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The Canadian way of life is being presented this May in Birmingham, England, in a program of 60 art, trade, business tourism and educational events. The month-long *Canada in Birmingham* program, is being sponsored by the Canadian federal and provincial governments.



As part of the program, a series of business related events were scheduled to promote trade and investment opportunities in Canada.

The Canada-United Kingdom Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Canadian High Commission, held a Canadian business opportunities luncheon with Canada's High Commissioner Jean Casselman-Wadds as guest speaker. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce and Canadian provincial governments were also available to discuss investment and trade with Canada. In addition, representatives of private companies and the Canadian food industry also participated in business events and a Canadian contact seminar was held.

Science demonstrations

The Ontario government sent its Ontario Science Circus to take part in the program. The Circus, which was booked for two weeks, comprised exhibits, workshops and scientific demonstrations from the Ontario Science Centre. It is designed to be an educational and fun experience for

children and adults alike.

The visit to Birmingham is the first to be made by the Science Circus outside North America. The Circus will also be presented at the Science Museum in London in June. Most of the exhibits demand some action by visitors: it may be a push button, muscle power or tests of perception and ability. Games or contests that pit visitor against machine are an entertaining part of the Science Circus.

Cultural activities

Canada in Birmingham includes more than 25 cultural activities covering art displays, concerts, a film festival, lectures and seminars.

Showings by Canadian artists and craftsmen form the largest ever simultaneous presentation of Canadian arts and crafts in a British city. The presentation includes: *The Neil Newton Retrospective Exhibition*; solo exhibitions at the Ikon Gallery by David Craven (paintings), Ian Carr-Harris (sculpture), Nancy Johnson (drawings), Ian Murray (sound installation) and Irene Whittome (installation); *Newfoundland Mat Making*; *Saskatchewan Printmakers*; *British Columbia presents...*; *Exhibition from Alberta*; *Artists Stamps and Stamp Images*; *Courthouses in Ontario*; *the Arctic Islands Centennial Exhibition*; *Dialogue* and *Winter Kaleidoscope*.

Canadian musicians are providing 16 concerts during Canada month in Birmingham. Concerts are being presented by: folksinger Gordon Lightfoot, soprano Marcia Swantson, bass-baritone Donald Bell, the Robert-Marcotte-Gray Trio; organist Raymond Daveluy, the Canadian Brass; and jazz group Fraser and Friends.

Study centre named

As part of the educational events, Mrs. Casselman-Wadds designated Birmingham University as a Regional Canadian Study Centre. It is the third British university to be recognized, the others being Edinburgh and Leeds.

The university has a long-standing

Eighty years ago this week...

Sea Captain John Claus Voss set out May 21, 1901, in his Nootkan Indian dugout canoe, *Tilikum*, on a 40,000-mile voyage to sail to England. Voss reached Margate, England on September 2, 1904 — three years, three months and 12 days after leaving Victoria. For this unparalleled feat he was elected a fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. The *Tilikum*, is on display in Thunderbird Park in Victoria.

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