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"Brainium Explainium" March Break Programs at the Museum of Health Care

(KINGSTON, Ont.) –The Museum of Health Care is offering a hands-on March Break Program that will provide children and accompanying adults with a fun introduction to the brain and nervous system. Rack your brains with a memory challenge, test your reflexes, and create your very own thinking cap! Recommended for ages 6 - 12 (parents welcome). Pre-registration required.

According to Museum Manager and Program Director Jenny Stepa, children aged 6-12 will learn through hands-on activities about the brain and its relationships with other parts of the body.

"Like the title 'Brainium Explainium' suggests, we're going to provide an introductory explanation about the various functions of the brain," says Stepa. "We will be examining a real skull and a teaching model of the brain from the Museum's education collection to talk about the different ways our bodies protect our brain, as well as its parts and roles" she adds.

"There will be lots of activities, like creating our own 'Thinking Caps' illustrating the different areas of the brain, as well as a 'Test Your Reflexes' game. Ultimately, we want children to gain an appreciation of how complex and fascinating the brain and nervous system are." Stepa concludes.

The Museum of Health Care offers education programs throughout the year and accepts school and other group visits by appointment.

The Museum is hosting "Brainium Explainium" sessions on March 12 (10amnoon), 13 (10am-noon), and 14 (10am-noon OR 2pm-4pm). Participants can pick one of the four different time slots. The program is suitable for children ages 6-12 and costs \$5 per participant. Adults are welcome to accompany their child, free of charge.

Pre-registration is required. To register call 613-548-2419, e-mail info@museumofhealthcare.ca, or complete an online registration form at www.museumofhealthcare.ca.

Location: 32 George Street, Ann Baillie Building National Historic Site Dates & Times: Wednesday, March 12, 10:00 am to noon OR Thursday, March 13, 10:00 am to noon OR Friday, March 14, 10:00 am to noon OR Friday, March 14, 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm Cost: \$5/child (no charge for accompanying adults)

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