

HERITAGE WINNIPEG

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ANNUAL REPORT

2018 - 2019

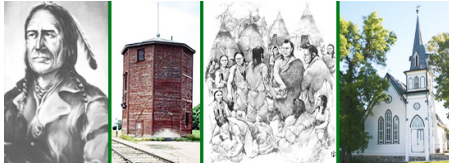


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ADMINISTRATION & COMMUNITY SUPPORT



Provincial and Municipal Annual Support

The application for annual funding from the Province of Manitoba, Department of Culture, Heritage and Tourism was submitted in March 2018 including our goals and objectives within our program elements for the 2018-2019 year. The Province of Manitoba contributed \$22,300 again in 2018-2019. The first payment (75%) was received in July 2018 and the remaining 25% portion in December 2018. This support is essential to helping sustain the organization's projects and programs including advocacy, public service/information, and educational projects (Manitoba Day Celebrations, Annual Preservation Awards, Heritage Winnipeg Blog, Doors Open Winnipeg etc.). Heritage Winnipeg was hoping to meet with Minister Cox and other Provincial Heritage Agencies (PHA's) to discuss increasing our annual funding, which has remained stagnant for over three decades. Thank you to the provincial Historic Resources Department for all of their assistance throughout the year on the many built heritage projects.

Heritage Winnipeg's annual City of Winnipeg grant was decreased in 2018 from \$40,000 to \$37,250 which goes to support our various projects and programs throughout the year. We continue to try and increase the communication within the Property, Planning and Development Department. Thank you to Councillor Santos who was appointed to the Heritage Winnipeg Board by the City of Winnipeg in November 2018.



The Winnipeg Foundation

Heritage Winnipeg would like to thank The Winnipeg Foundation for their generous financial support received in 2018-2019. The Winnipeg Foundation is a very important source of funding for Heritage Winnipeg and their recent support has allowed us to hire part time staff, Cheryl Mann, enabling us to provide many free services including for our signature event, Doors Open Winnipeg.

Membership & Donations

Heritage Winnipeg's membership remained steady at approximately 220 members. We recognize the vital role of membership in our organization, and hope to continue to increase our membership base. We are especially trying to increase our corporate support with memberships from building owners, architects, engineers, developers and businesses. General membership strategy, pricing structure for members, multi-year memberships and benefits given to member. It was decided by the Board to increase the memberships nominally.

Board of Directors / Governance

Heritage Winnipeg's Board has broad representation, with members playing a pivotal role in implementing and accomplishing its projects, programs and goals. They volunteer for our many events and support the work our organization does throughout the year. We look forward to continuing to bring new Directors on to the Board from a diverse range of backgrounds, to help us strategize and prioritize future goals and objectives.



ADMINISTRATION & COMMUNITY SUPPORT



Office

The office continues to have one full time position - Cindy Tugwell, Executive Director. For 26 years, Cindy has continued to work under the direction of the Board on the many projects and events throughout the year. In addition thank you to Cheryl Mann for all her assistance throughout the year!

The National Trust for Canada

The National Trust for Canada is a national registered charity that inspires and leads action to save historic places, landscapes and natural areas, and promotes the care and wise use of our historic environment. Barbara Myers is the current Manitoba Governor as of October 2018.

The National Trust Conference is Canada's largest event for professionals, practitioners and volunteers engaged in regenerating and saving our heritage places. As in previous years, those attending this year's conference will come from a diverse range of backgrounds: architects, professionals and tradespeople; planners and government representatives; heritage organizations, volunteers and the general public; and university/college instructors and students. We are very pleased that the 2019 Conference will be in Winnipeg from October 17-19, 2019.



National Trust
for Canada

Young Canada Works in Heritage Institutions Program

Heritage Winnipeg again participated in the Young Canada Works in Heritage Institutions Summer Student Program in 2018. The program, which is funded by the Department of Canadian Heritage in partnership with the National Trust for Canada, which aims to provide returning university and college students with valuable work experience, and money for school, while enriching their appreciation for Canada's heritage achievements. We applied in February 2018 and subsequently hired Natassja Brien and Emily Chu.



