PAMA Exhibition Highlights

Our Voices exhibition was a collaboration between five local elementary and secondary schools (Glenhaven Senior Public School, Glenforest Secondary School, Dixie Public School, Brisdale Public School, Jefferson Public School) and five different youth groups (Conversation Club, Syrian Refugees, Newcomers After School, Newcomer Art Program for Newcomers and Syrian Refugees, Black Community Advisory Council Teen Mentoring Program) focused on topics such as self, belonging, home and self-identity in partnership with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Peel.

Refuge Canada exhibition, developed by the Museum of Immigration at Pier 21 included PAMA connections to Peel Newcomer partners across Brampton, Caledon and Mississauga. PAMA was the first stop for this Canadian Museum of Immigration tour and welcomed more than 2000 visitors during its three-month span. Hundreds of responses about the importance of immigration and immigrants in Canadian societies were generated by visitors. The Refuge Canada exhibition also resulted in PAMA connecting with three Regional youth and adult newcomer organizations to develop an exhibition for 2021. The planned exhibition will be co-curated with the PAMA Museum team and newcomer/refugee artists primarily from Mississauga.

Walk Friendly Neighbourhood exhibition was created in partnership with Peel Public Health. This exhibit featured a fitness circuit along the perimeter of PAMA's front lawn and provided many opportunities for interaction with Peel residents during key events. Digital content created to support the exhibit showcased visitors participating in the Walk Friendly challenge and collectively saw over 22,500 web views. Though the stair counters only provide an estimate of how many individuals used the stairs at PAMA, they are indicative of people viewing the exhibit with over 2,000 counts of stair use being measured.

Trash Talk: Local Action, Global Change exhibition was created in partnership with Peel Public Works and Waste Management. This partnership produced an educational collaboration in which over 500 students participated in onsite tours and activities facilitated by PAMA and Waste Education teams. In addition to the regional partnership, PAMA partnered with local organizations such as Value Village, Repair Café, Recycling Council of Ontario and Second Harvest resulting in great exhibition features as well as special events and programming. Components and graphics from this exhibit will be used in the new Region of Peel Waste Management Education Centre.

The Sakhis of Guru Nanak exhibition, celebrating the 550th anniversary of Guru Nanak the founder of Sikhism was guest curator B.S. Marwah. Generous financial sponsorship from the Friends of Sikh Studies provided complimentary access to over 1700 attendees. The exhibition generated visits from local Khalsa school groups and dignitaries, including Senator Marwah, MP Navdeep Bains, and MPP Gurratan Singh.