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Author Talk: Allen Smutylo Presents *Gold of Another Kind: the lost Legacy of Georgian Bay*

Owen Sound, Ontario – November 17, 2025 – Governor General’s Literary Award nominee Allen Smutylo will be at the Library on Wednesday, November 26 at 7:00 pm to discuss his new book, *Gold of Another Kind – The Lost Legacy of Georgian Bay*.

Gold of Another Kind is an historical, as well as a personal account of the once staggering quality and quantity of fur bearing animals, virgin timber and multitudes of fish that once thrived in Georgian Bay waters and vicinity. Beginning in the 1600s, the unrelenting thrust of European ambition in the New World took on adventurous, bizarre, and tragic consequences. The pursuant plundering of the bay’s natural resources happened on a scale that would rival the voracity of any gold rush.

This incredible account of the resources that were once so abundant in our local area provides readers with a fascinating and immersive take on how drastically the arrival of European settlers altered the landscape that we know so well. Illustrated throughout with Smutylo’s own paintings, etchings and photographs, *Gold of Another Kind*, provides a glimpse into a way of life long lost to time, captured through the work of someone who has been a part of this area for half a century.

There is no cost to attend this event, however spaces are limited, and the library asks that you reserve a seat ahead of time. Copies of Allen Smutylo’s book will be available for purchase following the talk at the cost of \$40 each.

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