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ALL ABOARD THE GALT'S GET OUTTA TOWN 2011 BUS TOURS!

FAVOURITE LOCATIONS TO BE REVISITED THIS SUMMER

Prepare for a summer of unforgettable journeys through southwestern Alberta with the Galt Museum & Archives Get Outta Town Summer Bus Tours! Experience the history of the area on your way to the Waterton Wildflower Festival, learn about the changing face of ranching in the foothills, meet the members of a nearby Hutterite Colony, and discover the past in Writing-on-Stone Provincial Park.

<p>Sat JUN 18 8:00 am - 6:00 pm</p>	<p>Waterton Wildflower Festival [full-day tour]</p> <p>The tour begins as we interpret the history en route to Waterton National Park. Enjoy two new nature walks: a natural history stroll and a guided Wildflower Tour hosted by the Waterton Wildflower Festival. You will have time to visit the town site and Wildflower Fair.</p> <p><i>NOTE: nature walks are on unpaved pathways/dirt trails. Must be able to stand and walk at a gentle pace for 2 hours at a time. Lunch venue has stairs and no elevator.</i></p>
<p>Sat JUL 09 noon - 9:00 pm</p>	<p>Cowboy Up [full-day tour]</p> <p>Explore the changing face of ranching in southwestern Alberta on a journey into Cowboy country with our expert interpreters. Tour Kootenai Brown Pioneer Village followed by roping, saddling, and cattle cutting demonstrations and delicious dinner at Sierra West Ranch near Lundbreck.</p>
<p>Sat AUG 06 9:00 am - 2:00 pm</p>	<p>Hutterites & History [half-day tour]</p> <p>Learn about Hutterite history and culture over pastries and coffee at the Galt, followed by a tour of the modern Wilson Hutterite Colony and a home cooked lunch with the community.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Pathways are gravel or wooden sidewalks. Lunch venue accessed via short flight of stairs (approx. 5 stairs).</i></p>
<p>Sat AUG 20 8:00 am - 5:00 pm</p>	<p>Writing-on-Stone [full-day tour]</p> <p>Blanche Bruisedhead, Kainai interpreter at the Galt, joins us as our expert tour guide to this amazing Provincial Park - a pending UNESCO World Heritage Site - of spiritual significance to Blackfoot people. Go on guided tours of the protected area rock art and interpretive centre, and enjoy a picnic lunch and some free time to explore the hoodoos on your own.</p> <p><i>NOTE: pathways in the protected area are unpaved and include stairs with no railings.</i></p>

"This year we are excited for the return of the Cowboy Up tour, first offered in 2007, where we explore ranching history and enjoy cowboy poetry over a traditional ranch-style supper," says Leslie Hall, Community Program Coordinator at the Galt. "We have also fine-tuned our Waterton and Writing-On-Stone tours - these are amazing sites, and we're bringing back the half-day Hutterites & History tour."

All excursions include transportation, site admissions, guided tours, snacks, water and juice, as well as mouth-watering lunches prepared locally where possible. **Tour costs** are \$95/person for full day tours and \$50/person for the half day tour. The Galt Annual Pass holder rate is \$85 [full day] and \$45 [half day]/person.

Pre-registration for each tour is required and ends seven days prior to each date. To register, stop by the information desk, or call 403.320-3954 [toll-free 1.866-320-3898 ext 0]. All tours require the ability to stand and walk on uneven surfaces and the ability to walk up a flight of stairs. To discuss mobility or dietary concerns prior to purchasing a ticket, call Leslie Hall at 403.320-4700.

For more information on the Galt Museum & Archives visit www.galtmuseum.com.

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Galt Museum & Archives is located at the west end of 5 Avenue South, off Scenic Drive, Lethbridge, Alberta
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HOURS TO MAY 14: *mon-sat* 10:00 am - 4:30 pm | *sun + hol* 1:00 - 4:30 pm | CLOSED Easter Sunday
MAY 15 - AUG 31: *mon-sat* 10:00 am - 5:00 pm | *sun + hol* 1:00 - 5:00 pm