Canada Summer Jobs

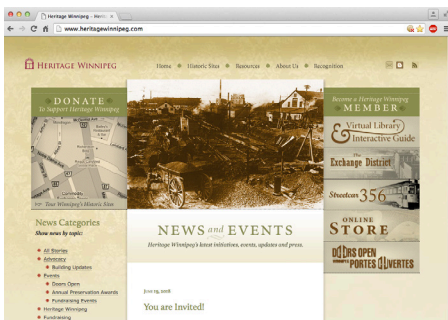
We also received funding from the Canada Summer Student program and we were able to hire Naomi Brien for eight weeks. Student programs such as these are very important to the sustainability of Heritage Winnipeg and Doors Open Winnipeg. As our biggest annual event of the year, the support staff is a critical component to the success of this event, which continues to grow in participants and visitors.

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SUMMER JOBS



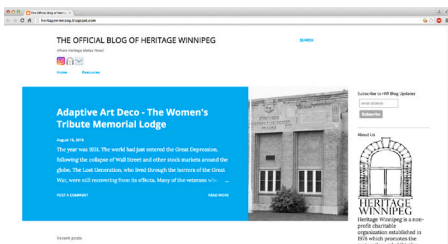
Resource Centre

Heritage Winnipeg's Resource Centre is available to those who are seeking information on Winnipeg architectural heritage, history and urban issues. The Centre, which includes digital and print media, continues to be a valuable free resource to teachers, students, organizations, and media members. Heritage Winnipeg also has a large inventory of pictures, magazines, newsletters, brochures, and building files. Members and the public are encouraged to visit our resource center by appointment. Thank you again to volunteer Don Johnson for updating our resource centre. He updated the entire resource centre throughout 2018-19, and completed a digital database which will be available on our updated website for public access.



Website and Social Media - www.heritagewinnipeg.com

We continue to use our website to showcase our events and heritage related news. We substantially expanded our Twitter presence, now reaching over 4600 followers and similarly we grew our Instagram to over 1700 followers. Twitter has proven to be an effective tool for instantaneous dissemination of current issues, news stories, new blog posts, and Heritage Winnipeg events, while Instagram has helped draw new interest to built heritage. On Facebook, both the Heritage Winnipeg and Doors Open Winnipeg pages have hundreds of likes with a committed following.



Heritage Winnipeg Blog - heritagewinnipeg.blogspot.ca

The Heritage Winnipeg Blog, which is free to the public has proved to be a very valuable medium for communicating with and educating the public and our members. It has covered the histories of many of Winnipeg's heritage buildings, upcoming heritage community events, interesting historic tours, relevant news articles and heritage issues throughout the city. Our subscribership has grown to almost 500 subscribers.



The Arts

Heritage Winnipeg was pleased to continue to work with artist Robert Sweeney over the 2018-2019 year to showcase his unique historic sketches. His sketches are available on our website for purchase and all sales help raise funds for our organization. In 2018 we started working with him to create a Public Transportation history colouring book, showcasing Streetcar 356 and commemorating the 100th anniversary of the 1919 Winnipeg General Strike.

We would like to continue to work with other artists in the city, as the partnership between heritage and the arts community is invaluable for both groups.



