



The BC Cultural Crawl in Princeton, August 2011

Participating Venues

Sunflower Gallery

105 Vermilion Avenue. Open Wednesday –Saturday, 11am-3pm.

Local artists display their work for sale. A wide variety of mediums and skills make lovely gifts unique to Princeton. The go-to place for information about events and things to do around Princeton.

Princeton and District Museum and Archives

167 Vermilion Avenue. Open daily 10am-7pm, Sundays 11am-3pm.

Just re-opened following major renovations and expansion. A must see.

Features the Pollard fossil collection and many local artefacts, including a complete 100yr old cabin.

Shirley's Arts and Crafts

162 Vermilion Avenue. Open Monday –Thursday.

Craft workshops for all ages. Classes for groups or individuals. Call 250-295-4076 for appointment.

Events

Broadway comes to Princeton

River Road Theatre presents

The 39 Steps

Broadway's longest running comedy, and spy thriller

Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays 7.30pm, Saturday matinee 2pm

At the Riverside Centre, 148 Old Hedley Rd., until 14th August

Tickets: Adults \$18, students \$15 at Shoppers Drug Mart.



Arts in the Park

Thursday, 18th August. Princeton Community Arts Council presents an afternoon and evening of music celebrating 100yrs of BC Parks. Centred at Lightning Lake, a variety of musicians will play 'music through the century'. There will also be a display of work by local artists and a slide show of local flora and fauna as well as spontaneous theatrical performances in the park. A fun day for all the family. Free.

Princeton Traditional Music Festival

Kicks off on Friday, 19th August with a street dance at 7pm.

The next two days feature over 100 artists on two stages, 10am-6pm, playing all kinds of traditional music. The Town resounds to the sound of staged sets and of jam sessions at local restaurants. A special session this year will be a celebration of Princeton's Scottish history, with highland dancing, bagpipes and including a taste of haggis for the brave.

Around Veterans' Square. All free, and great fun for the entire family.



Places of Interest, Public Art

Kettle Valley Railway

This railway ran from Vancouver through Princeton and on to Midway via Penticton with a branch line to Merritt. Now part of the Trans-Canada Trail, hikers, bikers and horseback riders can still follow it to these destinations. In Princeton, the rail bed is paved and lit for a pleasant evening stroll from the Bridge of Dreams, which crosses the Tulameen River, to the tunnel under HWY 3 and over another bridge across the Similkameen River. En route one can see the Weyerhaeuser Roundhouse, giving historical information about Princeton and area, and the Phifer's Fountain which originally flowed in Vancouver.

Hikers and bikers may want to contact the Information Centre for details of the many historical trails around Princeton.

The Racers

Across the Highway from the fountain, look for 'The Racers', commemorating the first horseracing events, among the First Nations Women, in Princeton.

Fire Hall Mural

As you walk down Vermilion Avenue, look behind the Museum to see the mural on the side of the Volunteer Fire Department building.

Veterans' Square

The centre of Town boasts a splendid gazebo where there frequently are spontaneous musical performances. Beautiful shade trees and pretty flower gardens make this a lovely place to spend a summer afternoon. Check out the murals on the side of the Legion Hall and the front of the Family Centre. Enjoy the fountain built by internationally famous stone artist Kazumi Tanaka. Take a walk around downtown. Many of the buildings really are as old as they look. Some were moved into town from mining and other communities which have now disappeared.



Susan Louisa Allison Mural

On the Front wall of the Legion Hall, this painting commemorates the first white woman to settle in the area.

Princeton's History Murals

When shopping at the new local grocery store, look up across the road beside the building to see some original paintings depicting the town's history.

Riverside Murals

The newest mural in town is a community project where local residents joined with professional artists to build the Tree of Life in glass and clay. Look for this on the side of Riverside Centre, 148 Old Hedley Rd.

Inside, in the lobby, if the building is open, can be seen a clay mural built by Bob Kingsmill in collaboration with the Princeton Potters' Guild, entitled Two Rivers.

MORE INFORMATION

Princeton Community Arts Council
Princeton Visitor Information Centre
Princeton Traditional Music Festival
River Road Theatre

www.princetonarts.ca

www.princeton.ca

www.princetontraditional.org/festival

www.riverroadtheater.ca