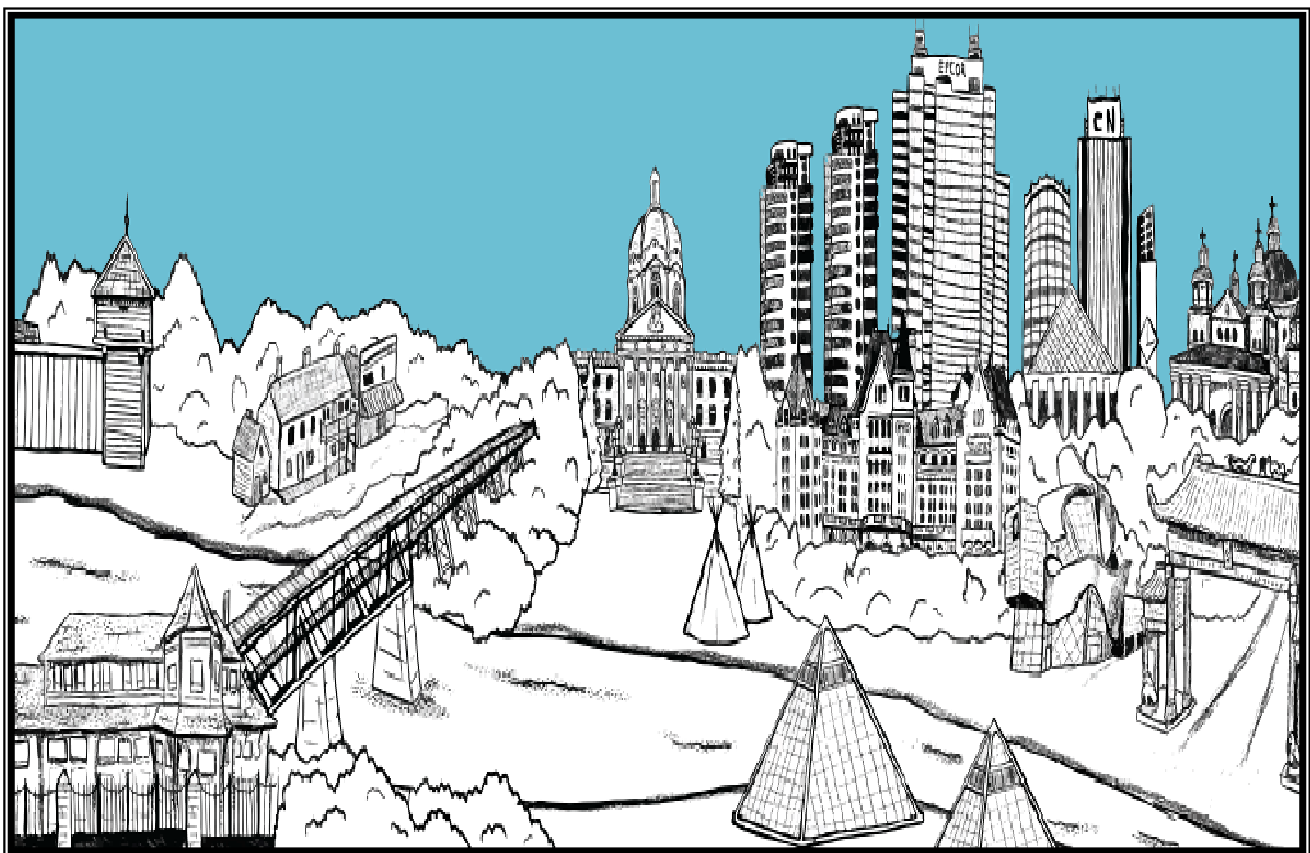


Annual Report 2013

EDMONTON HISTORICAL BOARD



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Edmonton Historical Board Mandate:

To advise City Council on matters relating to City of Edmonton historical issues and civic heritage policies.

To encourage, promote, and advocate for the preservation and safeguarding of historical properties, resources, communities, and documentary heritage

Queen Elizabeth Planetarium



Letter from the 2013 Chair

His Worship Don Iveson
And Edmonton City Councillors
Second Floor, City Hall
1 Sir Winston Churchill Square
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2R7

Dear Mayor Iveson and Councillors,

On behalf of my colleagues on the Edmonton Historical Board, I am pleased to present our 2013 *Annual Report*.

Implementation of the Annual Work Plan

The Board's annual work plan is designed to meet the mandate you gave us via *Bylaw 13601*: to encourage and promote the preservation and safeguarding of historical properties, resources, communities and documentary heritage. The 2013 plan was implemented by each of our sub-committees: the Historical Resources Review Panel (Chair: Jacquie Harman), Heritage Outreach Committee (Chair: Ann Hall), and the Plaques and Awards Committee (Chair: Tim Marriott).

