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UAlberta Press Announces Book Tour: Sandra Semchuk, Photographer and Author, Talks of Internment Camps in the First World War

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Edmonton, AB—University of Alberta Press has published an important new book by Sandra Semchuk, a photographic, text, and video artist, and the winner of a Governor General's Award in Visual and Media Arts (2018). Semchuk will be touring Canada in the coming months to create a discussion around *The Stories Were Not Told: Canada's First World War Internment Camps*.

In *The Stories Were Not Told*, Semchuk highlights Canada's internment operations during the First World War, in which many immigrants from the Austro-Hungarian Empire, Germany, and the Ottoman Empire were unjustly imprisoned as enemy aliens.

In her cross-Canada tour, Semchuk will create a space for the internees and their descendants to tell their stories after a century of suppression. Through photography, she will show the contemporary sites of the 24 internment camps, adding historical images and documents to allow readers a fuller glimpse of the past. Finally, Semchuk will describe how lives and society have been shaped by acts of legislated racism and help people understand the cross-cultural and intergenerational consequences of Canada's first internment camps.

"Using photography, cultural history, and personal history, Semchuk presents this largely unrecognized event as part of the process toward reconciliation and healing," says Emil Yereniuk, Chair of the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund and sponsor of the tour.

Tour Dates

Edmonton

Thursday, January 31, 7:30-9:30 pm
First Floor Gallery, St. John's Institute
11024 Whyte Avenue

Lethbridge

Sunday, February 3, 2-4 pm
The Learning Studio
The Galt Museum
502 - 1 Street S

Fernie

Tuesday, February 5, 7-9 pm
Fernie Museum

Banff

Friday, February 8, 7-9 pm
Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies
111 Bear Street

Calgary

Sunday, February 10, 1-3 pm
Performance Hall, Calgary Central Library
800 - 3 Street SE

Halifax

Tuesday, February 19, 7-9 pm
Andrea & Charles Bronfman Theatre
Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21

1055 Marginal Road

Amherst

Wednesday, February 20, Noon-3 pm
Cumberland County Museum and Archives
150 Church Street
(Location subject to change)

Niagara Falls

Thursday, February 21, 7–9 pm
Niagara Falls History Museum
5810 Ferry Street

Toronto

Monday, February 25, 6-8 pm
Grad Gallery
OCAD University
205 Richmond Street W. Level G

Toronto

Tuesday, February 26, 7–9 pm
Theatre, St. Vladimir Institute
620 Spadina Avenue

Montreal/Westmount

Thursday, February 28, 12:30 pm
Atwater Library and Computer Centre
1200 Atwater Avenue

Saskatoon

Friday, March 1, 7 pm
Ukrainian Museum of Canada
910 Spadina Crescent East
Saskatoon

Brandon

Monday, March 4, 7–9 pm
The Brandon Public Library
710 Rosser Avenue

Vancouver

Wednesday, March 20, 6 pm
Rennie Hall and Read Book Store, 2 floor
Emily Carr University of Art + Design
520 E – 1st Avenue

Vernon

Tuesday, March 26, 7–9 pm
Vernon Museum and Archives
3009 – 32 Avenue

Pending dates: Kapuskasing, Ottawa, Petawawa, St. Paul, and Winnipeg.

About the Press

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About CFWWIRF

The Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund (CFWWIRF) was established to support projects that commemorate and recognize the experiences of all of the ethno-cultural communities affected by Canada's first national internment operations of 1914 to 1920.

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