



# NORTH SHORE CULTURAL HERITAGE TOURS



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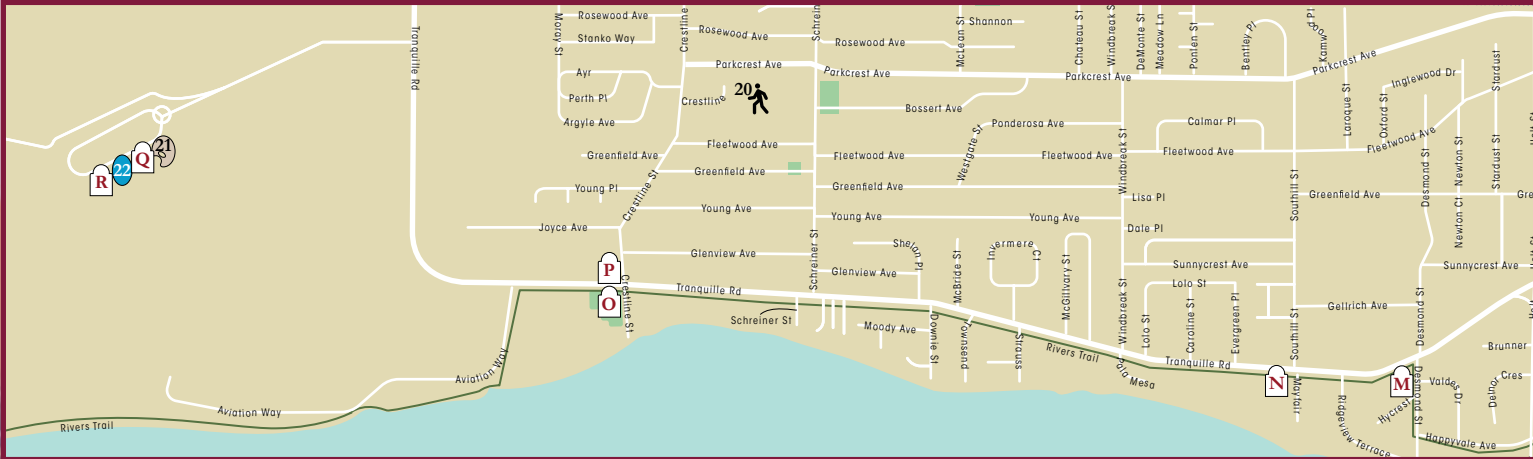
The North Shore Tours were created by the Kamloops Heritage Commission to reveal the cultural heritage of the North Shore. Two tours have been developed to provide a self-guided look at some of the historical, cultural, artistic & other points of interest. As your starting point, step inside Wilson House (115 Tranquille Rd.) home of the North Shore Business Improvement Association, to view fabulous vintage photographs in the Heritage Room.

Then  
*Walk, Bike, or Drive*



## NORTH SHORE CULTURAL HERITAGE TOUR #1

- A. **White Bridge (1901-1925) & Black Bridge (1925-1972), Wilson House 115 Tranquille Rd**  
While many residents know about the Black Bridge that stood on the concrete pillars, can you locate where the White Bridge crossed the river?
- B. **Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church, 109 Tranquille Rd**  
The construction of this church was the proud work of a tightknit community.
- C. **Fort Kamloops, Pedestrian walkway on Tranquille Rd overpass**  
The Hudson Bay Company learned an important lesson here - never build on a flood plain!
- D. **North Kamloops Community Hall, Palm St & Tranquille Rd**  
Have you ever heard of "Boots at the Swan," "The Pink and Blue Bonnett" or the North Kamloops Follies?
- E. **Liberal/Elks Hall, Royal Ave. & Palm St**  
Although many good times took place in the Hall, the building could not withstand the test of time.
- F. **St. George's Anglican Church, 308 Royal Ave**  
Do you know what a lych gate arch is or the meaning of "Shekinah"?
- G. **Alexandra Park, McDonald Park entrance**  
Take yourself back to 1901 when this park's activities included horse races, polo, farm exhibits and May Day celebrations.
- H. **McArthur Island, Sports Centre**  
From barren sand dunes and cattle pasture, the island is now the focal point for the Tournament Capital of Canada.
- I. **BC Fruitlands Company, 75 Tranquille Rd**  
How did this Company become the foundation stone of the North Shore?
- J. **Fruitlands School, 675 Tranquille Rd**  
What made this elementary school so popular? Did it have a great playground or just fond memories?
- K. **Town of North Kamloops, 703-707 Tranquille Rd**  
Did you know that North Kamloops was first a village and then an independent town?
- L. **Japanese Canadian Association, 160 Vernon Ave**  
Why did the Japanese Canadian population in Kamloops rise dramatically after World War II?



- Heritage Plaque
- Cultural Heritage Plaque
- Building with Washroom
- Public Art
- Cultural Interest
- Recreation
- Rivers Trail

### HERITAGE PLAQUES, PUBLIC ART & OTHER POINTS OF INTEREST

1. **Wilson House Heritage Room, 115 Tranquille Road**
2. **Grube Educational Centre, 245 Kitchener Cres**
3. **Overlander Beach Park**
4. **Fort House, 300 Fortune Drive, Built on Fort Kamloops land in 1907**
5. **Overlanders Memorial and Plaque at Schubert Drive Rotary lookout**
6. **Carved Yellow Cedar Poles Sculpture by Giles Kent at Schubert Drive Rotary Lookout**
7. **Rivers Trails, Along North Thompson and Thompson Rivers**
8. **Samuel Sydney Scott House, 189 Royal Avenue**
9. **Tom Bones House, 328 Royal Avenue**
10. **McDonald Park**
11. **McArthur Island Nature Trail**
12. **McArthur Island Skateboard Park**
13. **McArthur Island Sports Centre - Tournament Capital of Canada**
14. **Freud's Ceiling by Cameron Kerr, McArthur Island Sports Centre**
15. **Spirit Square, McKenzie Ave & Yew St**
16. **Stagehouse Theatre, 422 Tranquille Road**
17. **North Kamloops Library**
18. **Sikh Temple & Cultural Society, 700 Cambridge Street**
19. **Big Little Science Centre, 655 Holt Street**
20. **Brocklehurst Park**
21. **Indigenous Art & Artifacts, Airport Arrival Lobby**
22. **"Moose" Fulton Squadron History Display, Airport Arrival Lobby**

## NORTH SHORE CULTURAL HERITAGE TOUR #2

- M. **Brocklehurst Community Hall, 1805 Tranquille Rd**  
Do you remember who was the primary promoter of social, cultural and athletic activities in this neighbourhood?
- N. **Brocklehurst, Tranquille Rd & Southill/Mayfair St**  
Who was more important to the area - the remittance man, Ernest Brocklehurst, BC Fruitlands or the hard working residents?
- O. **Brocklehurst Immigrants, Crestline St -south of Tranquille Rd**  
This is a tale common to many immigrants to Canada who endured hardship but built a thriving community.
- P. **Brocklehurst School, Crestline St - north of Tranquille Rd**  
Starting from a run-down cabin, it became a standard elementary school and a social centre for all types of events.
- Q. **Kamloops Airport, Airport Terminal Lobby**  
How would you like to land on a rough alfalfa seeded landing strip? That is how it all started.
- R. **James Chamberlin, Airport Terminal lobby**  
His glory was partially shot down by the cancellation of the Avro Arrow project but he went on to become famous.



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*Thank you  
for touring North Shore  
Culture & Heritage.*

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and their stories.*

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