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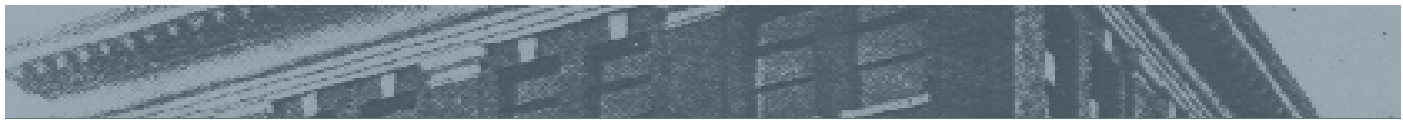
Annual Report 2014 - 2015

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1.0 ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATIONS

1.1 Provincial and Municipal Annual Support

The application for annual funding from the Province of Manitoba, Department of Culture, Heritage and Tourism was submitted, including our goals and objectives within our program elements for the 2014-15 year. The Province of Manitoba contributed \$22,300 in 2013-14. The first payment (75%) was received in July and the remaining 25% portion in December. This support is essential to helping sustain the organization's projects and programs. Heritage Winnipeg also approached the Province in hopes of increasing annual support and will continue to advocate an increase in order to sustain the current programs.



Thank you to the provincial Historic Resources Department for all of their assistance throughout the year. Provincial support goes towards educational projects and programs such as our Educational Outreach Program, Manitoba Day Celebrations, Annual Preservation Awards Program, the Heritage Winnipeg Blog, and Doors Open Winnipeg.



Heritage Winnipeg's annual City of Winnipeg grant was \$29,500 for 2014 to support our various projects and programs. We received an increase of \$5,000 for the 2014-15 year.

Thank you to John Kiernan and Rina Ricci of the City of Winnipeg, Urban Design Division. Their support and assistance throughout the year is greatly appreciated. Thank you to Councillor Paula Havixbeck up to November 2014 for her support and we welcome Councillor Dobson appointed by the City of Winnipeg following the 2014 election.

1.2 Membership/Donations/Fundraising

Heritage Winnipeg's membership remained steady at approximately 200 members. We are trying to increase our support from the private sector with memberships from building owners, architects, engineers, business owners, and developers. In the summer of 2014, a membership drive was held with a possibility of winning a wonderful prize package supporting many businesses in the Exchange District and in hopes of increasing our membership support. We recognize the vital role of membership in our organization and hope to increase our membership base over the 2015-2016 year. General membership strategy, pricing structure for members, multi-year memberships, and benefits given to members are some of the things currently being examined. We will hopefully have many positive changes to our members over the coming year and encourage members to contact our office with any questions or concerns.



1.3 Board Members/Governance

Heritage Winnipeg's Board has broad representation and counts on the support of many people to accomplish and implement its goals and objectives. The Board of Directors plays a pivotal role in our fundraising events, projects, and programs. They volunteer for our many events and support the work

our organization does throughout the year. Please see the Nominating Committee report for the 2015-16 list.

During the 2014-15 year, the Board completed the revisions to our current by-laws and continues to work on our draft strategic plan. 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 our goals and objectives in subsequent years.



Doors Open Winnipeg 2014
Poster by Matt Tworek

1.4 Office/Student Programs

The office continues to have one full time position - Cindy Tugwell, Executive Director. Cindy continues to work under the direction of the Board on the advocacy issues, projects, events, and educational programs of Heritage Winnipeg.

Thank you Megan Redmond, Creative Communications graduate student from Red River College who worked in the office for six weeks in the month of April and May 2015 and provided much needed assistance in designing marketing materials for the Doors Open event, including the design of the 2015 Doors Open poster. In addition thank you to Matt Tworek for the design of the poster for the 2014 Doors Open Winnipeg event.



