

Joe LaFlamme 2.0



Happy Valentine's Day!

Joe LaFlamme's Hats and Names

When Joe LaFlamme started traveling with his wolves, he also started wearing his signature costume. The emerald green pull-over style coat was made from a Hudson's Bay Company point blanket and was trimmed with fur. Joe also wore a multicoloured sash or fur-trader's belt, known as the French Canadian *ceinture fléchée*. A wolf-fur hat completed his touring outfit.



Photo courtesy of the Gogama Chamber of Commerce

Joe has not only changed hats, he also changed his name. In the biography of *Wolf Man Joe LaFlamme : Tamer Untamed*, the author relates that Joe's birth name was Téséphore Laflamme. Circa 1917, he took on the name of his older brother who was a farmer, a line of work which exempted him from having to go to war. Then, sometime in the 1920s, Joe started signing his family name with a capital 'F', giving the Wolf Man more prestige.

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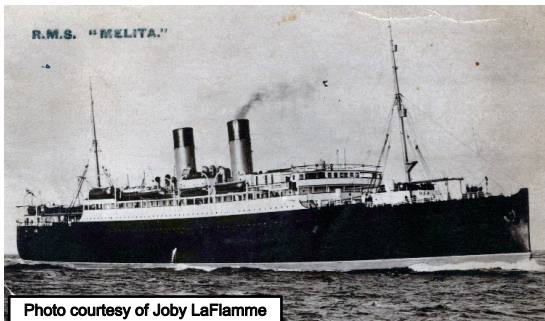


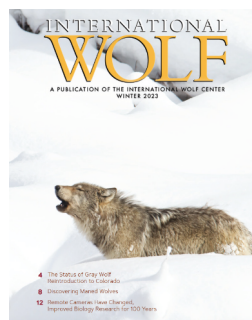
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Find out why in our next cartoon story coming out on February 28, 2024.



A Unique Wolf Exhibit at the Canadian Museum of Nature

The Canadian Museum of Nature, in Ottawa, Ontario, opened in the spring of 2023, a superb bilingual exhibit on wolves. Titled *Wolves: Shapeshifters in a Changing World*, the exhibit provides insight on the real wolf with the intent of dispelling myths about this misunderstood creature. The themes touch on the domestication of wolves by humans, research on the evolution of this canid species through the ages, its influence in the cultural world as well as the Indigenous perception of the wolf. Punctuating the exhibit are magnificent photos of wolves by Michelle Valberg. Be sure to take in this wonderful exhibit which has been extended until September 2, 2024.



Suzanne wrote about the exhibit in the International Wolf magazine published by the International Wolf Center, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. You can read the article in *Wolves of the World*, under 'Canada', third column.

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