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## COMMUNITY ASKED FOR LOAN OF TOYS AND GAMES FOR NEXT EXHIBIT

The Galt Museum & Archives is scouring its shelves and databases in preparation for the fall exhibit: *Toys & Games - engage, entertain, educate* and needs the help of local and area residents by May 31, 2011.

"We have a great collection of toys and games in our Collections but we do not have all we would like to feature in the exhibit," says the Galt's Curator, Wendy Aitkens. "Can you help us? What is in your basement or attic in the way of commercially and/or handmade toys? Do you have a toy or game which came from another country?"

The request is limited to a specific list of toys and games, available at [www.galtmuseum.com/exhibits-toysandgames.htm](http://www.galtmuseum.com/exhibits-toysandgames.htm), by email (send a message to [info@galtmuseum.com](mailto:info@galtmuseum.com)), or pick up a list at the information desk at the Galt.

"If you have one or more toys and or games from the list, from or close to the date shown, and are willing to loan them to the Galt from July 1<sup>st</sup> this year to end January 2012, please contact me," says Aitkens.

This is the second call for public input this spring. In April, CEO/Executive Director Susan Burrows-Johnson put out two specific requests for local and area residents: ideas for the 2013-15 Exhibit Schedule – particularly those related to significant southwestern Alberta stories, anniversaries, or current issues – also being collected until May 31; and input into Phase Two of the south garden, now underway following responses from the public.

"The Galt is intent on being engaged and responsive to the community on an ongoing basis," says Burrows-Johnson.

Suggestions for the 2013-15 exhibit schedule are being collected at [galtmuseum.blogspot.com](http://galtmuseum.blogspot.com) (click on the Exhibits tab and scroll down to the March 22 entry).

Ideas can also be emailed directly to Wendy Aitkens via [wendy.aitkens@galtmuseum.com](mailto:wendy.aitkens@galtmuseum.com) or mailed to her at 910 - 4 Avenue South, Lethbridge, Alberta, T1J 0P6. They can also be dropped off to Wendy's attention at the information desk. Aitkens can be reached by phone at 403.320-3907.

Information on upcoming exhibits, other programs and events is available on the Galt Museum & Archives website: [www.galtmuseum.com](http://www.galtmuseum.com).

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# Toy List for Toys & Games - engage, entertain, educate Exhibit

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Please note, toys and games close to the dates listed will be considered. Contact us by May 31.

1. **Toys/games from other countries;** i.e. Wuri game from Africa, Mah Jong, **1800s-current**
2. **Handmade toys;** kites, dancing stick man, swords, trucks, cardboard box made into a toy; **1800s - current**
3. **Barbie, 1959-1990s**
4. **G.I. Joe Action Figure, 1960-1990s**
  - a. Army manual issued with each action figure
5. **Teddy Bears, 1902-1920**
6. **Beanie Babies, 1993-1995**
7. **Scrabble, 1948-1992**
8. **Monopoly, 1933-1990s**
9. **Pictionary, 1985-2000**
10. **Twister, 1966-1950s**
11. **Toss Across 3 Dimensional Tic Tac Toe, 1969-1980s**
12. **Pin the Tail on the Donkey**
13. **Candy Land game, 1949-1960s**
14. **Yahtzee, 1956-current**
15. **Clue game, 1949-1980s**
16. **Operation, 1965-current**
17. **Simon, 1978**
18. **KerPlunk, 1967**
19. **Game of Life, 1960s-1970s**
20. **Uno game, 1971**
21. **Trivial Pursuit Genius, 1982-2000**
22. **Ants in the Pants, 1967-2000**
23. **Rubik's Cube, 1980-current**
24. **Slinky, 1943**
  - a. 1955—Slinky Bucko toy
  - b. 1960—Slinky Train pull toy
  - c. 1980—Slinky Crazy-Eyes
25. **Lego, 1934-1965**
26. **Lincoln Logs, 1924-1960 playsets**
27. **Erector or Meccano sets, 1913-1950s**
28. **Easy-Bake Oven, 1964-2000**
29. **Doll house, 1950s-1990s**
30. **Skateboards, 1958-1990s**
31. **Frisbee:**
  - a. 1948—'Flying Saucer'
  - b. 1957—"Pluto Platter"
  - c. 1973—"Master Frisbee"
32. **Hula Hoop:**
  - a. 1950s—first developed
  - b. 1968—weighted hoop comes out
  - c. 1990s—fluorescent colours
33. **Hobbie Horse, 1900-1950s**
34. **Yo-Yos, 1929—Duncan brand**
35. **Super Soaker, 1990**
36. **Red Wagon or Radio Flyer, 1910s-1960s**
37. **Tonka, 1947-1980s**
38. **Quoits/horse shoes**
39. **Silly Putty, 1960-1990s**
40. **Play-Doh:**
  - a. 1967—Fun Factory
  - b. 1978—Goofy Faces Play set, Animal Arc Play Set
  - c. 1980—Day Glo Colours
  - d. 1989—Make a Meal play set
41. **Crayola crayons, 1903-1990s**
42. **Etch-A-Sketch, 1959-1980s**
43. **Light Bright, 1967-1990s**
44. **Mr. Potato Head:**
  - a. Funny Faces Kit: 1950s
  - b. 1964—Plastic Potato now included
45. **Toy snow shovel, garden tools, broom - household help toys, 1950s-current**
46. **Dress up costumes, 1900-current**
47. **Jack-in-the-box, 1920s-1950s**
48. **Baby mobile, 1950s-current**
49. **Push toy, 1970s-1990s**
50. **Rhythm band musical instruments, 1900-1950s**
51. **Ant Farm or Sea-Monkeys, 1956-1970s**
52. **Rock 'em Sock 'em Robots, 1965-1980s**
53. **Fisher Price Castle, 1970s-1990s**
54. **Invisible dog leash, 1990s-current**