In 2013, Board and Committee members invested more than 500 hours of volunteer effort to deliver on our work plan, leading to:

- 29 buildings being recommended for inclusion on the Historic Resources Inventory;
- the awarding of 6 heritage plaques and 6 recognition awards to a diverse range of honorees at our annual awards night, where we also celebrated the 75th anniversary of the creation of the Archives Committee by Mayor Fry;
- the launch of our latest outreach initiative, www.EdmontonsArchitecturalHeritage.ca, a new online educational resource that in plain language, and with local pictures and stories, explains Edmonton's architectural heritage;
- the recruitment of Edmonton's third Historian Laureate, in partnership with the Edmonton Heritage Council, who will be presented to Council in early April 2014;
- the publication of newsletters and heritage homeowner information materials designed to enhance public understanding of heritage;
- a heritage perspective being applied to support the City and related organizations in their efforts, including through our cross-appointments to the Naming Committee (Marilyn Assheton-Smith) and the Fort Edmonton Park Management Company (Darlene Fisher).

A number of administrative and process initiatives were undertaken also, including a revision to the Board's work plans to reflect the City's shift from calendar-year Board appointments to a May – April cycle; the documentation of an appeals protocol for applicants who wish to contest a recommendation of the Historical Resources Review Panel; and an aggressive outreach campaign to support the current recruitment cycle, reflecting the higher than usual turnover in Board membership this year due to the vintage of existing members, four of whom are at the end of their term limits.

The Board's achievements in 2013 were possible thanks to the continuing support provided by City of Edmonton Archivist Kathryn Ivany, the Archives staff, and our administrator Sonia Caligiuri; the work of City Heritage Planners Robert Geldart and David Holdsworth; and

Letter from the 2013 Chair (continued)

additional volunteer contributions from the external members who serve on the Board's sub-committees.

The Future of the Rossdale Generating Station and Site

On March 20, 2013, at the EHB's annual lunch with City Council, a number of Councillors inquired whether the Board had suggestions for alternative future uses of the Rossdale Generating Station, and in particular, alternatives to a large scale adaptive re-use. Based on these inquiries, and with regard to the Board's duty to advise Council on matters relating to City of Edmonton historical issues and civic heritage policies, we developed a briefing about approaches other communities have used to preserve, modify or interpret heritage industrial sites and abandoned buildings.

The EHB's briefing, *Alternatives to the Adaptive Re-Use of the Rossdale Generating Station: A Study of Industrial Heritage Parks*, was presented to Council's Executive Committee at its August 19, 2013 meeting, and can be found as Attachment 2 (http://sirepub.edmonton.ca/sirepub/view.aspx?cabinet=published_meetings&fileid=243569) in the Council Minutes for broader public reference. In the briefing, the Board provided examples of how other communities have handled the challenge of decommissioned industrial sites and structures, discussed the implications of each approach, and surveyed emerging and competing schools of thought in the heritage and landscape architecture communities.

The core concept of the briefing is that there are a range of options between demolition and adaptive re- use which can be ordered by the degree of intervention on the site. The case studies and photos described what other communities have done, and consolidated a wide range of information from previous work on the Rossdale site and buildings. The case studies were summarized into eight lessons that could guide future activity at Rossdale, along with conceptual illustrations of three potential uses of the main building exterior, and a set of inclusive heritage principles which can be referenced when site planning. We hope the Board's input is helpful to the City as you develop an approach to this historic building and site.

The State of Heritage in Edmonton: Emerging Opportunities for Leadership

Many of the recent successful developments in heritage preservation in Edmonton can be traced back to 2007, when rather than rest on our laurels as that year's Cultural Capital of Canada, then Mayor Mandel led a renewed push to say "what's needed to take arts, heritage and culture to the next level?" As a result, the *Art of Living* report was published in 2008. Coincidentally, this was the year that four of the current members (Jacqueline Harman, David Johnston, Tim Marriott, Martin Kennedy) were first appointed to the EHB.

The implementation of the *Art of Living* agenda led to the creation of our sister organization the Edmonton Heritage Council; the launch of a civic museums strategy; the appointment of Canada's first Historian Laureate; and the reinvigoration of Edmonton's Historic Resource Management Plan, work which began in 2005, was completed in 2009, and directly led to our City receiving the Prince of Wales Prize for heritage leadership. This record of achievement required the effort and leadership of dozens of citizens and city staff – but just as importantly, required leadership from the top, from the Mayor and Council, to say that "Heritage is vital to Edmonton's sense of itself and to our future." Continuing leadership from the Mayor, Council and senior administration continues to be the precondition for success.

Letter from the 2013 Chair (continued)

As we look to the future and consider emerging opportunities and challenges, there are a number of areas where new leadership could be applied to extend and add to Edmonton's existing heritage achievements.

