



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

No matter what the season, we love to celebrate and hold events in Vernon. There's always something happening here. The calendar is updated on a regular basis so pick a season, pick an event, and enjoy!

For more events, visit the [Vernon Morning Star's Community Calendar](#) or the [City of Vernon's Event Calendar](#).

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RISE UP Summit

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Have you heard about Special Olympics? Are you looking for meaningful volunteer opportunities in your community? Find your reason to RISE UP and volunteer TODAY!

Special Olympics BC (SOBC) is hosting multiple 30-minute sessions on Wednesday, October 13th, 2021 via zoom to let people know about our organization! Please join us to learn more about what Special Olympics BC is all about, what opportunities there may be to volunteer in your community, and so much more! We will be giving out a door prize for each session.

[Register here!](#)

Can't make it to the event but are interested in getting involved? Email lkelly@specialolympics.bc.ca to learn more!

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Is it haunted? You be the judge! Join us for a tour and bring your tablets and phones for an immersive digital experience!

Come view the incredible Caetani collection, including Sveva's Recapitulation series of more than 50 large scale watercolour paintings and family home movies!

GUIDED TOURS

- Thursday nights, 6 pm Sept 16 - Oct 28 (no tours Sept 30th)
- Friday afternoons, 2 pm, Sept 17 - Oct 29
- Saturdays 10 am and 2 pm, Sept 18 - Oct 23

SELF-GUIDED TOURS

- Tuesday Mornings: 9 am to noon.
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- Thursday Afternoons: 1 pm to 4 p.m.
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Learn about this incredible family, descendants of Italian royalty, and their fascinating story.

[Find out more & book a tour](#)

COVID-19 guidelines and protocols will be in effect. Masks are required. Please note that only 10 people will be admitted into the Caetani Centre at one time. Groups are limited to 10 people or less.

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Field Of Screams Okanagan is one of the most significant Halloween events in British Columbia.

We are located at the Historic O'Keefe Ranch in Vernon, B.C.

This year is bigger and better than ever! Now with a total of four mazes. For the first time, the event has been so popular that Field Of Screams will have limited ticket sales as well as timed entry into the mazes.

The event runs the entire month of October and has multiple ticket tiers available.

[Get your ticket today and secure your spot!](#)

Not Neutral: Reconciliation in Museums @ Greater Vernon Museum & Archives

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On October 14th, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., the museum will host *Not Neutral: Reconciliation in Museums*. This is an evening of exploring where and how the things in your local museum come from, from who decides what is ethical and what is history, to whose stories are told and whose are silenced or ignored.

“These are questions we are continually asking as we not only build on the legacy of the Vernon Museum, but reimagine what a museum can be in the 21st century, and how it can honour and respect all people.”

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