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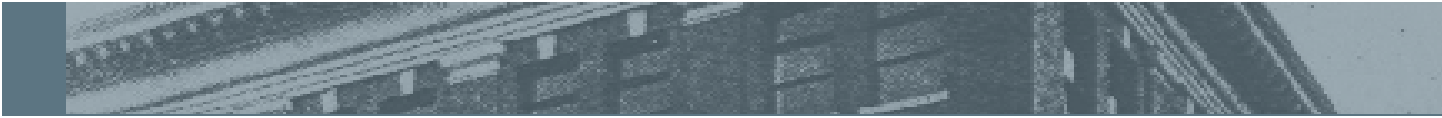
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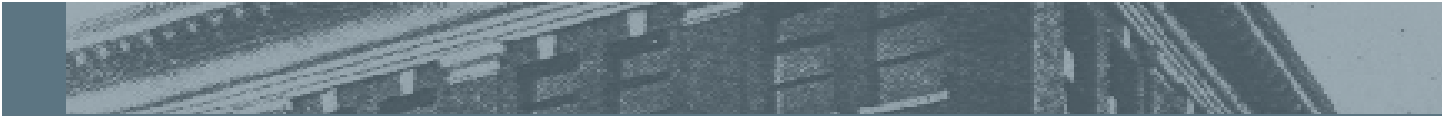


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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION:

Provincial and City 2010-2011 Annual Support

The application for annual funding from the Province of Manitoba, Culture, Heritage and Tourism was submitted in 2010 and included in the proposal were our goals and objectives within our program elements for the 2010-2011 year. The Province of Manitoba contributed \$22,300 in 2010-2011. The first payment (75%) was received in July and the remaining 25% portion in December/January. This support is essential in helping to sustain the organization's projects and programs. Thank you to the Historic Resources Department for all their assistance throughout the year. Provincial support goes toward educational projects and programs such as the Grades 1-12 Educational Outreach Program, and events such as Manitoba Day Celebrations, Annual Preservation Awards Program, and Doors Open Winnipeg.

Heritage Winnipeg's annual City of Winnipeg grant was \$22,600 in support of our various projects and programs in 2010-11. Thank you to Councillor Grant Nordman for his support during the past year as a Heritage Winnipeg Board Member re-appointed by the City of Winnipeg in November 2010.

Thank you to the Director of the City of Winnipeg Department of Planning and Property Development, Land Use Division, Deepak Joshi, and the Senior Heritage Planner, Giles Bugailiskis and his staff. Their support and assistance throughout the year is greatly appreciated.

Membership/Donations/Fundraising

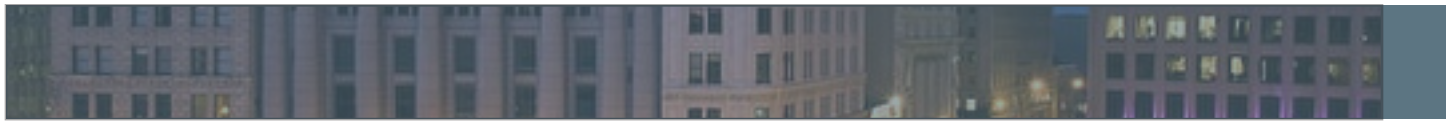
Heritage Winnipeg remained steady with approximately 200 members. We are trying to increase our support from the private sector with memberships from building owners, architects, engineers, and developers. We hope to continue to increase our membership base over the 2011-2012 year, with the help of the newly formed Membership Committee, as this support is a vital part of sustaining our organization.

Heritage Winnipeg continued to contact all current members for their email address. To help keep costs down we are hoping to send out all our correspondence electronically. We thank the members for supporting our organization throughout the year!

Volunteers and Board Members

Heritage Winnipeg counted on the support of many people to accomplish and implement its goals and objectives. The volunteers, members, and Board of Directors play a very pivotal role in our fundraisers, events, projects and programs.