- **Implementing innovative strategies to retain significant buildings where owners are unwilling to designate.** The recent experience with the *Arthur Davies Residence* illustrates the limited options available to the City where an owner is unwilling to designate an historic resource. At Council's direction, two actions from the City's *Historic Resources Management Plan* could be revisited to help respond to this challenge: Action 8.5 "creating a land bank where historic resources facing demolition can be relocated" and Action 8.7 "resources to enable the purchase, restoration and sale of historic resources for the specific purpose of saving the building." The latter tool in particular would provide a market-based policy approach that respects property rights, and which should be expected over time to fully or near-fully recover the City's up-front investment.
- **Increasing Municipal Heritage Designation participation rates.** Since 1995 the City has provided financial and zoning incentives to owners who participate in Municipal Heritage Designation. Support is capped at 50% of eligible residential project costs up to a maximum of \$75,000. Today there are more than 600 resources on the Historic Resources Inventory that are eligible for designation, but only about 1% of eligible resources are designated in a given year. At current participation rates, and funding levels, most of the buildings on the Inventory are likely to be lost. Council could achieve increased participation rates through leadership in three areas: (1) automatically increasing the maximum support per project, in line with inflation, to prevent erosion of the program's effectiveness and ensure it is adequate to incent designation; (2) establishing a target for participation and increasing the pool of funds available in-line with the target. For example, if Council set a target of owners designating 5% of Inventory properties (30) annually, this would imply an annual incentives funding pool of up to \$2.25 million and additional human resources to implement the increased volume of activity; (3) having established a target and improved resources, the City, the Edmonton Historical Board and the Edmonton Heritage Council could aggressively promote participation in the designation program, knowing that there were sufficient resources to respond to increased participation levels.
- **Developing new incentives for the preservation of larger-scale commercial heritage buildings.** Existing resource levels for municipal heritage programs lead to a focus on the restoration and designation of residential buildings, with occasional extension into smaller scale commercial structures (e.g. Garneau Theatre). While the City's policy is to provide rehabilitation incentives of 50% of project costs for commercial building work, the reality is that a single large commercial project would overwhelm existing budgets. Larger scale commercial buildings form a significant part of the visual fabric and heritage of the City. Recent conversations at the provincial level suggest a growing awareness of the challenge of commercial heritage designation, and an openness to consider new incentives (such as provincial tax credits) that would preserve the architectural integrity of these buildings. There is an opportunity for the City of Edmonton to participate in the development of these ideas in partnership with other municipalities.

Letter from the 2013 Chair (continued)

- **Removing barriers to heritage designation in the *Municipal Government Act* review and *Historical Resources Act*.** The City's *Historic Resources Management Plan* recognizes that the compensation clauses in current provincial legislation make it nearly impossible for municipalities to protect even significant historic resources from demolition by their owners. The *Plan* included Actions 5.1 and 5.2 which stated that the City would work in partnership with heritage groups and other municipalities to advocate for amendments to the *Historical Resources Act* and the *Municipal Government Act* that would help municipalities deal with historic resources in a proactive manner. With the *MGA* opening for review, this would be an appropriate moment for Council and Administration to implement these actions from the City's *Historic Resources Management Plan*.
- **Preparing to commemorate Edmonton 225.** In the near term, Edmonton's heritage community will join with others across Canada to commemorate anniversaries associated with the Great War (2014 – 2018) and Canada's Sesquicentennial (2017). Beyond these anniversaries, but emerging within our planning horizon, is the 225th anniversary of the founding of Edmonton. In 1995, the Edmonton and District Historical Society led a multi-partner initiative to commemorate Edmonton's Bicentennial (marking the establishment of Edmonton House near Fort Saskatchewan in 1795). In preparation for Edmonton 225 it would appropriate in the near future for the City to lead the creation of a diverse and representative multi-stakeholder committee charged with appropriately commemorating our next major civic anniversary.

In closing, and on a personal note, I would like to express my gratitude to the current and former Mayor and Council for the opportunity to contribute to Edmonton's heritage through service on the Board over the past six years, and thank each of my current and former Board colleagues and City staff for their knowledge, wisdom, industriousness and good will. It has been a privilege and a pleasure to work together as a team.

Sincerely,



Martin Kennedy
Chair, Edmonton Historical Board

Executive Summary

The Edmonton Historical Board (EHB)

The EHB advises City Council on heritage issues and policies, and encourages, promotes and advocates for heritage preservation. The Board includes 9 citizens-at-large appointed by City Council, and 2 members recommended by other organizations.

The Board met 11 times in 2013. Its three Committees (Plaques and Awards, Historical Resources Review Panel, and Heritage Outreach Committee) and its Executive Committee meet monthly, and EHB members also serve on the City's Naming Committee, and the Fort Edmonton Management Board.

Plaque & Awards Committee (P&A)

The 39th Annual Recognition and Awards event was well attended. Three individuals and three organisations were honoured with the Historical Recognition Award, and plaques were presented to commemorate four significant historical structures, one city park, and one historically significant area of the city, Beverley. Three of the six plaques were rewritten as the original have been lost or damaged. Their contributions or significance to Edmonton's heritage are outlined in this report.

