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*An Evening with Finnish Studies*

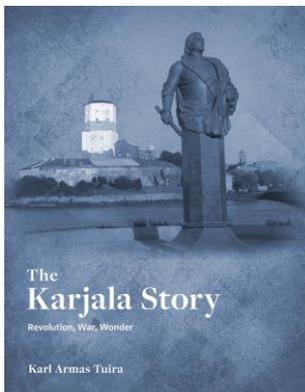
## “THE KARJALA STORY: REVOLUTION, WAR, WONDER”

– A human viewpoint of the political, military and cultural history of Karjala (and Finland)

Delivered by Karl Tuira

The lecture discusses the history of Karjala (and Finland), from Kalevala Prehistory to the Continuation War and returning “Home” to Karjala. It will weave historical facts with family lore, family memoirs, original manuscripts, military diaries, photos, and excerpts from classical as well as less known Finnish books.

As Karjala was an integral part of Finland, the presentation is an outline of Finnish history; and as Karjala was the battleground between Finland and Russia it is a military history. It is also a cultural history looking at the epic and enchanting history of Karjala from a human perspective. The talk is based on the 5 years of research Tuira did for his book, “The Karjala Story: Revolution, War, Wonder” (2017).



**Karl (Kaarlo) Tuira** is an author and historian born in Finland. His parents were from Viipuri and the farm countryside near Ihantala. He immigrated to Sault Ste Marie Canada with his parents in 1951. After earning a degree in History and an MBA from the University of Toronto he embarked on a world-wide career as a senior manager in the hi-tech industry.

Upon retiring he began writing books – The Karjala Story being his pride and joy. His most recent book is “The Art of Robert-Ralph Carmichael”, the designer of Canada’s iconic \$1 Loonie coin.

**Time:** Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 7 pm

**Place:** Father Madden Hall  
St. Michael’s College,  
University of Toronto  
100 St Joseph St, ON, M5S 2C4  
  
Subway: Museum  
Parking: behind Alumni Hall (across  
the street, 121 St. Joseph Street)

Everyone welcome!  
Reception with kahvi & pulla to follow.

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