Doors Open Winnipeg 2015
Poster by Megan Redmond

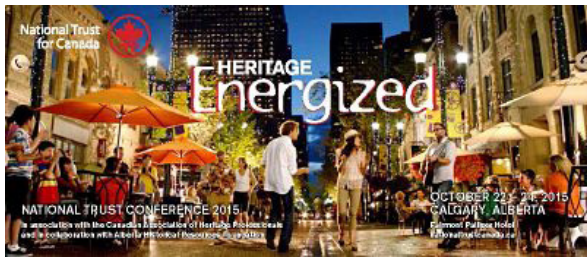
1.5 Heritage Canada Foundation adopts new name - Heritage Canada The National Trust

Heritage Canada The National Trust 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. Created in 1973, the organization could not legally use the name National Trust at that time. Heritage Canada’s founding board of governors set a course for the organization that was tailored to the Canadian context. Since then, formal agreements have been established with National Trusts worldwide, including reciprocal access for members to visit National Trust properties abroad.

Greg Thomas is the current Manitoba Governor and the annual conference of the former Heritage Canada Foundation, now officially named the National Trust of Canada, took place in Charlottetown, PEI in October 2014. With a theme of “Heritage Builds Resilience”, the event included many great speakers and presentations.



“This name change closes the circle on our 40 year journey as Canada’s National Trust,” said Mr. Keith, Chairman of the Board. “It also coincides with our renewed commitment to revitalization and regeneration in communities across Canada, using heritage as a springboard”. The National Trust movement is made up of organizations around the world that variously own or operate heritage sites and engage the public in the conservation of special built and natural places.



The annual 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, the 400-plus participants expected to attend this year’s conference in Calgary entitled “Heritage Energized” 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.

1.6 Young Canada Works in Heritage Institutions Program

Heritage Winnipeg again participated in the Young Canada Works in Heritage Institutions Summer Student Program 2014. The program, which is funded by the Department of Canadian Heritage in partnership with the Heritage Canada Foundation, aims to provide returning university and college students with valuable work experience, while enriching



their appreciation for Canada’s heritage achievements. In the summer of 2014 Heritage Winnipeg was pleased to employ University of Manitoba student Laura McKay. The program was partially funded for 16 weeks. We would like to thank the Department of Canadian Heritage, and delivery organization, The Heritage Canada Foundation. We welcome back Laura McKay as the 2015 summer student.



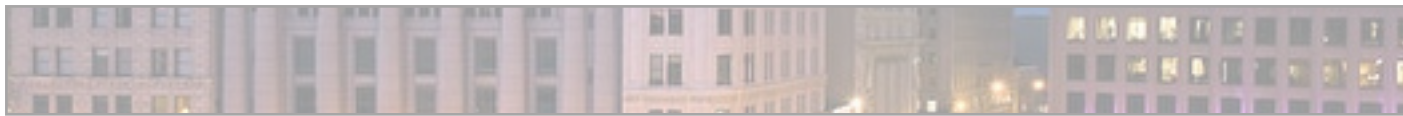
1.7 Summer Internship Program (SIP) - The Winnipeg Foundation

This was our first application to this program and we were approved for a student for 8-weeks during July and August 2014. The Summer Internship Program (SIP) builds on the voluntary sector experience of Youth in Philanthropy (YiP) participants. Students are paired with mentors at local registered charitable organizations for paid summer employment that opens the doors to knowledge-sharing, skill building, and new partnerships within the sector. Through SIP interns gain unique, practical work experience and a professional edge in the workplace while organizations gain the ability to take on short-term projects over the summer months.



Our student was Roshanie Balkaran and she had a great opportunity to visit the following places during her internship along with the YCW summer student, Laura McKay.

- 2014 Stampede Breakfast including a tour of the historic Ralph Connor House, in Armstrong’s Point;
- Opening of the sunroom at the historic McBeth House;
- East & West Exchange District walking tour and visited many businesses in the area;
- West End BIZ Mural Tour; Noon Music at the Millennium Centre;
- Visit to the Manitoba Archives for Millennium Centre archival photos;
- City of Winnipeg, Planning, Property and Development Department – Urban Studies to scan Millennium Centre files;
- Historic Resources Building Committee meeting at City Hall;
- Visit to the historic Fort Garry Hotel;
- Visit to the Forks and went on a riverboat tour.



2.0 EDUCATION, INFORMATION, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

2.1 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 members. Heritage Winnipeg further carries a large inventory of magazines, newsletters, brochures, and building files. Members and the public are encouraged to visit our resource center by appointment. Thank you to volunteer Cheryl Mann for updating our resource centre database and building files.