Educational Outreach & Community Presentations

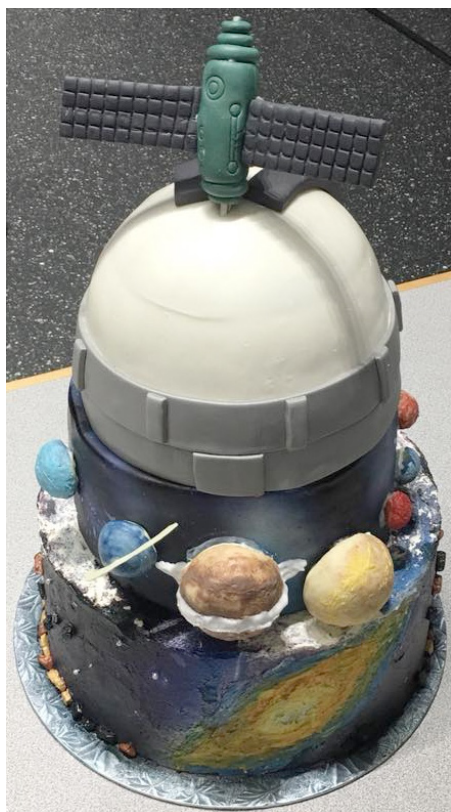
Heritage Winnipeg continues to provide information to schools and participates in the annual Manitoba Teachers' Society Professional Development Day (SAGE) Teachers' Conference. Held October 2018 at Kildonan East School, this is an excellent way to raise awareness about the work we are involved with. We attended with Friends of Dalnavert Museum, and Friends of Upper Fort Garry.

Heritage Winnipeg also provides information and services to many community leaders and non-profit organizations throughout the year. Thank you to Heritage Winnipeg Board Member Greg Agnew for volunteering his time throughout the year to provide dozens of historical presentations to senior community groups around the city.



Provincial Heritage Fair

The Manitoba Regional Red River Heritage Fair took place at the University of Winnipeg's Duckworth Centre with Heritage Winnipeg sponsoring and presenting gift bags to three outstanding built heritage projects. Congratulations to all of this year's winners!



Celebrating Manitoba Day at the Manitoba Museum

In May 2018 the Manitoba Museum hosted a free-admission day in celebration of Manitoba Day. The event attracted over 10,000 visitors. Heritage Winnipeg hosted an exhibit at the event along with Friends of Upper Fort Garry and Friends of Dalnavert Museum. Our participation in this event is part of celebrating Manitoba Day with many other like non-profit organizations, and bring awareness to all the important programs and events we provide, particularly Doors Open Winnipeg. HW provided a contest and if you subscribed to the Blog you could enter to win some prizes.

2018 DOORS OPEN WINNIPEG - MAY 26TH AND 27TH



Doors Open Winnipeg marked its 15th year in May 2018. This annual weekend event saw thousands of Winnipeggers visiting building and participating in walking tours throughout the city. The 2018 event had a record 93 different buildings and tours to partake in.

In June of 2018, Heritage Winnipeg was proud to host the 8th Annual Doors Open Winnipeg Peoples' Choice Awards and Volunteer Reception at the Millennium Centre. The winners of the Peoples' Choice Awards are determined by the public, who can vote for their favourite Doors Open Winnipeg building or tour. The winners were awarded a beautiful framed print of their building by local artist Robert Sweeney. The following buildings were recognized:

Best Restoration

Dalnavert Museum and Visitors' Centre
at 61 Carlton Street

Best Architecture

Bank of Montreal
at 335 Main Street

Best Overall Experience

St. Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Heritage Church
at 110 Disraeli Street

Best Guided Tour or Programming

Vaughan Street Jail
at 444 York Avenue

The 'Hidden Gem'

Holy Eucharist Ukrainian Catholic Parish
at 505 Watt Street



Each year, Doors Open Winnipeg is only made possible through the generous support of our **Sponsors**. Please see our website at doorsopenwinnipeg.ca for a full list of our sponsors and supporters each year.

Doors Open Winnipeg continues to grow each year and we thank all those who helped make this event such a resounding success. Thank you to the building owners for opening their doors, and the over 550 volunteers who helped during the event and of course the public for coming out to the event! A special thank you to Board Member Greg Agnew for his dedication to volunteering for this event!

2019 DOORS OPEN WINNIPEG - MAY 25TH AND 26TH



The 2019 Doors Open Winnipeg event was also a huge hit and record breaking year. There were 112 buildings and walking tours taking part. Thank you to Linda Stilkowski for volunteering to help design the 2019 poster, which featured the 1919 Winnipeg General Strike which is celebrating its 100th anniversary.

