



## MEDIA RELEASE – *Three Museums and an Art Gallery*

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Every Grade 5 student in Grey and Bruce counties will receive a complimentary one year membership to the following Heritage and Cultural facilities of Grey County:

- **Billy Bishop Home and Museum** [www.billybishop.org](http://www.billybishop.org)
- **Owen Sound Marine and Rail Museum** [www.marinerail.com](http://www.marinerail.com)
- **Grey Roots Museum & Archives** [www.greyroots.com](http://www.greyroots.com)
- **Tom Thomson Art Gallery** [www.tomthomson.org](http://www.tomthomson.org)

The Grade Five membership program which was launched by the Tom Thomson Art Gallery in 2005 is based on a European concept, where in many countries the students are admitted free of charge to art galleries and museums as an important part of their local and national heritage and culture.

This successful Gallery program, now in its third year has been greatly expanded to not only provide free student membership privileges to the **Tom Thomson Art Gallery**, but also **Billy Bishop Home and Museum**, **Owen Sound Marine and Rail Museum**, and **Grey Roots Museum & Archives** to all Grade Five students in Grey and Bruce Counties for the next year including free admission and discounts on programs.

We encourage students to visit these facilities several times during the membership period as exhibits and displays change throughout the year. When they present this membership card at the reception desk on their first visit to one of the facilities they will receive an information/welcome package.

If you are a Grade Five teacher or student and have not heard of our program through your school, please contact David Huff, Tom Thomson Art Gallery ([dhuff@e-owensound.com](mailto:dhuff@e-owensound.com)) for full details.

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