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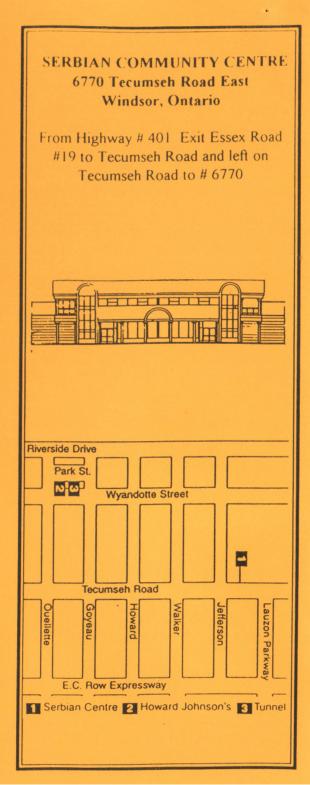
MUSEUM HOURS

Monday-Friday 10 am - 4 pm Sunday closed

Groups are welcome by appointment. Light lunches served to groups of 15 or more, upon request.

Cover design

A maple leaf represents Canada and the initials in Cyrillic alphabet Serbia. Design speaks about the rich culture of the Serbian Forefathers who brought it with them to their new home. The tree of life represents a flourishing heritage within a growing country



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Coat of Arms of the Kingdom of Serbia 1882

Exshibit:

ANCESTORS: XI CENTURIES OF SERBIAN ROOTS IN THE BALKANS

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INTRODUCTION

Exhibit from the collection, lovingly acquired by Aleksandra and Misa Budisavljevic, donated to the Serbian Heritage Museum.

The exhibit illustrates Serbian history from the early Middle Ages to the present.

It covers the golden age under the rule of the Nemanjic Dynasty, through the Turkish occupation, the wars for liberation from the Turks, World War I and World War II.

The exhibit consists of drawings, paintings and prints from the works of famous Serbian artists, all beautifully framed.

The exhibit is arranged in chronological order as much as possible, due to limited space.

All quotations in Serbian are depicted from the Serbian epic ballads.

1. Stefan Dusan, king of Serbia 1331-1346; Emperor of Serbs, Greeks and Albanians 1346-1355.

- -The marriage of Empertor Dusan
- -Proclamation of Emperor Dusan's Code of Law 1349.
- -Milos among the Latin.
- -Crown of Emperor Dusan detail of his costume from the play "The Founding" by Branislav Nusic

2. The Battle of Kosovo 1389.

- -The Maiden of Kosovo
- -Jug Bogdan and his nine sons
- -Prince Lazar 1371-1389 with Princes Milica and with their family.
- -Bosko Jugovic, son of Jug Bogdan, the standard bearer.
- -Milos Obilic kiling Sultan Murat.

3. Burning of the relics of St. Sava 1594.

- -St. Sava's rules for Monastery life.
- 4. Marko Kraljevic, Serbian national hero and king 1371-1395.
- -Marko Kraljevic and the Fairy
- -Marko Kraljevic and Musa Kesedjija
- -Marko Kraljevic proclaims the next king
- -Death of Marko Kraljevic

5. Turkish occupation of Serbia 1389-1867.

- -After the Battle of Kosovo Serbia was occupied for 500 years
- -Serbian guslars (Bards) kept Serbian spirit alive singing about Serbian former glory and kings and heroes
- -Gusle, the Serbian national instrument

6. Herzegovian refugee.

- -The wounded Montenegreen
- -The Montenegreen revenge
- -Petar Petrovic Njegos: Ruler, Bishop and poet of Montenegro 1830 –1851
- -The migration of Serbs under the Patriarch Arsenije Carnojevic 1690.

7. Serbian battles for liberation from Turks.

- -Djordje Petrovic Karadjordje and the First Serbian Uprising 1804 in Orasac
- -The Second Serbian Uprising under Milos Obrenovic 1815 in Topola
- -Some Serbian heroes in the battle for liberation:
- -Hajduk Veljko Petrovic
- -Tanasko Rajic in Ljubic
- -Assassination of Karadjorje

8. The First World War 1914-1918.

- -Petar I Karadjordjevic 1903-1921, king of Serbia
- -Petar I become the King of Serbia 1903
- -Serbian military leaders:
- -Zivoin Misic
- -Petar Bojovic
- -Stepa Stepanovic
- -Radomir Putnik

(From the Museum collection)

- 9. Aleksandar I Karadjordjevic, King of Yugoslavia 1921-1934 and Queen Marija.
- 10. Petar II Karadjordjevic, King of Yugoslavia 1941-1945.
- 11. General Dragoljub Draza Mihailovic, Supreme Comander of the Yugoslav Army in Serbia during World War II.
- 12. Crown Prince Aleksandar Karadjordjevic with Princes Katarina and his sons.