



Saturday, March 2, 2024

Family History Workshop

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Advance registration only | Space is limited | \$62.15 (HST included) per participant.

Registration opens February 1.

Monday, March 11, 2024

March Break at the Museum

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March Break Programming: Building a Community

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Program Schedule:

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