

Peace Museum launches web archive, preserves two peace websites



Bancroft, ON, 11 April 2026 - The Canadian Peace Museum has launched its web archive, preserving two peace-related websites. In January 2026, the museum was contacted by Michael Cooke of the Kingston, Ontario based PeaceQuest. Cooke explained that the current hosts of the PeaceQuest archive and the website *War And Children* were at risk of being lost, as the current hosts were going through a restructure, which would see the end of their hosting.

- Link to archive: <https://canadianpeacemuseum.ca/web-archive>

As per the *PeaceQuest* website “PeaceQuest was started in 2012 on the heels of the Canadian government spending tens of millions to celebrate the War of 1812 as a glorious struggle. A group of people in Kingston, Ontario decided to offer a different story of Canada and war as we mark the centenary of World War One. PeaceQuest seeks to commemorate World War One by organizing events that emphasize peace – a value that, we believe, Canadians cherish.”

The *War and Children* website was created by Judi Wyatt, Linda Dale, and Julia Krolik and was designed as a free-to-use resource, a digital museum, and a curriculum resource for teachers.

The Canadian Peace Museum team is keen to protect these resources and make them widely available to our growing constituency. The acquisition of these valuable resources offered us a unique opportunity to lay a foundation for our digital presence. This work will go hand in hand with the ongoing major investments we are making in renovating our building in Bancroft, Ontario. As the Canadian Peace Museum, we are committed to making our resources as widely available as possible.

Quotes from PeaceQuest

“I’ve been involved in the peace movement for over forty years and had the good fortune to help launch Project Ploughshares in the 1970s. I was also part of the talented group who led the PeaceQuest initiative from 2015 to 2020 to mark the 100th anniversary of the First World War. Over the lifetime of the PeaceQuest project, we engaged thousands of Canadians across the country in reflecting on what it means to remember war. We also created a rich body of resources including the War and Children website to help peace groups and activists find creative ways of tackling these difficult subjects.”

“The PeaceQuest elders are deeply grateful to the Canadian Peace Museum who have agreed to protect and curate these resources and make them easily accessible to educators, researchers and peacemakers on their website --- a powerful example of how the Canadian Peace Museum will be a catalyst for peacemaking long into the future.”

Michael Cooke Ph.D., Founding Member & Chair Emeritus, PeaceQuest

About the Canadian Peace Museum

The Canadian Peace Museum is a federally registered charitable organization that is currently fundraising to complete the renovations of an 8,000 sq-ft premises in rural Bancroft, Ontario. The museum will inform the public about the history of peace making in Canada and the factors that influence peace globally, including a healthy planet, well functioning democracy, good relations with neighbours, and a fair and inclusive society.

- Website: <https://canadianpeacemuseum.ca/>
- Link for photos and recent news about the museum: <https://canadianpeacemuseum.ca/news-%26-media>

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