

Museums Meeting the Challenge of the 21st Century

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OCTOBER 28th, 2025

Rotary Auditorium, Charlottetown Library & Learning Centre

12:30 PM

REGISTRATION, Supply Presentations to AV Coordinator

1:00 PM

Welcome / Land Acknowledgement – Diane Griffin

Opening Remarks – Minister Zack Bell

1:15 PM Keynote Speaker

Biodiversity Collections as a Public Good and Scientific Resource

Sean Haughian (Nova Scotia Museum)

1:55 PM

Discovery and Conservation of Fossil Life of PEI

John Calder (St. Mary's University)

2:15 PM

Archaeological Research and Collections on Epekwitk

Helen Kristmanson (L'Nuey)

2:35 PM BREAK

3:00 PM

The Role of Museums in the Education System

Jason MacNeil (PEI Museum and Heritage Foundation)

3:20 PM

Challenges of Developing a New Heritage Site

Vicki Bryanton (Fanning School) & Angela MacFarlane (Seacow Head Lighthouse)

3:40 PM

Reimagining the PEI Museum and Heritage Foundation

Matthew McRae (PEI Museum and Heritage Foundation)

4:00 PM

New Approaches to Sharing the Mi'kmaw Story

Julie Pellissier-Lush (L'Nuey)

4:20 PM

How to Increase Visitation and Audiences

Janette Gallant (Parks Canada)

4:40 PM ON YOUR OWN FOR DINNER

6:15 PM Supply Presentations to AV Coordinator

6:30 PM Keynote Speaker

(Re)-Imagining PEI Museums in the 21st Century

Ed MacDonald (UPEI)

7:10 PM Discussion / Share your Ideas

8:10 PM GOOD NIGHT -- Fill out conference questionnaire, or take home and send back

Pre-register by email sent at:

info@museumspei.ca