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artistic cultural life in the community.
- An Annual Museum Fund-Raising Event -*

The Royal Alexandra



MASQUERADE

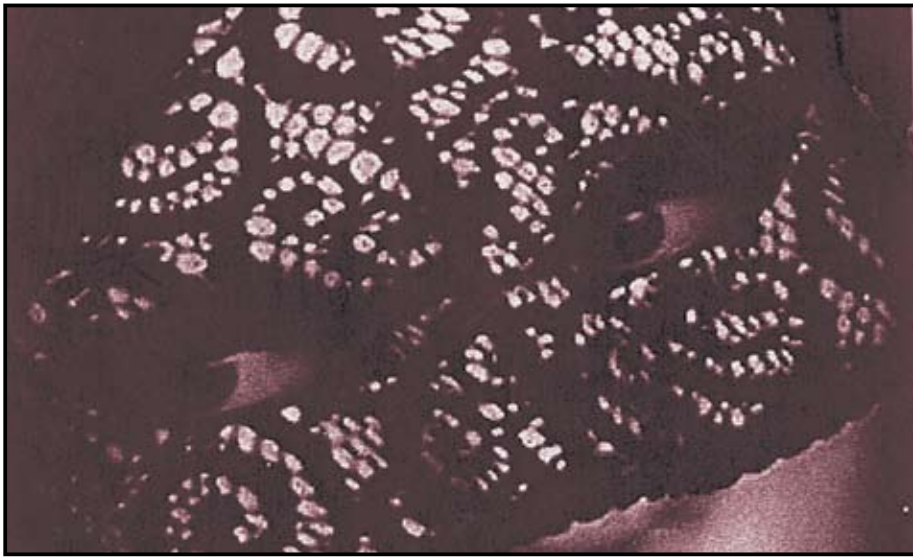
ROYAL ALEXANDRA HALL
Canadian Museum of Rail Travel
Cranbrook, BC.

• **SATURDAY, FEB. 25 - 2012** •

*An evening of dance with buffet and socializing for young
and old to music from the 1940s to today.*

BROCHURE & TICKETS

250-489-3918 or www.trainsdeluxe.com



Enjoy an extraordinary evening in the ambience of the 1906 Royal Alexandra Hall.
 - Winner of the 2007 Heritage Canada Gold Medal "Achievement Award" for restoration -

WHAT IS THE ROYAL ALEXANDRA MASQUERADE ?

* This event is an evening of dance to popular music from Glenn Miller to Madonna - big band - rock n, roll, heavy rock - country - disco- current pop - something for everyone - with an all-night light buffet & bar service. FOR AGES 19 AND OVER.

*** YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A DANCER, OR EVEN DANCE, TO ENJOY THIS EVENT**

* THIS IS NOT A COSTUME PARTY. The elaborate capes and hand-held masks can be worn for the reception & processions over clothing of your choice, and then removed and hung beside your table. The procession visuals are similar to the *Carnival of Venice*.

CAPE AND MASKS

* About 40 exotic capes (adjustable for height and girth) and hand-held masks are available for rent by contacting the Museum in advance. Photos can be seen on the web or by coming into the Museum. These are not to be taken home, but are to be picked up and put on when you arrive and taken off when you leave - simple and effective - less hassle.

* *The capes are somewhat fragile and should NOT be worn for eating or for dancing. They are to be hung beside each table, and the hand-held masks can be placed in holders at each table when not in use. They have been designed for your comfort and flexibility.*

OTHER DETAILS

* There is a circulation path around the outside of the tables to allow access to the buffet and other areas without having to cross the dance floor. The Buffet is in adjacent Reception Hall, the beverage table is in the Palm Court, and the Bar is in Entrance Hall. **Food and beverages are not to be taken onto the dance floor.**

* Registration is just inside the entrance doors, and the office is open all evening for all your information needs. There is no access to the Royal Alexandra Hall until the procession.

* **Special stage lighting and speakers** are suspended above the dance floor for ambience and clarity of music for dancers, while allowing those at tables to better converse over the music.

THE ROYAL ALEXANDRA MASQUERADE 2012 EVENING SCHEDULE

7:00 pm RECEPTION IN THE MUSEUM ENTRANCE HALL

- Registration - pick up receipts for event (and receipt for the cape &/or mask, if you have arranged for one), the gratis ticket for your complimentary Masquerade Cocktail & check coats.
- Pick up pre-ordered capes and masks which will be placed on you by Museum volunteers. Once your cape and mask are on, return to Entrance Hall and socialize until the main event starts at 8
- Enjoy your Masquerade Cocktail and the exotic colours of the capes & masks being worn.
- Purchase bar tickets & check the assigned table seating chart for your location in the Royal Alex.