2.2 Website and Social Media

We continue to use our website to showcase our events and also other like organizations. We substantially expanded our twitter presence to over 2400 followers, and continued our use of Facebook, growing to a combined 900 likes on the Heritage Winnipeg and Doors Open Facebook pages. Twitter has proven to be an effective medium for instantaneous communication with our followers to inform them of current issues, news stories that arise, new blog posts, and Heritage Winnipeg events.



2.3 Heritage Winnipeg Blog



Started by summer students Laura McKay and Roshanie Balkaran in 2014, the Heritage Winnipeg Blog has proved to be a valuable medium for communicating with and educating the public, as well as our members, about the histories of many of Winnipeg's heritage buildings, upcoming heritage community events, interesting historic tours, and relevant news articles on heritage projects. The blog has over 300 subscribers, including the Heritage

Winnipeg membership, and has an average readership of 200-400 page views per article, with our most popular article - a detailed description of the plans for Upper Fort Garry Provincial Park - coming in with over 2050 page views.

2.4 Provincial Heritage Fair

The annual Manitoba Red River Regional Heritage Fair took place at the University of Winnipeg, Duckworth Centre where Heritage Winnipeg sponsored and presented 3 Heritage projects with awards including gifts, to projects of significant heritage value. Congratulations to the winners: Morgan Versteeg for her project about Rainbow Stage; Erin Van Veen for her project about The Forks; and Emily Pokrant and Kara McMillan for their project on the History of John Pritchard School.

2.5 Manitoba Day

In May 2015 the Manitoba Museum hosted a free-admission day celebrating Manitoba Day. The event attracted over 3,000 visitors. Heritage Winnipeg hosted an exhibit at the event along with the Friends of Upper Fort Garry. Our participation in this event is part of celebrating Manitoba Day with many other like non-profit organizations, continuing to bring awareness to all the important programs and events we provide, particularly Doors Open Winnipeg and collecting subscribers to the Heritage Winnipeg Blog.

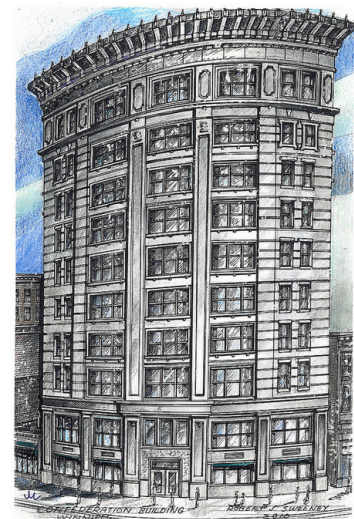
2.6 Educational Outreach & Community Presentations

Heritage Winnipeg continues to provide information to schools and participates in the Manitoba Teachers' Society Professional Development Day (SAGE) Teachers' Conference. In is a good way to raise awareness about the work we are involved in and will be held in October 2015.

In addition we provide information and services to many community leaders and non-profit organizations throughout the year.

2.7 Robert Sweeney Sketches

Heritage Winnipeg was pleased to continue to work with artist Robert Sweeney over the 2014-15 year on showcasing his unique historic sketches. His sketches are available on our website for purchase and all sales help raise funds for our organization. These sketches were made more readily viewable through the website's newly updated Online Store, which includes a link to a gallery of these sketches on Flickr. We would like to continue to work with other artists in the city, as the link between heritage and the arts community is a very valuable partnership.



The line waiting to get into the Manitoba Museum galleries on Manitoba Day.



Executive Director Cindy Tugwell at Heritage Winnipeg's table during the Manitoba Day festivities



2.8 Doors Open Winnipeg 2014

“Celebrating Stories Our Buildings Tell”

This was the 11th annual free public weekend event was held in May 2014. Thousands of Winnipeggers visited building sites and participated in walking tours throughout the city. The 2014 event included 73 participating buildings and events.