Historical Resources Review Panel (HHRP)

The HRRP reviews all applications for buildings that may qualify for inclusion on the City's Inventory of Historic Resources. The Panel reviewed 40 buildings in 2013, recommending that 29 be added to the Inventory. This work included evaluating recommendations from two presentations on the Strathcona and Area Neighbourhood Inventory, one presentation on Church Street, and one presentation on a group of buildings on 111 Avenue. The Panel also reviewed two presentations prepared by homeowners: a group of three buildings in Groat Estates and a building in Calder. The Panel also added to its expertise through educational presentations about the Church Street project and the Inventory itself. The Panel twice reviewed its terms of reference; the Panel made changes to the membership terms and added an appeal process. Both of these changes were modeled on processes in place for other City of Edmonton Committees. Panel members also contributed to the work that was done by another sub-committee of the EHB by helping to review the architectural style section of the website created by the Heritage Outreach Committee.

Heritage Outreach Committee (HOC)

HOC continues to conduct education and outreach through its existing publications, such as the *Building Heritage* newsletter, and through social media by maintaining a Facebook page. HOC worked in partnership with the Edmonton and District Historical Society in the delivery of the *Edmonton's Architectural Heritage* website. Work continued on the development of the Heritage Homeowners' Association.

2013 Highlights

29

Buildings recommended
for the Historic
Resources Inventory

9

Properties designated as
Municipal Historic
Resources; total of 107
designated properties

12

Historical Plaques &
Recognition Awards
awarded

518

Volunteer hours by
Board and Committee
members

Plaques & Awards Committee

The Edmonton Historical Board's Plaques and Awards Committee marks preserved historical structures, and recognizes individual and group contributions to the preservation of the city's heritage. The Edmonton Historical Board presents these plaques and awards each November at a very well attended public event.

Recognition Awards Process

The committee recognizes individuals or groups who have contributed to the preservation of Edmonton's history and culture, as well as having exerted significant influence on the understanding of Edmonton's history and the city's development.

Public nomination is invited of persons and institutions meriting recognition. The committee recommends award nominees to the full Edmonton Historical Board, which determines the recipients. The individual awardees or their representatives provide the Board with a photo portrait of the awardee, and the Board places the photo on the Wall of Honour at the City of Edmonton Archives, Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Centre.

The Edmonton Historical Board held its 39th annual Recognition and Plaque Awards event on Thursday 7 November, 2013, on the main floor of the historic Prince of Wales Armoury. The event was well attended by awardees, their friends and families, and others interested in preserving Edmonton's past. The event also featured the attendance of His Worship Mayor Don Iveson. Event attendees then were able to meet with the award winners and plaque recipients over refreshments.

P&A Membership

- Tim Marriott, Chair;
- Marilyn Assheton-Smith, NAPDA;
- David Johnston;
- Sean Moir;
- Shirley Lowe, Historian Laureate;
- Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist;
- Joan Fitzpatrick, Community Member



39th Annual Recognition & Plaque Awards

Three individuals and three organizations were honoured with the 2013 Historical Recognition Award. Awards are on display at the Prince of Wales Armouries Heritage Centre.

Johanne Yakula

A popular speaker and lecturer on topics related to heritage interior design, a former antiques entrepreneur, long time community volunteer to preserve Edmonton's built heritage, especially in the community of Highlands where she has restored her historic home meticulously, and member of the Edmonton Historic Resources Review Panel, Johanne is a deserving recipient.



Johanne Yakula

Wilfrid Allan Walker

A second generation member of a prominent Edmonton family, Wilf worked in the public and private sectors in Calgary and Edmonton, and made community contributions in the areas of sports, painting, music and theatre and history. His efforts in the 1970s helped in the development of Fort Edmonton Park and the Historical Board.

Shiloh Baptist Congregation

As part of the celebration of its centennial in 2010 this first "coloured" Baptist church in western Canada worked hard to capture and preserve, through oral history and publications, the stories of their members and events of their church, to share with fellow Edmontonians the unique history of their congregation within this community.



Shiloh Congregation

Cecil Burgess

The first University Architect and only professor of Architecture at the University of Alberta his legacy exists in many of the campus buildings and in several of its students. He played a significant role in many of the province's, national and international institutes of Architecture during his long and distinguished career.

Government House Foundation

The efforts of the members of the Government House Foundation were recognized during the centennial of the opening of this beautiful political landmark in Glenora. New displays, presentations and a publication reveal the diverse and important history which was played out within its walls.



Government House Foundation

Alberta Records Publication Board, Ted Binnema & Gerhard Ens

The editors and the ARPB who published the first series of *Edmonton House Journals, Correspondence and Report 1806-1821*, have provided access to and commentary on the archival material which details the life and times in early Fort Edmonton. This is a valuable resource for researchers, students and people generally interested in our community's early dynamic history.

