

## PEI Provincial Heritage Fair – Sample Topics for Student Projects

Theme	Specific Examples
Industries	Agriculture, fishing, shipbuilding, silver fox farming, seed potato, tourism, organic farming, horse racing, beekeeping
Family histories	Sheppard, Yeo, Tweel, Arsenault, Bernard, Martin or Carpenter (and their relation to the Bog community in Charlottetown), Sark, Francis, Haddad, Ghiz, Dow, personal genealogies
Community histories	Bedeque, Tignish, Tyne Valley, Georgetown, Summerside, Victoria-By-The-Sea, Cardigan, Montague
Museums	Garden of the Gulf, Wyatt Heritage Properties, provincial museum sites
Events	Confederation, Yankee Gale, Gold Cup and Saucer race, Charlottetown Festival, Acadian deportation, Tyne Valley Oyster Festival
Politics and politicians	Peace & Friendship Treaties, lieutenant governors, premiers, MLAs, PEI's Famous Five, Catherine Callbeck, Dorothy Corrigan, Frances Perry, Chief John T. Sark
Law	Minnie McGee trial, chief justices, suffrage, Patterson's 1781 Act, Emancipation Day, marriage equality, Chinese Exclusion Act
Places	Greenwich, Province House, Skmaqn-Port-La-Joye-Fort Amherst, Ardgowan, North Cape
Lighthouses and keepers	Sarah MacKinnon, Maisie Adams, West Point, Point Prim, Wood Islands
Folklore	Storytelling, phantom ship, fairies
Music	Stompin' Tom, Larry Gorman, Gene McLellan, fiddling, Anne (the Musical)
Medicine	Mid-wives, Georgina Pope, hospitals, Falconwood, Dr. Eliza Mackenzie, Dr. Roddie, Lettie MacKinnon (Orwell, maternity hospital), Dalton Sanatorium
Transportation	Heritage rivers, Strait crossing, Confederation Bridge, ferries, ice boats, railway
Education	1852 Free Education Act, residential schools, day-schools, one-room schools, teachers, Prince of Wales College, UPEI, St. Dunstan's, West Kent School (Bog community)
Women's organizations:	Women's Institute - founding members, branches (Victoria, Belfast), Adelaide Hoodless Hunter; Imperial Order of the Daughters of Empire, Women's Liberal Club, Benevolent Irish Society Women's Auxiliary
Churches	St. Dunstan's, cemeteries, All Souls Chapel, St. Mary's Indian River, St. Paul's, Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church, the history of the first _____ (first mosque, first Buddhist Temple, etc)
Newspapers	The Guardian, Journal-Pioneer, Royal Gazette, L'impartial, La Voix Acadienne, the Examiner
Land issues	Absentee landlords, Samuel Holland, lot system, Land Purchase Act 1875, Charlotte Sullivan, Robert Stewart, quit

	rents and tenant farmers, the Belfast Riot, Selkirk Settlers
Art	Quilting, tatting, sewing, specific painters (Fanny Bayfield, Kerras Jeffery, Elaine Harrison, Robert Harris, Erica Rutherford), Patricia Bourque, Melissa Peter Paul
Professions	Blacksmith, shoemaker, printer, tanner
The peoples of PEI	Acadian, Mi'kmaq, Irish, Scottish, Black Islanders, Chinese Islanders, Loyalists
Natural history	Fossils, Piping Plover Programme, past and present wildlife, climate change, invasive species
Companies/local businesses	Cows, Seaman's Beverages, Rogers Hardware, IWMC, Schurman's, Holmans, Canton's (Charlottetown), 1 <sup>st</sup> generation immigrant businesses, Frances Carpenter's Candy Shop (Bog community)
Commerce	Farmers Bank in Rustico, Credit Union
Inventors and inventions	Thomas Hall, Watson Duchemin, automobile, George Howlan
Authors	L.M. Montgomery, Milton Acorn, Deirdre Kessler, Brent MacLaine, Lucy Gertrude Clarkin
Architecture/urban planning/housing	Historic buildings, building styles, street names, tools or building materials, home furnishing
Provincial symbols	Bird, flower, coat of arms
Sports and sports heroes	Michael Thomas, George "Budge" Byers, George Godfrey, hockey, bobsled, Special Olympics, Buck Whitlock, Eli MacEachern, Rick Vaive, Gerard Gallant, Brad Richards, Doug MacLean, Heather Moyse, West End Rangers, Summerside Capitals
Prohibition	Nellie J. Banks, Clovie Perry, Temperance Leagues, Temperance restaurants
Wars	1812, WWI and II, Vietnam, Korea, Desert Storm, Afghanistan, American Civil War, Boer War, Bosnia, Vietnam
Catastrophes	Major fires, epidemics, pandemics, natural disasters
Communication	Telephone, telegraph line, early mail, telephone companies, radio transmission or first broadcast, CFCY
Immigration	Patterns of immigration, official immigration policies, multiculturalism, specific individuals relating to immigration (Louisa Maria Hooper, Jim Hoe, etc)