The 9th Annual Doors Open Winnipeg Peoples' Choice Awards and Volunteer Reception was held at the Millennium Centre. This year the categories were reduced from five to three. Winners were again awarded original framed prints of their building by Artist Robert Sweeney. The following buildings were recognized:

Best Architecture

Marlborough Hotel
at 331 Smith Street

Best New Participant

Fortune Block
at 230 Main Street

Best Overall Experience

Vaughan Street Jail
at 444 York Avenue

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incredible food and service!

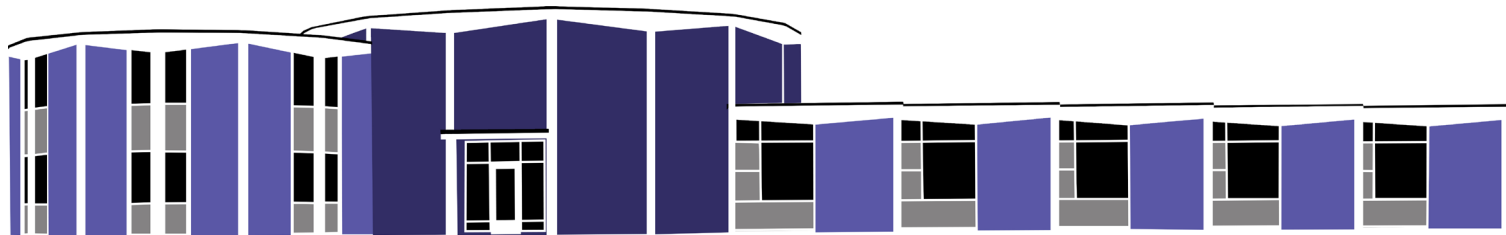


Save the Date!
Doors Open Winnipeg
May 30th & 31st, 2020
www.doorsopenwinnipeg.ca

HERITAGE WINNIPEG 34TH ANNUAL PRESERVATION AWARDS

Heritage Winnipeg was very pleased to hold our 34th annual awards ceremony on Louis Riel Day/National Heritage Day, Monday, February 18, 2019 with over 100 people in attendance at the St. Vital Library. We would like to thank our 2019 Independent Judging Committee: Wins Bridgman, Neil Einarson, Murray Peterson, Les Stechesen and Lisa Gardewine.

Thank you to everyone who attended the awards. A special thank you goes out to all the nominees and award recipients who continue to do heritage sensitive preservation and redevelopment in Winnipeg. Congratulations go out to this year's Award of Excellence winners!



2019 Heritage Winnipeg Conservation Award of Excellence



Woodbine Hotel
at 466 Main Street

Building Owners



Bright and Johnston Building
at 141 Bannatyne Avenue

141 Bannatyne Inc.
B & F Masonry
Crosier Kilgour Ltd.



Porter / Galpern Building
at 165 McDermot Avenue

Alston Properties Ltd.
5468796 Architecture Inc.



HERITAGE WINNIPEG 34TH ANNUAL PRESERVATION AWARDS



**Dalnavert Museum and Visitor's Centre
at 61 Carlton Street**

Friends of Dalnavert Museum Inc.
Restoration Specialist Sandy Seipman



**St. Vital Library
at 6 Fermor Avenue**

City of Winnipeg
Bridgman Collaborative Architecture

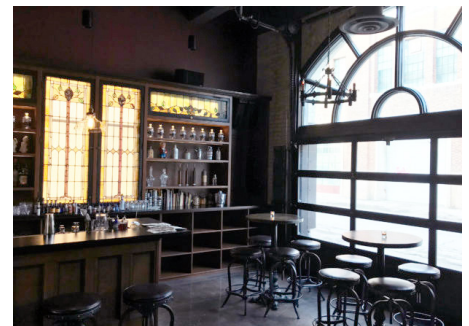


2019 Heritage Winnipeg Distinguished Service Award



**Patent 5 Distillery – Oak Room
at 108 Alexander Avenue**

Patent 5 Distillery



2019 Heritage Winnipeg Youth Award



Heritage Winnipeg Blog

Natassja Brien



Thank you to the City of Winnipeg for allowing Heritage Winnipeg to
host the Annual Preservation Awards at the Library!

