



Kings Landing searching for people with early village connections in preparation for its 50th anniversary exhibit

PRINCE WILLIAM, N.B. - Kings Landing has touched the lives of many throughout New Brunswick and the Fredericton region over the past 50 years, including the families whose historical homes were moved, those who built the village, staff who have ensured a heartfelt and authentic experience, supporters, and visitors. As this landmark celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2024, the open-air museum is inviting the public to share their stories to help us tell ours.

"We need the public's help to source these living histories so that they will exist for future generations – especially for the 100th anniversary when they will be gone," said exhibit committee lead Evelyn Fidler.

The resulting exhibit aims to tell the history of Kings Landing, how it came to be, key players in its creation, and its development. Over 70 restored and reconstructed buildings and other structures from the 19th and early 20th centuries are now part of Kings Landing's collection since the 1960s when the Mactaquac Dam threatened to flood many historic buildings in the Saint John River Valley.

Kings Landing wants to hear from people with personal connections or unique memories of the village. The museum is also seeking information on items such as rare images of Kings Landing and souvenirs from the early years.

Anyone who wishes to contribute is invited to [complete a survey](#) on our website. Younger generations are encouraged to assist those who need it. Alternatively, Fidler can be reached by phone at 506-476-1905. The person may be contacted by Kings Landing representatives and asked if they would like to take part in an interview.

The 50th anniversary commemorates a major milestone for one of New Brunswick's premier tourist destinations and the local community. The exhibit will welcome visitors to the provincial open-air museum for years to come.

Any help to spread the word and encourage these connections, especially among those who are not online, is appreciated. Potential interview subjects as examples of who Kings Landing is looking for can be provided to the media on a case-by-case basis.

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Fast facts:

- Kings Landing officially opened on July 20, 1974
- Most of the buildings were moved by flatbed, barge, or ice and continued to be added after the Village opened
- The open-air museum is located just 20 minutes west of Fredericton in Prince William, N.B., and has employed many people throughout the region

The survey link (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LPSSCY7>) can be found on our website under “Help Support Us” and “Commemorating 50 Years.”

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