



## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:** Our annual membership drive runs from **06 February 2021** to **06 June 2021**. Please consider becoming a member and helping us reach our goal of 100 new members. To participate, please visit our [membership drive page here](#).

**Become a member and help us reach our goal!**

\$5,000 (100 new members)

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- **THE BATTLE OF VIMY RIDGE - SPEAKER EVENT:** Join us on **08 April 2021 at 1800 hrs (MST)** for an exclusive three speaker event on the **Battle of Vimy Ridge - 104th Anniversary**. Email us at [contact@valourcanada.ca](mailto:contact@valourcanada.ca) to register.

### COMING SOON

- **BEER TASTING EVENT:** Save the date - we will be having our first virtual beer tasting event on **Thursday 20 May 2021**. This event includes exploring locally brewed craft beer with an experienced brewmaster, and a couple rounds of Canadian military history themed trivia! Stay tuned for more details coming later this month.



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# MOLLY LAMB BOBAK



In the winter of 1942, Prime Minister Mackenzie King approved the creation of the Canadian War Records Committee, a program designed to produce an artistic record of Canada's Second World War experience that was led



Molly Lamb Bobak, war artist in the CWAC. Photo taken in London, England, 12 July 1945 (Credit: LAC M# 3191978)

by an appointed War Artists Committee who selected and sent artists overseas. The dispatched Canadian artists were tasked with ensuring that a record would be preserved in a format that could do justice to the emotional intensity of the conflict. The grit and determination of one courageous female artist guaranteed that the vital work of Canadian women became part of this valuable historical record.

Molly Lamb Bobak, a graduate of the Vancouver School of Art, joined the Canadian Women's Army Corps (CWAC) in 1942. For the next three years she performed a variety of jobs across Canada. She worked in an army canteen, designed costumes and sets for the Canadian Army Show, sketched engines, and spent weeks drawing cuts of meat for the CWAC School of Cookery.

More importantly, she continually lobbied the War Artists Committee for an appointment as an official war artist and hitchhiked to Ottawa to present her case.

However, the army's reluctance to place a woman in a situation where she would witness live combat meant that Molly Lamb Bobak's appointment was delayed until after the end of the war. She set sail for England in June 1945 and spent the next six weeks travelling through England, Belgium, Holland, Germany, and France, all the while sketching images of the women she met along the way. Her portrayals of ladies in the armed forces made sure that future generations would remember the contributions made by those hard-working and barrier-breaking women.

During Molly Lamb Bobak's time in the army she kept an illustrated diary that recorded her experiences and poked fun at the military institution. It can be viewed online at [Library and Archives Canada](#).



Bobak's "Remembrance Day" (Credit: Artstack).

For more info on Canadian Women in WWII, see: [CWAC \(Cynthia Oakley\)](#), [CWAC](#), [CWAAC](#), or [Canadian Army Film and Photo Unit \(Karen Hermiston\)](#)

# CROSSWORD PUZZLE



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## CAN YOU FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE ABOVE?

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|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Molly Lamb Bobak | 6. Bluebirds                 | Leuszler                | 13. Cynthia Oakley    |
| 2. Bombes           | 7. Nursing Sisters of Canada | 10. Isabel May McDonald | 14. CWAC              |
| 3. Nance Wright     | 8. Adelaide Sinclair         | 11. Sandra Perron       | 15. Margaret Ann Lowe |
| 4. Madge Trull      | 9. Winnie Roach-             | 12. Karen Hermiston     | 16. CWAAF             |
| 5. Peggy Lee        |                              |                         |                       |

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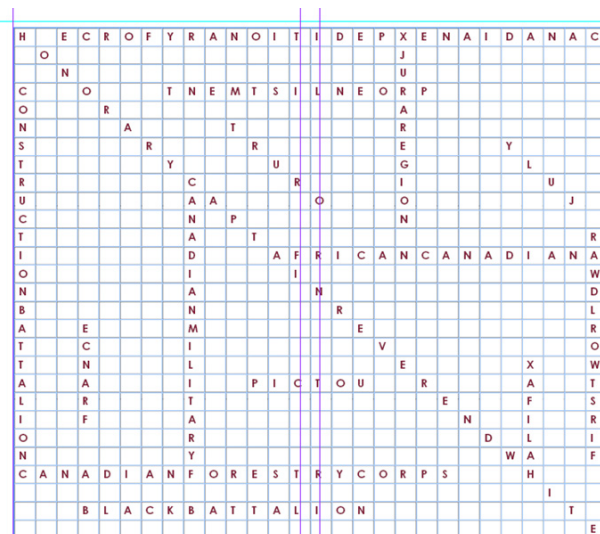
- **VIRTUAL TOURS:** Keep an eye on social media for the release of our latest virtual tour - **the King's Own Calgary Regimental History virtual tour** - on **01 April 2021**. For more information on our virtual tour programs, please [click here](#).



- **IN-MUSEUM EDUCATION PROGRAM:** Our Character of Canadian Military program is currently postponed until further notice. For more information, please [click here](#).

- The Hong Kong Veterans Commemorative Association is presenting a one-hour Zoom talk on **The Captain Was a Doctor - a biography of POW Dr. John Reid** on **22 March 2021** at 1930 hrs (EST). To register, please [click here](#).

### February 2021 Answer Key:



### QUESTIONS/ COMMENTS?

We would love to hear from you! Please send any comments, questions or suggestions by emailing: [contact@valourcanada.ca](mailto:contact@valourcanada.ca).

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