FUNDRAISING EVENTS & PROJECT UPDATES



Annual Spring Fundraising Luncheon - Fort Garry Hotel

Heritage Winnipeg's Annual Spring Fundraising Luncheon was held on Friday, April 13th, 2018 in the Provencher Room of the historic Fort Garry Hotel. A very special thank you to our keynote speaker, John Pollard, for his wonderful presentation about the conservation of the Fortune and McDonald Blocks. Thank you again to the Fort Garry Hotel for their support to Heritage Winnipeg and the wonderful service at the event.



Upper Fort Garry Provincial Park

When you arrive at the Park, a sense of history will take hold. Sculptural installations will guide you to the Governor's Gate, helping to set the stage for the artistic interpretation of history that will greet you inside the Park. The heritage wall and complimentary app are now complete, providing educational programming that entices everyone to come and enjoy the park, learning about Manitoba's history. Please visit the website at www.upperfortgarry.ca.



Shards Project

Heritage Winnipeg did not want to see the shards (building fragments), which had languished in storage for decades, go to a landfill, so we created a Shards Committee to strategize how best to get these pieces marketed and ultimately sold for other heritage projects. During the summer of 2017 Heritage Winnipeg moved the shards to a new location as per the city's agreement. We were successful in selling all the large and significant shards by donating them to Sheldermine's, thus enabling them to sell them to the public. We continued working on this project in 2018-2019 with the remaining shards.

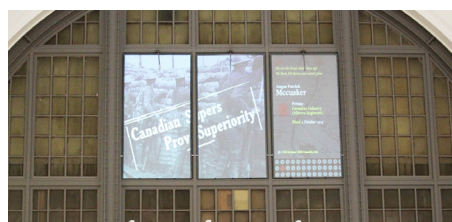


The Millennium Centre - 389 Main Street

Heritage Winnipeg would like to thank the tenants of this historic building, Doug Stephen, Paul Haverstock, and the team at WOW Hospitality Concepts, who have been doing a fantastic job over the 2018-2019 year. We successfully had the roof replaced in the summer/fall of 2018 all thanks to Parks Canada's Cost Sharing Program and The Winnipeg Foundation! We also would like to thank Bill Loewen for his support of the free, Music at the Millennium Summer Concert Series featuring the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, during June, July and August 2018. This building always participates in Doors Open Winnipeg and is used as a venue for many non-profit events throughout the year.

Digital WWI Memorial

After November 11, 2018 the commemorative digital memorial was removed from the rotunda of the Winnipeg Union Station. We are happy to report that the digital display was transferred to our website shortly thereafter where it can be viewed by anyone throughout the year.



FUNDRAISING EVENTS & PROJECT UPDATES



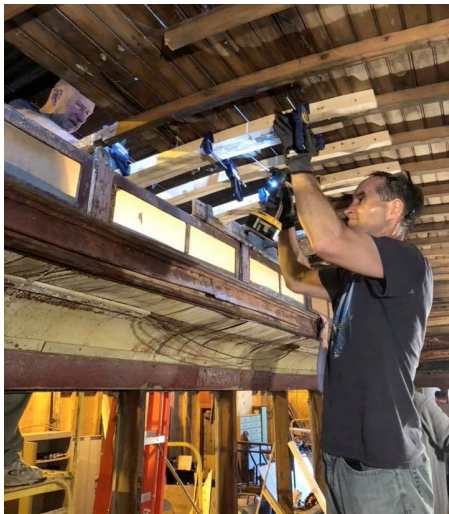
Rehabilitation of Streetcar 356 - Update

The Streetcar 356 committee is pleased to report real progress over the 2018-2019 year. An agreement with the Midwestern Railway Association has been signed for the housing and workspace at the back of Track 2, at the Winnipeg Railway Museum, in the VIA Station on Main St. We have been fortunate to secure the cooperation of Rob Loiselle who with his supervision many volunteers come out during the spring to fall season to work on Car 356.