39th Annual Recognition & Plaque Awards (continued)

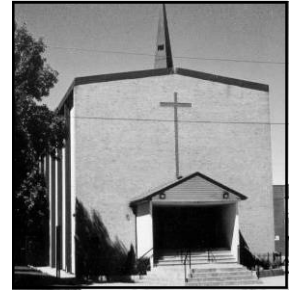
2013 Historical Plaques

The Edmonton Historical Board, working with the city Heritage Planners, selected four significant historical structures, one park, and one community for recognition. Plaques can be found on the Edmonton.ca/archives database.

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

Recognizing 96 years of dedicated service to the community of northeast Edmonton by the members of the Franciscan Order, this plaque details the congregations trials and successes and remembers the church even as the building is reused for a new purpose today.

Location: 6670-129 Avenue



St. Francis

Transit Hotel

Now over 100 years, this northeastern city landmark on the historic Fort Road stands as a reminder of the Village of North Edmonton and the legacy of “Packingtown” meat processing industry which helped it develop. The re-issued and updated plaque recognizes the distinctive boom town architecture which has been preserved by its long time owners, the Ruzyski family.

Location: 12720 Fort Road

St. George’s Anglican Church

Recognized for both its architectural style and the contributions to the community, St. George’s congregation is to be commended for their stewardship of the building and their Windsor Park neighbours.

Location: 11733-87 Avenue



St. George’s

Mayfield Park

Recognizing the contributions of one of Edmonton’s iconic aviators, “Wop” May, this re-issued and updated plaque details May’s accomplishments and the significant contributions he made to Edmonton’s development in the context of the northern frontier.

Location: 10945-161 Street

H.V. Shaw Building

This iconic downtown building will achieve its century mark in 1914. Its distinctive façade contributes to the streetscape, and reminds Edmontonians of our industrial roots due to its origins as a cigar factory. This plaque was re-issued in 2013.

Location: 10229-105 Street



Beverly

Beverly

Also celebrating a centennial in 1913, the original town of Beverly is recognized in this plaque which documents the highlights of the community’s history before it was annexed to Edmonton in 1961.

Historic Resources Review Panel

The Historic Resources Review Panel (HRRP) is a volunteer Committee with representative members from the community as well as members of the Edmonton Historical Board. The HRRP reviews all applications for buildings that may qualify for inclusion on the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton. The structures are evaluated by using guidelines established by the National Register of Historic Places.

The HRRP recommends to the Edmonton Historical Board the buildings or sites that the Panel considers appropriate for inclusion on the Inventory of Historic Resources in Edmonton. All recommendations require approval from the Edmonton Historical Board before sites are added to the City of Edmonton Inventory of Historic Resource. HRRP works closely with the City's Heritage Planners and appreciates their support and advice.

HRRP met 9 times in 2013.

40 Buildings Reviewed in 2013

In 2013, a total of 40 buildings were presented to HRRP for review. The third and final phase of the Neighbourhood of Strathcona and Area Heritage Inventory was completed. The Panel also reviewed a presentation on Church Street and a presentation on a group of three buildings on 111 Avenue. Interestingly, the Panel also reviewed two presentations presented directly by homeowners: a group of three buildings in Groat Estates and a building in Calder.

Of the 40 sites reviewed in 2013, HRRP recommended that 29 buildings be added to the City of Edmonton Inventory of Historic Resources. Heritage Collaborative Inc. brought forward 26 buildings in the Final phase of the Strathcona and Area Heritage Inventory for review. 16 buildings were recommended for inclusion and 10 were not, as they did not meet the required standards to be added to the City of Edmonton Inventory. The Edmonton Planning Department made a presentation on Church Street and HRRP recommended 7 buildings be added to the inventory based on their importance to the Cultural Practices of the area. Of the presentations prepared by homeowners, one was sent back for more information and, ultimately, the decision about it postponed until the Calder Neighbourhood survey could be completed next year. Of the other homeowner presentation, HRRP recommended 3 buildings be added to the inventory as they had very good historical integrity and presented a streetscape from the 1920s. Three buildings did not meet the required standards to be added to the City of Edmonton Inventory and one site was sent back for more information.

40

Buildings reviewed by
the Historic Resources
Review Panel.

29

Buildings recommended
for the Historic
Resources Inventory

2

Educational
presentations enhanced
the Panel's expertise

2

Major neighbourhood
heritage inventories
completed in 2013

Historic Resources Review Panel (continued)

Presentations to add resources to the Inventory:

As part of its work, the Panel received two presentations by **Heritage Collaborative Inc.** on Strathcona and Area Historic Inventory, Phase Three and one presentation each on Church Street, 3 buildings on 111 Avenue, 3 buildings in Groat Estates, and 1 building in Calder.

