# Tom Thomson 100th Anniversary Celebration



## Overview

Throughout 2012-2017 the Town of Huntsville, The Township of Lake of Bays and Algonquin Provincial Park will be celebrating the 100 year anniversary of the life of Tom Thomson in our area.



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## **Event Tent**



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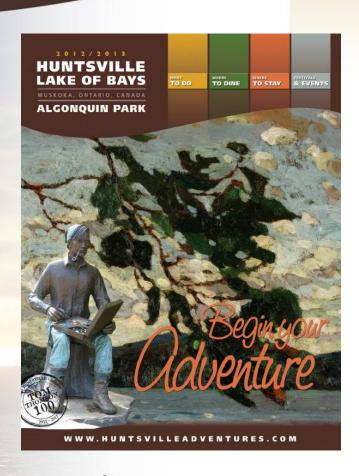
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## Activity to date

- Through the Lens of Tom Thomson Photography workshops in Algonquin Park with instructor Debbie Bradley
- Film North 2012 'Algonquin'
- Algonquin Blog www.algonquinblog.com
- Nuit Blanche North 'Big Tom'
- The Art Space Canadian Spirit
- Downtown Huntsville BIA 2012 Adventure Planner & Website
- Group of Seven Outdoor Gallery 2012 Outdoor Gallery Guide
- Huntsville/Lake of Bays Chamber of Commerce 2012 Visitors Guide
- Town of Huntsville Leisure Guide



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Huntsville/Lake of Bays Chamber of Commerce Visitors Guide





### A Glimpse of What Was

MARCH 9, 2013 BY ALGONQUIN BLOG . LEAVE A COMMENT

Back in 1917, probably not much later in the year than this, <u>Tom Thomson</u> started making his last trek into <u>Algonquin Park</u>. Back then there were no cell phones, internet, computers, voice mail, or even phone lines really. There was just the regular mail and telegraphs in the park. However something astonishing happened last year in the world of twitter. Thomson emerged from the misty lakes of <u>Canoe Lake</u> and started tweeting. He tweeted his thoughts, his art, but mostly a glimpse into his very private and unknown life.

Thomson tweets specifically about his last spring in Algonquin Park. There have been a ton of followers and interest but whats captured and captivated me was the chance to interact with the famous Canadian artist. As mentioned in a few of my posts lasts summer there are 7 possible fates that were wildly discussed in twitterverse. These fates vary from murder by a few people to suicide and accidental drowning. Joining Thomson in exploring the mystery is his lover and possible mother to his child (still speculated not yet proven) is Winnie Trainor.

Follow along as he and Winnie rise from the mist and engage us all in solving one of the greatest Canadian mysteries! Also keep an eye on my site because as events within the Algonquin area come up I will post and advertise them as we celebrate 100 years of Thomson in the area.

To follow Tom and Winnie on twitter:

Tom Thomson Last Spring: <u>@ttlastspring</u>
Winnie Trainor: <u>@winnietrainor</u>

~Enjoy your Trip!







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Big Tom Marc Walter Town Docks

The year 2012 marks the 100th year anniversary of Tom Thomson's first trip to Algonquin Park. In celebration, landscape artist Marc Walter will create a 25ft tall sculpture of Tom Thomson with branches and other natural objects. With canoe in tow, Tom will float along the Muskoka River, a beacon of Huntsville's past and a call to celebrate its identity. Come experience it for yourself

And be sure to arrive at the Town Docks at 8pm to witness Tom's arrival. Marc Walter will also be on the Town Docks for the week preceding Nuit Blanche North. All are welcome to help build the statue, and see the artist at work.

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Nuit Blanche North → 'Big Tom'









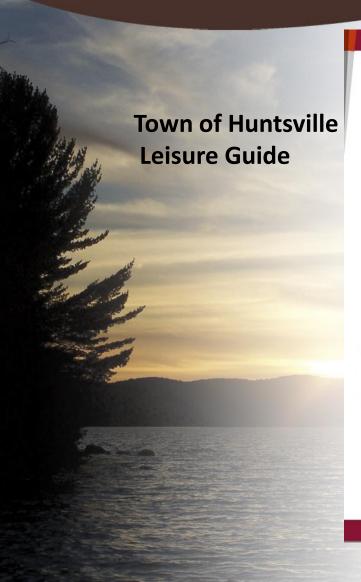
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Downtown Huntsville BIA's website & Downtown Adventure Planner





#### Arts, Culture & Heritage

#### **Tom Thomson 100th Anniversary Celebration**

In 1912, a young Canadian painter named Tom Thomson was introduced to Huntsville, Muskoka and Algonquin

Tom Thomson's visual interpretation of our area as majestic, dominant, dynamic and vibrant says much about the man and what moved him. The art of Tom Thomson and the future Group of Seven painters has informed how the world sees Canada, and continues to influence us as Canadians: our emotional response to Musikoka's landscape, geography, environment, natural heritage and spirited human culture.

Never static, never predictable, never ho-hum or samesame mundane, Huntaville and area celebrate the 100th anniversary of Tom Thomson's time in Huntsville from 1912 to 1917 with installations and events which can only be more creatively inspired by your participation.

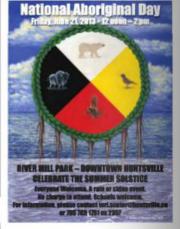
Help us celebrate the 100th anniversary from 2012 to 2017 of five years that forever charged how the world sees us and how we see ourselves.

For a full listing of activities planned so far, or to see if your project could benefit from our Tom Thomson 100 community identification, please visit www.huntsvilleadventures.com Tom Thomson, or contact Terri Tebby, 705 789 4771 terri@huntsvillelakeofbays.on.ca

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