Progress has also been made to acquire and place in secure storage the streetcar records of author John Baker, whose book *Winnipeg's Electric Transit: The story of Winnipeg's streetcars and trolley buses*, 1982, has now a companion book, Brian Darragh's *The Streetcars of Winnipeg - Our Forgotten Heritage Out of Sight - Out of Mind*. This archival initiative is a joint venture with the Manitoba Transit Heritage Association Inc., which has the storage space and an interest in John Baker's bus history work. There are also numerous streetcar related artifacts that will add considerably to the restoration process. We thank Mrs. Lorie Baker for her cooperation. We plan to have it restored as part of the commemoration activities of the 100th anniversary of the 1919 Winnipeg General Strike. Thank you to the Thomas Sill Foundation for providing \$15,000 in funding to help rehabilitate Streetcar 356.

Heritage Winnipeg also participated in Rail Days 2018 a free event during a September weekend at the Winnipeg Rail Museum, where over hundreds of people attended. For the event we provided tours of Streetcar 356.

Streetcar Committee members: David McDowell, Steven Stothers, Rob Loiselle, and Jim Kacki, all participated in the 2018-2019 year (with room for more active volunteers!) There are many other volunteers on the working committee and their names will be posted on our website during the re-design.



VMC DiscoverIt Architectural Website

Heritage Winnipeg would like to thank the Virtual Museum of Canada for funding our bilingual DiscoverIt project during the 2018-2019 year. Heritage Winnipeg is working with Pattern Interactive and a VMC focus group with stakeholders. This project is expected to be completed in 2020 in celebration of Manitoba's 150th.

On This Spot App

An app with 100 historical photos and two self guided historic walking tours. Thank you to Travel Manitoba and the Exchange District BIZ for their funding support. We launched the app during the 2018 Doors Open Winnipeg event.



ADVOCACY UPDATES



514 Wellington Crescent

Heritage Winnipeg worked with the Crescentwood neighbourhood to help assist in the “Save 514 Wellington” campaign. Through 2018-19 Heritage Winnipeg attended many community meetings to strategize and help protect not only this historic home but the historic neighbourhood. The community is working with us to advocate for another Heritage Conservation District (HCD) study, similar the one just completed by the City of Winnipeg for the Armstrong’s Point Neighbourhood. In September 2018 the Heritage Conservation bylaw was passed by Council and in the spring of 2019 Armstrong’s Point Neighbourhood officially received HCD status.



Casa Lomo Building Sign - 644 Portage Avenue

Heritage Winnipeg was very pleased to work with Sussex Realty, the owners of this historic residential building. After an appeal to the city, Sussex Realty was given approval to use the building’s historic sign for artwork created and provided by the Winnipeg Art Gallery, for eight years. This is a wonderful example of getting the historic sign reused while showcasing Inuit Art to Winnipeggers and visitors alike.



Dalnavert Museum and Visitors’ Centre - 61 Carlton Street

During the 2018-2019 year the museum continued with very successful operations by the Friends of Dalnavert Museum. The ongoing success is due to the efficient and effective management by Manager Thomas McLeod, staff and the Board of Directors. Heritage Winnipeg continues to promote various events throughout the year, and volunteers on the Revenue Committee.



Former Carnegie Library / City of Winnipeg Archives - 380 William Avenue

Over the 2018-2019 year, Heritage Winnipeg met with staff within the Planning Department, while continuing to advocate to the City of Winnipeg that it is important to move the City Archives back into the building. For the city to re-invest the millions of dollars necessary to return it to its former glory, providing a state of the art Archival facility. Throughout the year, the building continued to remain vacant with no commitment from the city to return. There is an administrative report that was expected to be released in the spring of 2019.