Educational Presentations

This year the HRRP members heard two educational presentations from guest speakers who provided excellent background information that will assist HRRP members in their future discussions and evaluations.

An Introduction to the City of Edmonton's Historical Inventory

Tim O'Grady gave a very interesting powerpoint presentation that is normally presented to the public. This presentation gives an overview of the Inventory and how sites are added to it. The Panel thought this presentation could be a very good introduction to the Inventory for new members of HRRP.

A Tour of the Alberta Hotel

Members of the Panel were treated to a tour of CKUA in the former Alberta Hotel. As last year Gene Dub, Architect, presented the rebuilding on the Alberta Hotel, this tour represented an interesting opportunity to see the interior of the building. While the Alberta Hotel stands 70 feet from its original location and Gene Dub acknowledges that the building is not pure heritage with some reproductions and a modern building behind the façade, it was interesting to see how heritage elements could be retained and an old building put to a new use.

HRRP Membership

- Jacqueline Harman, Chair;
- David Johnston;
- Darlene Fisher;
- Joe Friedel, Community Member;
- Johanne Yakula, Community Member;
- Lee Smith, Community Member;
- Ian Morgan, Architect;
- David Murray, Architect;
- Ken Tingley, Historian;
- Kathryn Merrett, Historian;
- Dorothy Field, Representative of Alberta Community Development Heritage Survey Program;
- Robert Geldart, Heritage Planner, City of Edmonton;
- David Holdsworth, Heritage Planner, City of Edmonton;
- Kathryn Ivany, City Archivist, City of Edmonton.

Heritage Outreach

The Committee's primary focus is to assist the Board in promoting public awareness of heritage concerns and issues in the city of Edmonton.

In order to accomplish this task, the Committee provides external communication about the Edmonton Historical Board through various media including news releases, the *Building Heritage* newsletter, websites, displays, Facebook, and other aspects of social media, as well as creating forums for discussion. Where directed by the Board, the Committee prepares publications and other educational initiatives. It encourages Board participation in festivals, conferences, anniversaries, and other events that promote Edmonton's heritage. Finally, and where appropriate, the Committee liaises and collaborates with other heritage organizations in Edmonton.

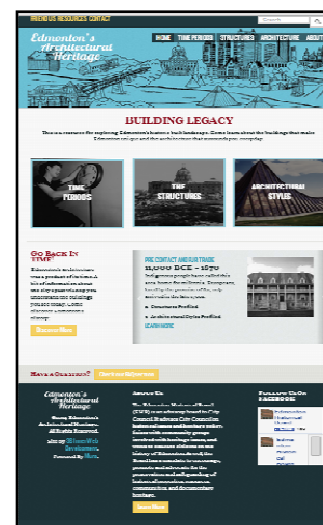
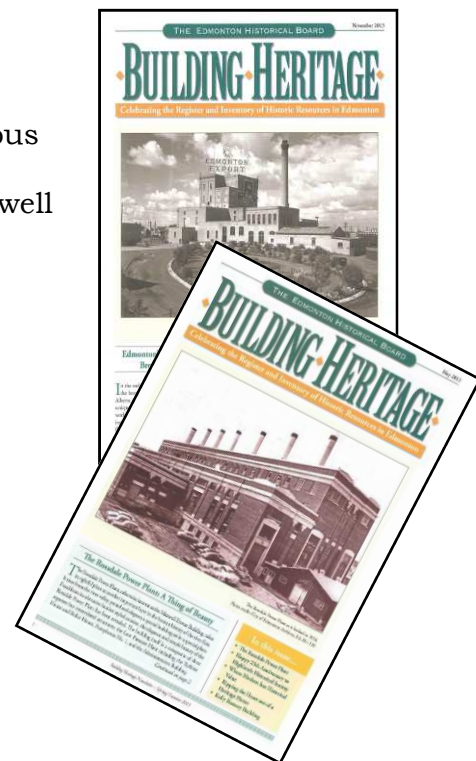
During the past year, the Committee has focused on the following projects.

Architectural Heritage Website

Edmonton's Architectural Heritage

www.EdmontonsArchitecturalHeritage.ca website, was officially launched on November 7, 2013. The purpose of the website is to help users explore Edmonton's historic built landscape by learning more about the buildings and architecture that make Edmonton unique. The website is divided into time periods, structures and architectural styles, and it is possible to enter the website through any one of these three categories. There are five time periods spanning a period from pre-contact to the 1970s. Within each time period, users can explore example structures and learn more about the most popular architectural styles of the time. For example, between 1905 and 1913 Edmonton experienced incredible growth. The city's population exploded from less than 10,000 to almost 70,000 in only a few years. Well known Edmonton landmarks like the Alberta Legislature, Christ Church, the Ernest Brown Block and Oliver School were all built during this period along with many other buildings and residences. Through the website, it is possible to learn much more detail about almost 75 structures and over 20 architectural styles. The website has been designed so that it will be possible to add more example structures within each time period, and to expand the time frame beyond the 1970s. We are also adding a section on Edmonton's lost heritage as well as a glossary of terms used on the website. The website has a search capability and we are compiling statistics about the website usage.