Also in 2014, Heritage Winnipeg was proud to hold the 4th annual Doors Open Winnipeg Awards at the Winnipeg Free Press Cafe. Visitors had the chance to vote for their favourite buildings. The winners were awarded a beautiful sculpture created by local artist Jordan van Sewell. The following buildings were recognized:

- Best Restoration: La Maison Gabrielle-Roy at 375 rue Deschambault
- Best Architecture: The Millennium Centre at 389 Main Street
- Best Guided Tour/Programming: Vaughan Street Jail at 444 York Avenue
- The ‘Hidden Gem’: Ukrainian Catholic Metropolitan Cathedral of Sts. Vladimir & Olga at 115 McGregor Street
- Best Overall Experience: Winnipeg Railway Museum at 123 Main Street

Each year, Doors Open Winnipeg is only made possible through the generous support of our sponsors. Please see our website at www.doorsopenwinnipeg.ca for a full list of our sponsors and supporters. Thank you to Travis Kondrak for continuing to update the website this year.

This is also the first year we held a 50/50 raffle as a small fundraiser during the event. It was successful enough that we would like to do it again in 2015, but with a prize list and more advertising beforehand as well.

Doors Open 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 buildings, the over 400 volunteers who helped during the event, the sponsors, and of course the public for coming out to the event! A special thank you to Board Member Greg Agnew for his dedication and support.

Doors Open Winnipeg 2015 will be held on May 30 & 31, 2015 while the 2016 event will be May 28 & 29, 2016.





3.0 PROJECTS AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS

3.1 Heritage Ball Gala Fundraising Dinner



Bill & Shirley Loewen accept a framed set of sketches by artist Robert Sweeney from Heritage Winnipeg, as recognition for their contributions.

After the success of last year’s event, Heritage Winnipeg once again held a gala dinner in the Provencher Room of the Fort Garry Hotel on Saturday, October 4th, 2014.

As part of the evening, Bill and Shirley Loewen were recognized for their ongoing contributions and support of the heritage community. Over the decades, Bill and Shirley Loewen have worked tirelessly to advocate, educate, and provide financial support for the rehabilitation of our built heritage. Moreover, their support has provided the building blocks for many non-profit organizations to continue their mission and providing much needed sustainability for the heritage and arts community.

Thank you to Rick Bel and Ida Albo at the Fort Garry Hotel and everyone who attended the event for their generous support!

3.2 Annual Spring Fundraising Luncheon

Heritage Winnipeg’s Annual Spring Fundraising Luncheon was held on Friday, April 17, 2015 in the Provencher Room of the Fort Garry Hotel. A very special thank you to our keynote speaker and heritage developer, Richard Walls, who spoke to the theme of *Renovation vs. Preservation: A Catalyst for Change and Causes for Concern.*



Guest Speaker Richard Walls at the Spring Luncheon.

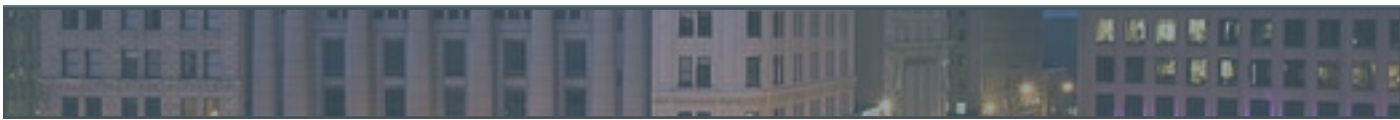
3.3 Restoration of Streetcar 356 - Update

The Streetcar 356 committee is pleased to report real progress these last few months. An agreement with the Midwestern Railway Association has been signed for the housing and workspace at the back of Track 2, Winnipeg Railway Museum, VIA Station on Main St. We have been fortunate to secure the cooperation of Rob Loiselle of YouthBuild M.I.T.T. to utilize his carpentry trainees to build a work platform around the streetcar, and the windows made by the students at Tech Voc. some years ago have gone to YouthBuild for initial preparation. The streetcar has had a video record made of its current condition, thanks to Scott McKay and his helper Luke Deptuch.



This summer, work will begin to jack up the streetcar in preparation for levelling the structure. Then the disassembly of the streetcar will proceed, to ascertain what parts will need renewal, or replacement. It will be a slow process, involving careful recording at all stages of the activity.

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 busses, 1982, has now a companion book, Brian Darragh *The Streetcars of Winnipeg - Our Forgotten Heritage Out of Sight - Out of Mind*, 2015. This archival initiative is a joint venture with The Manitoba Transit Heritage Association, Inc., which has the storage space and an interest in John Bakers bus history work. There are also numerous streetcar related artifacts that will add considerably to the restoration process. We give great thanks for the cooperation of Mrs. Lorie Baker.



