booking request form on our website: [www.uxbridgehistoricalcentre.com](http://www.uxbridgehistoricalcentre.com) and send it to [museum@uxbridge.ca](mailto:museum@uxbridge.ca)