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Archives Week Highlights the Value of BC Archives

Victoria, BC –The 13th annual BC Archives Week, November 18-24, is an ideal time to learn more about the BC Archives at the Royal BC Museum.

BC Archives Week is an annual celebration of the province's nearly 200 archival institutions. The BC Archives is joining the celebration with *Professor Lambert's Magic Lantern Show*, a popular *Archival Research Boot Camp* and a fascinating lecture telling how records in the BC Archives were a key component in researching Emily Carr's time in England.

The lecture, *Hidden in Plain Sight: Uncovering Emily Carr's Time in England*, by Dr. Kathryn Bridge, Deputy Director and Head of Academic Relations & Atlas, Archives, Collections & Knowledge is on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Bridge will present the results of her recent research on Emily Carr's five years of artistic training in England. Her talk is centred on three key records in the BC Archives holdings and shows how these records complement those held elsewhere. Looking for new meanings between the lines allowed Dr. Bridge to more accurately comprehend this pivotal period in Carr's life.

On Sunday, Nov. 24 at 2:00 p.m. be delighted by Victoria- era entertainment with *Professor Lambert's Magic Lantern Show* in the Newcombe Conference Hall at the Royal BC Museum. Magic Lantern Shows were the forerunners to cinema technology and were popular forms of entertainment before movies were invented. 'Professor' Lambert uses an authentic magic lantern projector and many of the slides that will be shown are over 100 years old.

Tickets to *Hidden in Plain Sight: Uncovering Emily Carr's Time in England* are \$16 per person and members receive a 10% discount. Tickets for *Professor Lambert's Magic Lantern Show* are \$5. Tickets to both events are available at the Museum Box Office or online. For details please visit www.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca.

Another BC Archives Week program, the *Archival Research Boot Camp* on November 23, 2013 is sold out, but due to high interest a second date of January 25, 2014 has been added.

About the Royal BC Museum

As the provincial museum and archives, the Royal BC Museum explores the province's human history and natural history, advances new knowledge and understanding of BC, and provides a dynamic forum for discussion and a place for reflection. Through collections, research, presentations and partnerships, the museum and archives tell the stories of BC in ways that

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enlighten, stimulate and inspire. Its two-hectare cultural precinct in Victoria includes a number of historically significant buildings and First Nations sites.

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