The Committee thanks Cindy Tugwell for her ongoing support. We remind all Heritage Winnipeg members that this project needs renewed donations to help it progress towards a 2019 completion, when we can use the restored streetcar as part of the commemoration activities of the 1919 Winnipeg General Strike.

Dave McDowell, Steven Stothers- co-chairs, Jim Kacki, (with room for more active members!)

3.4 Upper Fort Garry Provincial Park, Project Update

“Upper Fort Garry is a key lynchpin of Canadian history. The reality of Upper Fort Garry needs to be reaffirmed for Winnipeggers, Manitobans, and all Canadians.” - John Ralston Saul, Author

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. This provincially designated Heritage Park will be completed this summer but is now officially open to the public. The construction of the Heritage Wall will commence in 2015 to be unveiled sometime before the end of the year. For further updates and the history of this project please visit the website at www.upperfortgarry.ca.



3.5 Shards Project



For many years Heritage Winnipeg has owned an inventory of shards, which have sat dormant at various locations. Additionally, the City of Winnipeg owned many shards on a current site off of Lagimodiere. We understood that the City of Winnipeg wanted to relinquish all legal responsibility of these shards. As per our letter dated July 2013, Heritage Winnipeg has indicated that we would be prepared to take over legal ownership and responsibility of the entire collection, as per the digital inventory provided by the City of Winnipeg. In September 2014 the City of Winnipeg approved the process for Heritage Winnipeg to take over ownership of these shards. We are now in the midst of looking at all the various ways we can promote and use these shards for various projects in

the city and finalizing our agreement.



4.0 ANNUAL PRESERVATION AWARDS

4.1 30th Annual Preservation Awards Ceremony - Via Rail Station, former Union Station -

Heritage Winnipeg was very pleased to hold our 30th annual awards ceremony on Louis Riel Day/National Heritage Day, Monday, February 16, 2015 at the VIA Rail Union Station Rotunda. Over 100 people were in attendance and thank you to all those who attended and the Via Rail Winnipeg Station which recently completed a 6.5 million dollar rehabilitation.

We would like to thank our 2015 Independent Judging Committee: Neil Einarson, Province of Manitoba; Murray Peterson, City of Winnipeg; Jim Kacki, Architect and Board Member; Les Stecheson, Architect; and Kyle Ledhowski, Province of Manitoba. Thank you to the Manitoba Living History Society for their participation in costume at the event.

A big thank you goes out to all the nominees and award recipients who continue to do good heritage sensitive development in Winnipeg. Special congratulations go out to this year's winners:

2015 PRESERVATION AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE:

COMMERCIAL CONSERVATION AWARDED TO:
VIA Rail Canada and Bridgman Collaborative Architecture Ltd., for their work and vision of the historic former Union Station built in 1911 and located at 123 Main Street. For their



VIA Rail Rotunda at 123 Main Street

leadership in the restoration of the historic rotunda, the enhancement of the passenger area, and augmenting the exterior at the back entrance, therefore strengthening the connection of the building from the Forks and Saint Boniface.



*The Bell Building
at 370 Donald Street.*

RESIDENTIAL CONSERVATION AWARDED TO:
The Bell Building Inc. and Neil Cooper Architects Inc., for the downtown condominium project in the historic building built in 1905 and located at 370 Donald Street. For their civic leadership on this residential conversion that sympathetically retains the character of the original building while retaining many of the interior character defining elements.

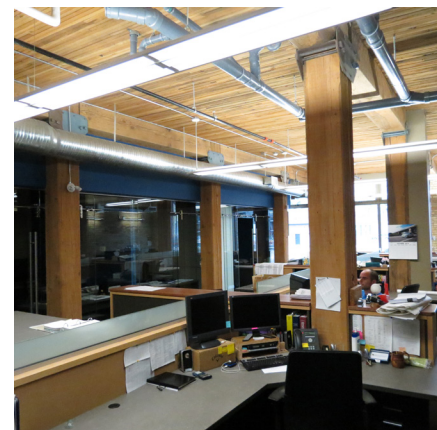
COMMERCIAL CONSERVATION AWARDED TO:
Riverwood Church Community and John Van Leeuwen Architecture for the rehabilitation of the Riverwood Church Community, the former Fire Hall Station 8 located at 325 Talbot Avenue. For their pivotal role in taking great care in rehabilitating this historic building so that it continues to be a landmark in the community as well as a vibrant part of the Elmwood community.



