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“A Healthy Dose of Horror” at the Museum of Health Care

(KINGSTON ON,) – Participants ages 12+ can witness medicine’s shocking past at the Museum of Health Care (32 George St., Kingston, Ontario) on October 19th, 2013. The evening will include a historical re-enactment of past medical procedures by Dr. Greg Baran. Museum Curator Dr. Pamela Peacock will present a contemporary perspective and behind the scenes look at spine-tingling artefacts from the early 19th century.

Dr. Greg Baran, a local family physician, is well-known for his historical medical re-enactments - at First Capital Day, lectures, or battlefield re-enactments. For this event, Dr. Baran will play the part of regimental surgeon from 1812.

According to Jenny Stepa, Museum Manager and Program Director, this year’s *A Healthy Dose of Horror* will be a bit different. “We wanted to give people the opportunity to see interesting artefacts from our vaults, such as a pill rolling machine and a surgical case from the early 19th century,” says Stepa. “In addition to the interesting artifacts, Dr. Baran will act the part of a surgeon from two hundred years ago, using tools and techniques from that time period. Our curator, Pamela Peacock will provide the historical context using the Museum’s displays,” she adds.

“This is one of our most popular programs, and for good reasons: it’s fun, interactive, and a different way to present a part of our medical history,” Stepa noted.

Please be advised that the program is recommended for ages 12+. The program contains content of a graphic nature and potential irritants in the form of smoke from a fog machine.

The program costs \$5 per participant and requires advance registration.

This event is supported in part by Kingston Travel Clinic (www.kingstontravel.ca)

Event title: A Healthy Dose of Horror



Location: Museum of Health Care, 32 George Street, Ann Baillie Building National Historic Site

Time: Saturday, October 19, 6:30 – 7:30 pm OR 8- 9 pm

Cost: \$5/participant.

Space is limited. To register: Call 613-548-2419, e-mail

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