
20 OBJECTS EXHIBITION

2021 marks the 15th Anniversary of Touchstones at 502 Vernon Street. However, the museum service goes back much further and has seen many different incarnations, names and locations since the Kootenay Museums Association was formed in 1955. Over the years the museum's artifact collection and archives have developed and grown to capture many different aspects of local history. Hardly a week goes by where we do not add a donation to the collection. Recent acquisitions have included School District 8 records, building plans from Fairbank Architects, articles from Mount St Francis Hospital and the transfer of the Nelson Sports Museum Collection. Our archives now hold close to 7,000 artifacts, more than 75,0000 photos and negatives, 18,000 obituaries and over half a million pages from local newspapers.

To mark our anniversary we decided to ask twenty people with a long time association with the museum service to choose one object from our collection to feature in this exhibition. Here are their choices....

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