*Riverwood Church Community
at 325 Talbot Avenue*

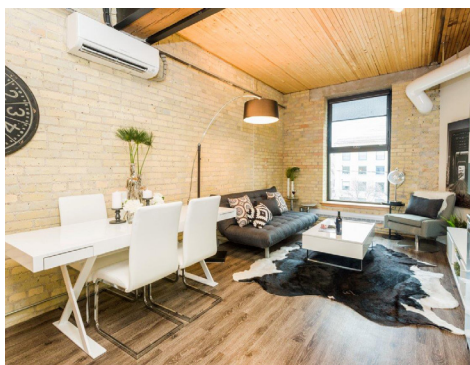


RESIDENTIAL CONSERVATION AWARDED TO:
Veritas Development Corporation and Northern Sky Architecture Inc. for the downtown condominium project in the historic warehouse building built in 1912 located at 128 James Avenue. For their civic and design leadership on this residential conversion that sympathetically retains the character of the original building.



Condo Project at 128 James Avenue

RESIDENTIAL CONSERVATION AWARDED TO:
Streetside Development Corporation and 701 Architecture Inc. for the downtown condominium project in the historic warehouse buildings built in 1910/11, and located presently at 132 James Avenue. For their civic leadership on this residential conversion that sympathetically retains the character of the original heritage buildings at 130 & 132/134 James Avenue.



Cond Project at 132 James Avenue

FOR THE REVITALIZATION OF NORTH MAIN AWARDED TO:

Neechi Commons and the owners of the building located at 859 Main Street, for their leadership in a valuable employment, cultural, and community-building role through their large-scale investment in the North Main area working with existing buildings and the Aboriginal Community. Their work has played a pivotal role in the community by promoting this Aboriginal-based food, art, and social activist centre.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDED TO:
Marie Zorniak as a driving force and long-time chair of the Provincial Red River Heritage Fair. The Heritage Fair activities have been part of Winnipeg's educational offerings since Historica sponsored the first event in 1993. She has volunteered her time and expertise for over twenty years, and has been an integral part of facilitating this event and its long-time success.



Neechi Commons at 859 Main Street



West End Commons & St. Matthew's Anglican Church at 641 St. Matthew's Avenue

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDED TO:
St. Matthew's Anglican Parish and Grain of Wheat Community Church for the adaptive re-use of the historic St. Matthew's Anglican Church built in 1913 and located at the northwest corner of Maryland and St. Matthew's. The converted building contains three components - residential, religious service space, and a neighbourhood resource centre for the community.

5.0 Advocacy Updates for 2014-2015

Dalnavert Museum at 61 Carlton Street



Built in 1895, Dalnavert was the home of Sir Hugh John MacDonald, Manitoba Premier and son of Sir John A. MacDonald, and his family. When the property was threatened with demolition in the early 1970s, a forward-looking group of individuals worked very hard to preserve the home and to restore it with care, accuracy and vision to its 1895 splendor. Opened as a museum in 1974, Dalnavert was managed and operated by the Manitoba Historical Society, stewards of this wonderful resource for 4 decades, eventually overseeing the addition of a beautiful contemporary Visitors' Centre, opened in 2005. After 18 months of closure and amicable negotiation, the Museum is now open under the management of the Friends of Dalnavert Museum. The Friends look forward to welcoming visitors and to developing a new cultural prominence for Dalnavert, a jewel of Winnipeg's museum landscape and a national historic site.

The Friends of Dalnavert Museum

As the new stewards of this museum, the Friends of Dalnavert Museum are committed:

- To preserving and maintaining the Museum building, grounds, and collection;
- To presenting engaging programs and exhibits that interpret the history of the house, its inhabitants, and Winnipeg's early heritage for visitors; and
- To developing partnerships and programming that will make Dalnavert a cultural centre for city residents.