7:55 THE "PROCESSION" TO ROYAL ALEXANDRA HALL - wear capes & masks

8:00 *Dance of the Masks* performance for guests by senior ballet students from Stages School of Dancel.

8:05 REGULAR DANCE BEGINS - continuous

- a wide selection of pre-recorded popular dance music for people of all ages
- During the first half of the evening there will be an approximate 5-minute performance for guests of two different Tangos by Andrew and Katherine followed later by a 10-minute "sampler" of various popular dances for everyone to watch or participate in as they wish (*details to be announced*)

8:20 Buffet Service Begins in Reception Hall.

9:50 The *Masquerade Waltz* by several couples from Randy & Kim's Dance Group to the music of Katchaturian.

9:55 BREAK (caterers to clean tables and re-set the buffet, but guests can remain in the Hall or go out to other public rooms as they wish)

10:10 REGULAR DANCE RESUMES

- During the second half of the evening there will be another approximate 5-minute performance for guests of a "medley" of dances including Cha-Cha, Jive and Quickstep by Kim and Randy followed a little later by another 10-minute "sampler" of various dances for everyone to watch or participate in as they wish (*details to be announced*)

- bar service stops at 11:30

- buffet service stop sat 11:40

11:55 A special performance of the *Time to Say Goodbye Waltz* by Kim Bombardier and Randy Tapp

12:00 EVENT ENDS

- lights come up full and the Hall will remain open for about 20 minutes

- Guests return capes and masks and pick up coats

THE EVENING IS FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT

• DANCE • EAT • SOCIALIZE

- MUSIC is of all types for dancing from the 1940's to today, while the performances are provided for your entertainment.

- The short sections of "sampler" dances are provided to show you how some of the social/ballroom dances are done, so you can watch or participate as you wish.

- The event is a time for enjoyment of music & discovering other dances as you want.

THE ROYAL ALEXANDRA MASQUERADE 2012

BUFFET MENU

Catered by Heidi's Restaurant which has extensive experience in catering many events at the Royal Alexandra Hall since it opened in April, 2004

*** Patrons are advised to have a small meal at home before the event** as the buffet is light and is not intended to replace a regular dinner. The buffet is made entirely of finger foods for convenience, with small plates provided at the tables. It is served all evening, but will be replenished at the break.

A SAMPLING OF WHAT TO EXPECT

COLD PLATTERS

- cold cuts - veggies and dip
- tapanade stuffed baby potatoes
- mediterranean grilled vegetable strudel
- beet relish endive tips...and more

HOT PLATTERS

- marinated lamb skewers
- chorizo mushroom skewers...and more

BREADS / CRACKERS

- breads and spreads
- assorted crackers and cheeses
- chipotle cream cheese hummus
- bruchetta crisps

DESSERTS

- a selection of sweets - assorted fruit

BEVERAGES

- iced purified water fountain
- punch - tea/coffee

BAR

- Beer - Red and White wine by the glass
- * also bottles for sale for tables

** You will be offered a gratis "Masquerade Cocktail" with your ticket during the opening reception, but more can be purchased during the evening as supplies last.*



*Some of the exotic masks and adjustable capes for the Royal Alexandra Masquerade.
See examples online at www.trainsdeluxe.com*

2012 ROYAL ALEXANDRA MASQUERADE

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF RAIL TRAVEL - ROYAL ALEXANDRA HALL

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION PACKAGES

THE PRESTIGE ROCKY MOUNTAIN RESORT

adjacent to the museum

* Located conveniently by pathway through "Van Horne Park", this 4 1/2 star hotel opened in 1999 on the Museum Development Zone of the City, and has a railway history context.

* It works in partnership with the museum in promoting the railway history of Cranbrook and area.

* Full service: Spa, Pool, Gym, Hair Salon, Dining Room, Lounge and Coffee Shop.

* The Hotel is offering a **special Package** - Phone 250-417-0444 or 1-800-737-8443, and quote "Museum Masquerade"

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"CRANBROOK PREMIER RESIDENCE"

(CPR House) Bed & Breakfast

* Located at 117-12th Ave. in the heart of the historic "Baker Hill Residential Heritage Area", and adjacent to the downtown area, this heritage B&B is within a reasonable walking distance of the Railway Museum.

* **Built in 1900 as the "Railway Superintendant's Home"**, this 4,000 sq. ft. heritage home was beautifully restored and upgraded to modern standards of comfort over 4 years, opening in 2006.

* CPR House is offering a **special Package** - Phone 250-417-2987 and quote "Museum Masquerade"

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CANADIAN MUSEUM OF RAIL TRAVEL - ROYAL ALEXANDRA MASQUERADE - FEB. 25, 2012 ROYAL ALEXANDRA HALL - TABLE LAYOUT & DANCE FLOOR PLAN