Developing Edmonton's Architectural Heritage website was a very time consuming enterprise. Although the project was driven primarily by the members of the Heritage Outreach Committee, there were many other individuals involved in the development of the website.

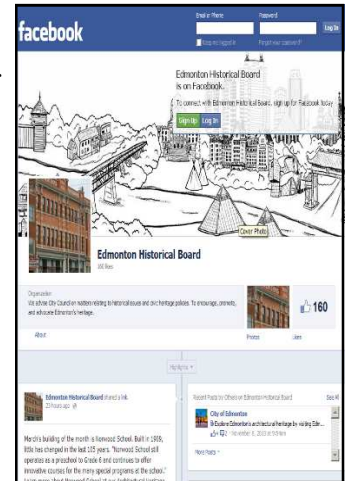


Heritage Outreach Committee (continued)

We wish to thank David Panzarella of SB InnerWeb Development (web designer), Suzanne Shoemaker (researcher and writer), Ryan Trook (artist), Tim O'Grady (archivist), Sonia Caligiuri (admin support), Kathryn Ivany (city archivist), Holly Peterson (research), Karen McDonnell (promotion), Robert Geldart (heritage planner), David Holdsworth (heritage planner), and David Murray (architect). We would also like to thank the Edmonton and District Historical Society for their partnership and support in this project.

Social Media Presence

In order to enhance our presence in social media, the Committee has developed and maintains a Facebook page (www.facebook.com/EdmontonHistoricalBoard). Through Facebook, we are able to communicate with many more individuals and groups, provide information as to our activities, and offer links to other relevant heritage activities and organizations in Edmonton. There is also a feed on *Edmonton's Architectural Heritage* website from our Facebook page.



Edmonton Heritage Homeowners Association

The Committee has been instrumental in the founding of the Edmonton Heritage Homeowners Association, which is an independent association of individuals interested in heritage homes in Edmonton. Many members of the group own heritage homes and have restored them. This new Association is still in the process of identifying its goals and activities, and the role of the Committee is to provide a liaison between the Association and the Board.

Exploring Ways to Increase Diversity on the Edmonton Historical Board

The Committee took some initial steps to explore ways to increase the diversity of its membership and by implication that of the Board itself. To this end, we had an interesting and productive discussion with Gord Stewart and Jaimy Miller from the Aboriginal Relations Office of the City of Edmonton. Subsequently, Mr. Stewart and Ms. Miller provided an overview of the mandate of the Aboriginal Relations Office to the entire Board, followed by a useful discussion on how to encourage an Aboriginal presence on the Board. It is the intent of the Committee to consult with other communities in the city to explore ways to encourage their involvement with the work of the Board.

Council-Board Luncheon

The annual luncheon between the Board and city councillors took place on March 20, 2013. Its purpose was to update them on new developments in the heritage community and to answer any questions and concerns. This ability to meet with City Council at least once a year is very much valued by the Board.

HOC Membership

- Ann Hall, Chair;
- Leslie Chevalier;
- Leslie Holmes;
- Laura Nichol;
- Robert Geldart, Heritage Planner, City of Edmonton;
- David Holdsworth, Heritage Planner, City of Edmonton;
- Tim O'Grady, Archivist, City of Edmonton.



Appendix

Mandate and Composition

The Edmonton Historical Board (EHB) is mandated under Bylaw 13601 to:

- Advise Council on matters relating to City of Edmonton historical issues and civic policies; and
- Encourage, promote, and advocate for the preservation and safeguarding of historical properties, resources, communities, and documentary heritage.

Board meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, excluding July and December.

The Edmonton Historical Board is composed of eleven members appointed by City Council:

- 9 members at large
- 1 representative from the Northern Alberta Pioneers and Descendants Association
- 1 representative from the Edmonton and District Historical Society.

Members must demonstrate a strong interest in and an appreciation for the history of the city and have the ability to speak and write effectively. A significant commitment of time and effort is required for participation on various Committees.

Terms of appointment are for one year and can be renewed for a maximum of 6 years.