We are pleased to reopen Dalnavert Museum and to begin work to see the Museum and its Visitors' Centre fulfill their full cultural and educational potential in our city and province. We wish to acknowledge in particular the support provided by The Winnipeg Foundation, The City of Winnipeg, The Province of Manitoba, The Manitoba Museum, Heritage Winnipeg and the Manitoba Historical Society. The reopening is the outcome of broad consultation with members of the public, the heritage community and museum industry leaders, museum volunteers, and leaders in our city and province.



Royal Albert Hotel/ Gregg Building on Albert Street

Unfortunately there has been no real progress made with these buildings. They continue to remain underutilized and in poor condition. The hope is the owner will rehabilitate both buildings, but otherwise selling them to a new owner with vision would be ideal.

St. Charles Hotel, 235 Notre Dame Avenue

Over the years HW has advocated that the city pursue taking title so a new owner could have an opportunity to make this a successful heritage project, which is in a prominent location within a National Historic Site. Currently the owner has not proposed a new business plan for re-development and may be open to selling the property, although demolition is still a potential threat.



Former Normal School, 210 Rue Masson

The St. Boniface Normal School, built in 1902 and enlarged in 1928, stands as a symbol of the determination of francophones to sustain their language and culture through education. We have been involved in this project and advocated for the building’s restoration for almost ten years. New owners Port In the Storm are looking at various options for the redevelopment of the heritage building along with the new development that are heritage sensitive and economically viable. Currently they are undertaking a capital campaign to help raise the funds needed for this ambitious heritage rehabilitation project.

Kildonan Presbyterian Church, 210 John Black Avenue

This building is currently designated by the City and Province, however, not unlike other heritage buildings and projects, finding a solution that works for all stakeholders is not always an easy or fast process, yet we are pleased that the first phase of the stabilization work is underway. Thank you to the Province of Manitoba, Historic Resources Branch, and the City of Winnipeg Planning Department for the leadership they have provided in this project.

Millennium Centre, 389 Main Street



Heritage Winnipeg is still trying to progress with creating a Heritage and Arts Centre at the Millennium Centre that would be open to the public year round. Currently the building is only available for private bookings. The Board of Directors is still working hard to move forward on critical funding necessary for operations and capital improvements, in order to move the Heritage Winnipeg office to 389 Main Street. The concept of supporting “Creative Communities” will help support our case. In addition, we will continue to look for much needed funds for hiring a staff person to work on this building project alongside the ED at Heritage Winnipeg. Currently the Winnipeg Foundation and possible government funding could help cover some operating and capital expenses.

This is concurrent with looking at finding a new caterer to take over in 2016, although bookings are continuing. Over the 2014 year the Directors worked tirelessly to continue with restoration work in the Tapestry Room, which included a new chandelier, re-finishing the hardwood floors and repainting. During the 2015 year we would like to secure funding to do relic tapestry and to continue to maintain the building which includes funding for a new roof. Finally we are hoping to receive funding to complete a viable business plan to re-develop the upper floors. This will help raise revenue to help sustain and maintain the operations of the building.

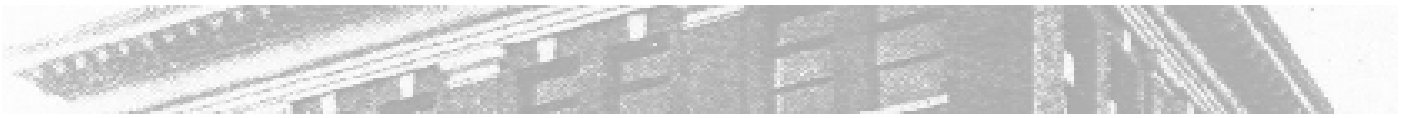
Milner House, 51 Balmoral

In July 2014, Great-West Life Assurance Company appealed the Order dated June 23, 2014, regarding provisions of The Vacant Buildings By-law No.79/2010 for the premises located at 51 Balmoral Street.

