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The House of Commons' 2021 Poppy Campaign

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The Honourable Anthony Rota, Speaker of the House of Commons, announced today that, in keeping with its proud tradition, the House of Commons is again participating in the [Poppy Campaign](#) organized by the Royal Canadian Legion. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Remembrance Poppy in Canada.

Wearing the poppy honours Canadian veterans, shows respect for the military, and pays tribute to those who fell defending the freedoms we enjoy today.

In honour of Remembrance Day, the Poppy Drop—a virtual display of falling poppies—will be projected onto the Peace Tower every evening from October 29 to November 10, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., and on November 11 from 6:30 p.m. to midnight. In total, 117,000 poppies will appear on the Peace Tower to represent all the lives lost in service to Canada.

This evening at 6:30 p.m., the Dominion Carillonneur will play “The Last Post” to begin the campaign. Her performance will be streamed live on the [Royal Canadian Legion’s Facebook page](#) and [ourcommons.ca](#).

The Dominion Carillonneur will also play live recitals on November 11:

Time	
9:50 a.m. to 10:10 a.m.	Prior to the ceremony at the National War Memorial
11:45 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Following the ceremony at the National War Memorial

To listen to the recitals, visit the Peace Tower Carillon’s [Daily Program](#) web page and click on **Listen on ParlVU**. As these performances are live, audio streaming is available only when a recital is scheduled.

With the Parliament Building closed, the Books of Remembrance have been moved to the Room of Remembrance in the Visitor Welcome Centre in West Block. The Books of Remembrance contain the names of all those who sacrificed their lives defending Canada. The pages are turned every morning at eleven o’clock in a solemn ceremony, which allows every page of each book to appear at least once in the course of a year.

This year, mindful of the safety precautions in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Royal Canadian Legion is encouraging people who choose to donate and pick up a poppy at a traditional donation box to follow local health and safety protocols, such as using hand sanitizer before and after handling products. Poppy donation boxes will be placed at entrances and throughout buildings in the parliamentary precinct. Those who wish to donate from home can do so [online](#).

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