Fortune Block, MacDonald Block and the Winnipeg Hotel - 226-234 Main Street and 214 Main Street

John Pollard completed the rehabilitation of the Fortune and MacDonald Block. John Pollard was our keynote speaker for our 2018 Spring Fundraising Luncheon. and his passion and project is spectacular! We thank him for all his support to the heritage community and for being a leader in heritage conservation!

ADVOCACY UPDATES



Gregg Building - 52 Albert Street

This heritage building was finally sold in 2018-19 by Jay Knysh at 52 Albert Street. He is very passionate to rehabilitate and re-purpose this heritage building so it can once again be an important part of the Exchange District streetscape!



Hudson's Bay Building - 450 Portage Avenue

An unofficial Friends of Hudson's Bay group spearheaded by Heritage Winnipeg. The group continued to discuss the various issues facing the future of this historic landmark with hopes of having a public/private partnership to re-develop the building so it can once again be an integral part of the historic, social and economic landscape.



James Avenue Pumping Station - 109 James Avenue

To date this project is still moving forward, with the expectations of a sympathetic addition and rehabilitation to this historic building completed in 2020. It will be a residential and commercial redevelopment with a public space for gatherings



Public Safety Building - 151 Princess Street

During the 2018-2019 year, CentreVenture, with the support of the Mayor and the City of Winnipeg, continued with the demolition of the Public Safety Building and the proposed construction of a new, six storey building on the same land, but on the adjacent corner of Princess Street. We were given access to the interior of the building in 2019 and it is in better condition than expected. Existing historic plaques on the property will be protected.



Siloam Mission Expansion - 300 Princess Street

The original building was officially designated at a 2017 Downtown Committee meeting. They continued in 2018-2019 to move forward with their additions to the site. Heritage Winnipeg had hopes they would use reclaimed bricks for the addition but unfortunately they proceeded with purchasing new bricks on the recommendation of the architect.

ADVOCACY UPDATES



Royal Albert Hotel - 48 Albert Street

Over the 2018-2019 year, Heritage Winnipeg followed the process of this designed heritage building finally going to a tax sale in the fall of 2017 and then it was purchased by a building owner that would like to clean it up and maintain it much better than the previous owner. The area residents continued to have many concerns because of the way the building was being managed and maintained in the past. We were hopeful that in the 2018-2019 year we could address some of the impediments facing heritage building owners in order to have their appropriately buildings occupied and thriving.



Rubin Block - 270 Morley Avenue

Heritage Winnipeg along with Fort Rouge residents worked tirelessly over the 2018-2019 year to get this building possibly sold to a new owner and redeveloped. We are hoping the building will be sold and a new owner will rehabilitate the building immediately with many affordable apartments. Making it again a vibrant part of the community.



St. Regis Hotel Oak Room - 285 Smith Street

Heritage Winnipeg, in partnership with Brock Coutts from Patent 5 successfully removed the character defining elements of the historic Oak Room in the summer of 2017 before the St. Regis Hotel was slated for demolition. Brock was able to sensitively remove the materials with and re-created in part, a tasting room in his micro-distillery in the East Exchange on Alexander Avenue. They participated in Doors Open Winnipeg 2019 to hugely interested crowds.



Museums and Historic Properties Managed by Non-Profits

Over the 2018-2019 year we worked with many organizations and museums throughout the city to discuss many of the historic and economic issues facing these community groups. We will continue our to follow the work be undertaken.



City of Winnipeg Heritage Bylaw

We are still waiting for a response from the City of Winnipeg's legal Department on their decision to remove over 330 heritage properties from the Historic Resources List before the new bylaws were passed in June of 2014. We will continue to follow up on this during the 2018-2019 year.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to City of Winnipeg
Councillor Jenny Gerbasi,
our keynote speaker at the
2018 Heritage Winnipeg AGM!



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