





2018 marks the hundred-year anniversary of the shooting death of **Albert 'Ginger' Goodwin**, one of the most well-known labour activists in the history of our country. The Cumberland Museum and Archives plans to pay tribute through participatory art and music projects, an exhibit 'Goodwin's Reach', a symposium, workshops, the re-enactment of Goodwin's funeral procession down Dunsmuir Avenue, and other engaging programming throughout **Miners Memorial, June 22 to 24, 2018**. We aim to bring to light the story of Albert 'Ginger' Goodwin and the on-going fight for labour rights, both historically and within a contemporary context, to a wide audience.

# **HIGHLIGHTS for FRIDAY, June 22**

Workshops, presentations, walking tours, and hands-on art activities during the day.

**2:00 to 3:30 -** An engaging talk covering themes and specific events from BC labour history. With Dr. Mark Leier (SFU Department of History) and guests. This talk is open to all.

**4:00 to 5:30** - An interactive workshop allowing participants to closely examine moments from BC's labour history and work on strategies to bring lessons learned into the present day. Dr. Mark Leier (SFU Department of History) and guests. Limited seats. Pre-registration required.

Talk and Workshop sponsored by BCGEU, CUPW, and SFU Department of History.

**4:00 to 5:30 – WALK IN MY SHOES, THE GINGER GOODWIN STORY:** On July 27, 1918 Albert 'Ginger' Goodwin was shot and killed near the Cruickshank River at the head of Comox Lake. This guided walking tour tells the story of why and how he died by highlighting the people and places in Cumberland that were a part of Goodwin's story. Leaves from the Cumberland Museum and Archives. By Donation.



**7:00 - SONGS OF THE WORKERS:** This Friday Night tradition welcomes local and visiting musicians to share songs and poems in the working class tradition. Labour standards, old songs, new songs, songs of work, struggle, triumph and revolution! This cabaret style event serves up locally brewed beer, Riders Pizza, and fantastic company! By Donation.

# **HIGHLIGHTS for SATURDAY, June 23**

Pancake breakfast, graveside vigil, the re-creation of the funeral procession, programming and BBQ at Cumberland Village Park, evening entertainment.

**8:30 to 10:30 PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** By donation, sponsored by the BCGEU Cross Component Committee.

#### 11:00 to 1:30 GRAVESIDE VIGILS:

The morning graveside vigil at the Cumberland Cemetery features speakers, music, the laying of fair trade flowers on Ginger Goodwin's grave, and a rose ceremony on the graves of all the fallen miners. **Unions, families, businesses and individuals can all support the event by ordering a bouquet to have laid in their name.** The morning continues with visits to the Japanese and Chinese cemeteries to pay respects to fallen miners and their families.





# 4:00 to 7:30 - RE-ENACTMENT OF GINGER GOODWIN'S FUNERAL PROCESSION and PROGRAMMING IN CUMBERLAND VILLAGE PARK:

This iconic photograph taken in 1918 paints a vivid picture. Friends, neighbours, and fellow workers both shocked and outraged did not go to work, but rather gathered on Dunsmuir Avenue to form a procession over a mile long to walk Goodwin's body to his final resting place. The procession was led by a brass band and Goodwin's casket was carried by mourners.

The re-enactment of Albert Goodwin's funeral procession early evening Saturday, will be the pivotal event of the weekend. Performers will head the procession along with a brass band all in period costume. Union members, workers and families, artists, activists, and community members will march down Dunsmuir Avenue to Cumberland Village Park where historical quotes, newspaper articles, poetry and song will be shared from the stage. **Live music and a BBQ by donation** will follow. All are invited.

#### 8:30 (Doors) GEOFF BERNER:

Clever and literate, Berner's songs can make you want to weep, laugh, grind your teeth, or kick out a window--often all at the same time. His writing can be overtly political, overtly left wing, leaning towards anarchy, but free of easy slogans or clichés. As a musician, Berner is mainly known as a practitioner of the "klezmer-punk" style, which combines the traditional folk music of Eastern European Jews with punk's aggressive energy and disdain for slick perfection. The new album Canadiana Grotesquica is a brief departure. Berner describes it as a "country-tinged singer-songwriter affair." Ticketed Event.

# **HIGHLIGHTS for SUNDAY, June 24**

**10:00 to Noon – 'BREAKFAST IN GINGER'S LIVING MUSEUM':** Join the Cumberland Museum and Archives and friends for an old fashioned skillet breakfast of red flannel hash, with a serving of creativity! Enjoy samples of works, and learn about the creative process, from artists and community members who have been inspired to share Goodwin's story. A living museum of film, song, theatre, and more. Registered Event.



**HERITAGE THEATRE:** TheatreWorks has a long history of bringing Labour History to life through their productions. A matinee on Sunday afternoon features the story of Albert 'Ginger' Goodwin. By donation.

**FURTHER PROGRAMMING** - including the pop up community labour choir participation, hands on art experiences, and more, can be found online at **cumberlandmuseum.ca** 

### REGISTRATION OPENS MID-FEBRUARY.

# **GET INVOLVED!**

- Promote our event in your union's publications
- Sign up for updates and invite us to speak at your events
- Purchase a bouquet to lay in your unions name (a representative can do this on your unions behalf if you are unable to attend)
- Contact us to discuss sponsorship opportunities with exciting perks
- Make plans to join us!

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**CUMBERLAND LAKE PARK:** Located on the shores of Comox Lake and offering a food concession, swimming, campsites and RV sites. 250 336 8593. For alternative accommodations and more, visit cumberlandbc.info