2013 Members of the Edmonton Historical Board

<i>Citizens at Large</i>	<i>Date First Appointed by City Council</i>
• David Johnston	January 1, 2008
• Martin Kennedy (Chair)	April 16, 2008
• Jacqueline Harman	June 18, 2008
• Leslie Chevalier	January 1, 2011
• Ann Hall (Vice Chair)	January 1, 2011
• Darlene Fisher	January 1, 2012
• Leslie Holmes	January 1, 2012
• Laura Nichol	January 1, 2012
• Sean Moir	January 1, 2013

External Representatives

• Marilyn Assheton-Smith	January 1, 2011
<i>Northern Alberta Pioneers & Descendants Association</i>	
• Tim Marriott	January 1, 2008
<i>Edmonton & District Historical Society</i>	

Appendix (continued)**Edmonton Historical Board Member Biographies****David Johnston**

• David has always been interested in history, and historic buildings in particular. As a city planner focusing on urban regeneration, David's career in both the public and private sectors has afforded him an opportunity to leverage the preservation of historic resources with the successful redevelopment of communities. David has enjoyed his time on the Board thus far, and is looking to future opportunities to raise the profile of heritage in Edmonton, both personally and through his work in the planning field.

Martin Kennedy (Chair)

• Martin is a communications and investor relations executive for one of the largest publicly traded companies headquartered in Edmonton. In addition to the Edmonton Historical Board, his community and professional involvements include serving on the Premier's Council on Art & Culture; the Advisory Committee for the Canadian Centre for Corporate Sustainability and Social Entrepreneurship at the University of Alberta School of Business; the Conference Board of Canada's Council of Public Affairs Executives; the City of Edmonton's Naming Committee; and the board of Preserve Garneau, a not-for-profit society dedicated to preserving the history, buildings and streetscapes of one of Edmonton's oldest neighbourhoods. He has a special interest in contributing to the growing awareness, preservation and recognition of Edmonton's modern buildings.

Jacqueline Harman

• Jacqueline has had a life-long interest in history. Since moving to Edmonton, she has developed a passion for Edmonton's history through work at Fort Edmonton Park and personal research on her family's historical connection to the area. Jacqueline works as Head of Middle School at Tempo School where, as a teacher and administrator, she finds satisfaction in both learning about local history and sharing this interest with others.

Leslie Chevalier

• Leslie's interest in Edmonton's built heritage has grown over the twelve years she and her husband have worked on their own 1913 heritage home. She has a particular interest in traditional design which she brings to her interior decorating business, Chevalier Design.

Ann Hall (Vice Chair)

• Ann is an author and retired professor who taught in the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation at the University of Alberta for over thirty years. She has a long-time interest in Edmonton's history, especially its sporting heritage. Among other volunteer activities, she is an active member of the Alberta Sport History Project, which is sponsored through the Alberta Sports Hall of Fame and Museum.

Sean Moir

• Sean is a life-long Edmontonian and has a keen interest in the city's history. Master degrees in History and Library and Information Studies were completed at the University of Alberta in 1992 and 2004 respectively. Sean has spent nearly thirty years working in the heritage industry, notably with the Province of Alberta's Department of Culture and at the City of Edmonton's Fort Edmonton Park. Sean has served on the board of the Edmonton and District Historical Society (President ca 1993-1995), and is currently a member of the Fulton Place Community League Heritage Committee and the Edmonton Historical Board.

Appendix (continued)**Leslie Holmes**

- For as long as Leslie can remember she has had an interest in history, but it wasn't until she began working as an interpreter at Fort Edmonton Park that she developed a passion for Edmonton and Alberta history. In 2010 she completed her Master of Arts in History at the University of Alberta and currently works in Visitor Services at the Alberta Legislature where everyday she has the opportunity to work in and discuss one of Edmonton's most significant heritage buildings.

Darlene Fisher

- Darlene Fisher holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Anthropology from the University of Alberta and is currently completing a post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Heritage Resources Management through Athabasca University. Darlene has a great interest in museums, history, culture, and the preservation of Edmonton's historic buildings.

Laura Nichol

- Laura holds a Bachelor of Arts Honours in Drama from the University of Alberta. Laura is very active in the Edmonton heritage community having volunteered or been employed in heritage sites almost her entire life. She is also very active in the theatrical community, and this combination provides her with unique insight for her participation on the Edmonton Historical Board.

Marilyn Assheton-Smith (NAPDA)

- With a father who bragged about being born in the NWT, Marilyn has been imbued with a constant curiosity about local history. Her working life ranged from general duty nursing through Indian and Northern Health Services to a University of Alberta professor in Intercultural, Women's and Development education. But all roads, both personal and family, eventually led to Edmonton, so turning her historical curiosity to this town has been an easy and fascinating project. She has been active in the Northern Alberta Pioneers for the past five years, with the history group for most of that time, and is currently their historian. Her current personal historical research focuses on a family member's participation in the NWMP from 1882 to 1910.

Tim Marriott (EDHS)

- Tim is a life-long Edmontonian; his family has lived in the city since prior to the First World War. Tim has a degree in Western Canadian History from the University of Alberta and spent thirty years working at Fort Edmonton Park. Since 2007, Tim has worked in the Alberta Protocol Office. He is currently the President of the Edmonton and District Historical Society, Past President of the Walterdale Theatre Associates, Chair for the Edmonton Regional Historical Fair Committee, and is a board member of the Edmonton Heritage Council.