



New Grey Roots original exhibit showcases a family's lifelong
commitment to the art of spinning
Spinning Through Time: The Dorothy and Harry Kirk Collection

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Grey Roots Museum & Archives introduces *Spinning Through Time: The Dorothy and Harry Kirk Collection*. This exhibit spins a tale of dedication through a world-class collection of spinning wheels. The collection contains well-preserved spinning wheels from around the world.

The exhibit also tells of Dorothy Kirk, master spinner and co-founder of the Pottawatomi Spinners & Weavers Guild, who taught countless people the art of spinning, weaving and bobbin lace. She was instrumental in developing the "Master Spinner Certificate Program" which was in Georgian College and in Owen Sound until 1992. Although Dorothy and Harry Kirk traveled and lived in many places over the years, they were both born and raised in the former Sarawak Township and eventually retired in Owen Sound.

In addition to the exhibit, a hands-on spinning program is being offered to primary and secondary students, as well as adult and seniors groups. This program, available at the Grey Roots facility or as a part of the new Museum-on-Wheels program, takes participants through the history and process of cleaning, carding, and spinning wool into yarn. Bookings for this unique programming are available now for a limited time.

Spinning Through Time: The Dorothy and Harry Kirk Collection opens January 20, 2007. The exhibit continues until May 22, 2007.

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