The Order stated:

Missing/Peeling Paint throughout the exterior wood surfaces.
Missing/Damage to the mortar throughout the exterior brick/
parging foundation on the exterior of the dwelling. Schedule A
Section 1(1)(a) Construct, repair and maintain the vacant building



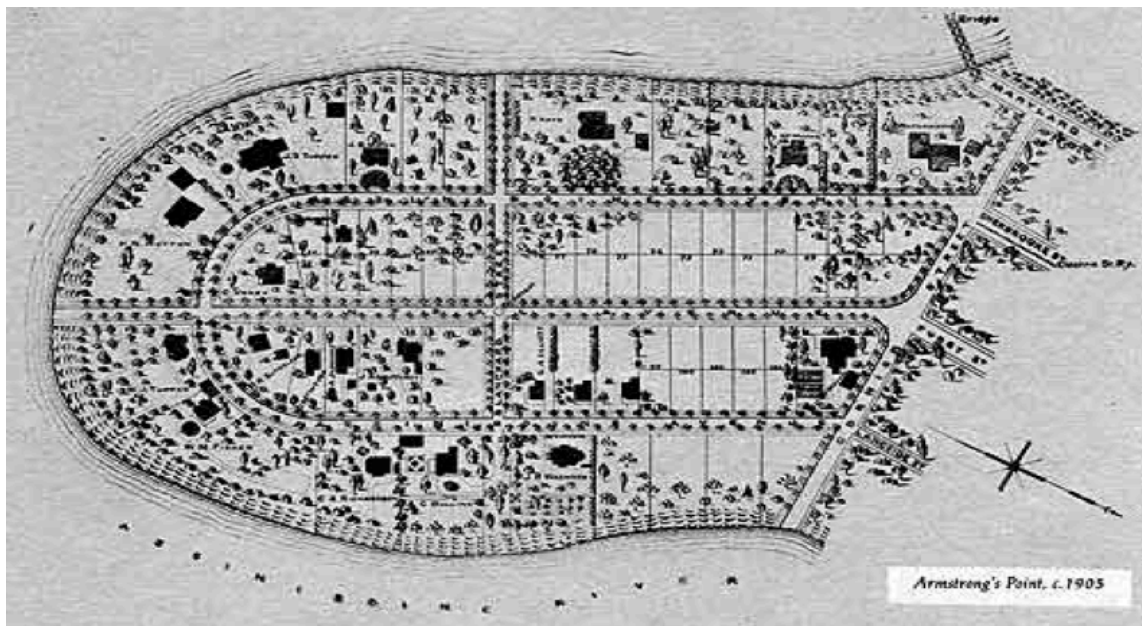


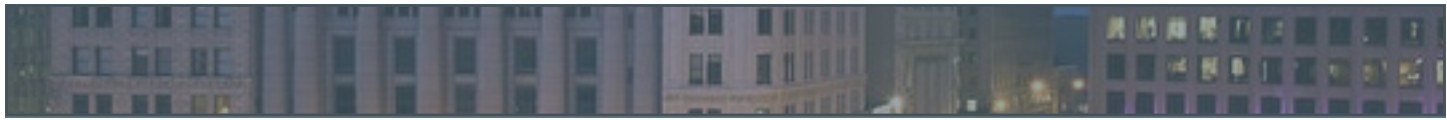
in a manner that ensures the integrity of the building envelope to protect the building from the weather and from infestations of insects, rodents and other pests. Missing/Damaged to Roof Shingles throughout the roof of the dwelling permitting water to enter the interior of the dwelling. Schedule A Section 2(1)(a) Construct and maintain the roof to prevent rainwater or melting snow falling on the roof from entering the building. Water Damage to sections of the Ceilings/Walls throughout the interior of the dwelling which has caused sections of Dry Wall/Plaster to fall from main structure. Schedule A Section 7 ensure that walls and ceilings in the building are maintained in safe condition and free from loose plaster and other hazards.

Great West Life lost the appeal and the roof was to be completed by October 31, 2014 with the interior work to be completed by June 1, 2015. We will continue to work on this advocacy issue in 2015-2016.

Heritage Conservation District - Armstrong's Point Case Study

In May of 2014 year the Conservation District Study framework on policies and procedures was completed by the city and the case study using Armstrong's Point. In early 2015 the Downtown Heritage and Riverbank Standing Committee approved funding for a contract position to complete a Business Plan on creating a Heritage Conservation District with Armstrong's Point as a pilot project. The projected completion would be October or November 2015. This is a big step in moving forward the first ever-residential HCD in Winnipeg and would also open the discussion for the Exchange District to be considered in the future.





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Thank you to all the Board Members and our members for contributing your time, expertise, and monetary support to Heritage Winnipeg during the 2014-2015 year!