



**Grey Roots Museum & Archives invites the community to
celebrate Black History month with multiple events, a film
festival, and a revival of the popular exhibit
“From Slavery to Freedom: African-Canadians in Grey County”**

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Grey Roots Museum & Archives proudly presents a celebration of Black History throughout the month of February. The centrepiece of the festivities is the exhibit opening on February 10, 2007, *From Slavery to Freedom: African-Canadians in Grey County*. This community exhibit honours the contributions made by African-Canadians and their descendants through personal recollections, photographs, and artefacts. The exhibit experience is enhanced further by the award-winning Gallery Guide, a multi-media CD-ROM, and a virtual exhibit available now at www.greyroots.com. This Grey Roots original exhibit will remain on display until September 9, 2007 in recognition of the 145th Emancipation Celebration Festival in August.

Events for children to learn about Black History in connection to this exhibit come through the Grey Roots P.D. Adventure Day, February 1, 2007 and Homeschooling Day on February 6, 2007. Both programs help children learn about history through stories and crafts, such as making their own symbols of freedom like those used in the Underground Railroad. Limited spots are still available for these popular programs.

The Black History Film Festival held in the Grey Roots Theatre features films such as *Speakers for the Dead* and *Freedom's Land: Canada and the Underground Railroad*. Five films will be shown over four Sundays, starting on February 4, 2007. Movie times are at 1:30pm and 3:00pm. Admission to the Film Festival is free.

To round off the events for the month, on February 24th, 2007 at 1:00pm, Grey Roots Museum & Archives launches Volume 4 of the *Northern Terminus*, a publication devoted to celebrating Black History. The event includes a presentation with music titled *A Brief History of the Banjo, "America's Instrument"* by Naomi Norquay, refreshments, and readings from the *Northern Terminus*. Admission to the event is free.

Grey Roots' celebration of Black History continues into the summer. Grey Roots partners in presenting the Grey County Black History Event in Durham on April 28, 2007 and will be hosting a Black Art exhibit in July and August 2007 in conjunction with the Emancipation Celebration Festival on August 2-4, 2007.

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