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New Exhibit Opening – *Women on the Homefront*

RICHMOND, BC – The Gulf of Georgia Cannery National Historic Site is pleased to announce the new feature exhibit: ***Women on the Homefront: Women's Contributions during World War II***. Opening April 9, 2016, the exhibit commemorates and honours the hard work and sacrifices women made during the war for the sake of their country and future generations.

With thousands of Canadian men overseas, it was the women of Canada who harvested the crops, kept factories running, looked after the children, and raised money for the war. *Women on the Homefront* explores the fascinating contributions made by women toward the war effort, with a particular focus on the impact of their work in Canada's west coast canneries and in their homes.

The new exhibit invites visitors of all ages to do their part for the war effort. Try on a uniform and join the workforce, explore ration-conscious sugar free baking recipes, sit and knit, sort and recycle, or plant a row of vegetables in a 'Victory Garden'. Wander through the different 'vignettes' of life at home and work during the war years. Reminisce, share or listen to the stories of this important part of Canadian history.

The exhibit is supported by the Province of British Columbia's Community Gaming Program, and Parks Canada. The feature exhibit will show daily from April 9, 2016 to Spring 2017.

The Gulf of Georgia Cannery National Historic Site of Canada is operated by the non-profit Gulf of Georgia Cannery Society, on behalf of Parks Canada.

Location: 12138 Fourth Avenue at Moncton, Richmond (Steveston Village).

Hours: Open daily, year round from 10am-5pm. **Call 604-664-9009 for details.**

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