



SPECIAL EVENTS

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BIOGRAPHY OF JOANNE KELLY AVAILABLE
AT <http://www.galtmuseum.com/media.htm>

SPECIAL GUEST AT GOLD MEDAL EGGSTRAVAGANZA

SAT APRIL 11 | 10AM – 2PM | \$4 [\$3*]/CHILD | *GALT ANNUAL PASS HOLDER RATE | FREE FOR PARENTS & BABIES

Celebrations of Easter allow families to relax and spend time together. The Galt Museum and Archives invites parents and children to spend time together at this year's **Gold Medal Eggstravaganza** on **Saturday, April 11** between 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Children will be able to have their picture taken with the Easter Bunny, colour Easter eggs and learn how to draw cartoons with Brian & Company, participate in other activities and crafts, and meet Paralympian and gold medalist **Joanne Kelly**.



Joanne Kelly will be in attendance for the day to tie in the current temporary exhibit *Everett Soop: Journalist, Cartoonist, Activist* with this year's event. The late Everett Soop was a local cartoonist as well as an advocate for those with disabilities, as he spent most of his life in a wheelchair. On April 11, children can challenge Joanne to a wheelchair basketball match, wheel through an obstacle course, and check out Kelly's Gold Medal for Wheelchair Basketball from the 2000 Sydney Paralympics.

"Joanne will challenge those who attend the event to look at the way they see people who are in wheelchairs and hopefully have people open their minds and learn about life in a wheelchair from someone who has spent her life in one," says **Lori Harasem**, Special Events Coordinator at the Galt Museum & Archives.

Joanne Kelly's appearance is made possible by the Southern Alberta Community Living Association. Brian & Company, Burnbrae Farms, Cadbury Adams, the Canadian Paralympic Committee, Canadian Parents for French: Lethbridge Chapter and Lethbridge Centre are also contributing to this year's annual celebration.

Admission to **A Gold Medal Eggstravaganza** is free for adults and \$4 per child over the age of one, or \$3 for children of annual passholders.

Other upcoming 2008 Galt events to look forward to include **Taste of Downtown** on Wednesday, May 6 [part of **Historic Lethbridge Week** running May 2-9]; **Feast by the Bridge** on Friday, May 8; **Galt Bedrock City Beer Tasting** on Friday, September 11; the **Rocky Horror Picture Show** October 30 and 31; and **A New Year's Eve Family Gala** on Thursday, December 31.

Everett Soop: Journalist, Cartoonist, Activist is organized and circulated by The Nickle Arts Museum, University of Calgary, and closes Sunday, April 26. For more information, please call 403.320-3954, or check www.galtmuseum.com for updates.

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