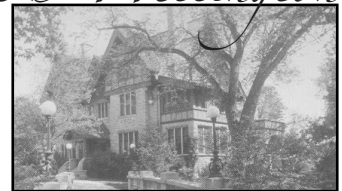




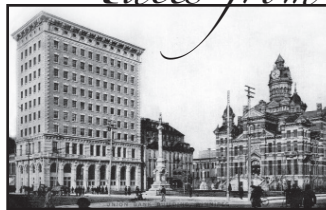
Fall Fundraiser, December 2010 – 529 Wellington Crescent

Heritage Winnipeg held a very elegant fundraising event in early December at 529 Wellington. A legendary restaurant three years in the making. Located on the river in an elegantly restored 1912 mansion on Winnipeg’s most prestigious street, Wellington Crescent. A grand staircase, luxurious draperies, sparkling chandeliers, polished woodwork and beautifully adorned private rooms set the scene for a one-of-a kind dining experience. In 1912-13, James H. Ashdown, also known as the “Merchant Prince” of the hardware trade in Winnipeg, built his third mansion at 529 Wellington Crescent. He was also an alderman, a Mayor and founder of Wesley College, now the University of Winnipeg. The home was built at an original cost of \$45,000 and remained in the family until 1952. Architect J.H.G. Russell, one of Winnipeg’s more prolific architects, chose the architecture of Tudor England. Heritage Winnipeg would like to thank WOW Hospitality Concepts for their generous contribution and to thank Bill Ashdown, great-grandson of James Ashdown, who graciously provided tours during the event.

Fall Fundraiser - 529 Wellington



Spring Luncheon '11 - 'Tales from Bankers' Row'



Spring Fundraising Luncheon – March 25th, 2011

We held our fifth annual heritage luncheon fundraising event at Fort Garry Hotel. A very special thank you to keynote speaker Greg Agnew gave a very interesting presentation “Money Talks: Tales from Banker’s Row.” Thank you to the Fort Garry Hotel for their generous support, and thank you to the fundraising committee: Celine Kear, Nancy Klos, Shelly Slobodzian and Kathleen Leathers for all their hard work.

Office

The office continues to have only one full time position - Cindy Tugwell, Executive Director. Heritage Winnipeg would like to thank our summer student participant and part-time employee, Trevor Grafton. He worked in the office from June 2010 until his departure at the end of March 2011. The program is funded by the Department of Canadian Heritage and the program is delivered by the Heritage Canada Foundation.



Cindy continues to work under the direction of the Board on the various advocacy issues, projects, events and educational programs. She continued her role as Manitoba Governor of Heritage Canada and is in her second year of her second 3-year term. She attends various board meetings throughout the year and the annual conference. It is important to keep the organization abreast of issues of national significance such as the creation of a National Trust, and possible financial incentives from the federal government necessary to help continue to make conservation feasible for building owners and developers.

PUBLIC SERVICE & INFORMATION:

Resource Centre

The resource centre is available to those who are seeking information on architectural heritage, history and urban issues. The centre, which includes videos and slides, continues to be a valuable resource to teachers, students, organizations, and members. Heritage Winnipeg also 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 everyone who donated resource materials for our library.

E-newsletters/Membership

We are currently continuing to update our membership database with email addresses. For information to be distributed quickly and to provide an overview of our current issues and activities we are providing e-newsletters. In addition we continue to tweet our followers to inform them on current issues, news stories that arise, and Heritage Winnipeg events.

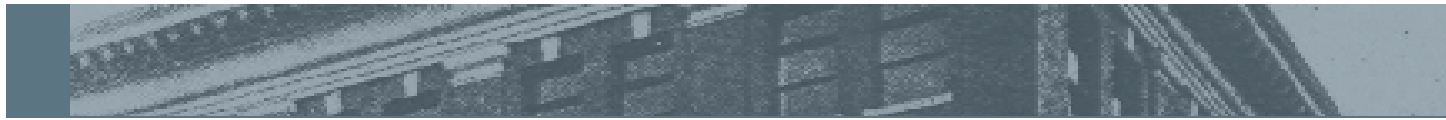
26th Annual Preservation Awards Ceremony

Heritage Winnipeg was very pleased to hold our 26th annual awards ceremony on Louis Riel Day and National Heritage Day, Monday, February 21st, 2011, at the recently rehabilitated Manitoba Indigenous Cultural Education Centre at 119 Sutherland. Over 100 people were in attendance and we had the pleasure of greetings by Federal M.P. for Winnipeg North Ken Lamoureux, Minister of Culture, Heritage, and Tourism Flor Marcelino and City Councillor Grant Nordman. A tour of the building and a wonderful reception was provided after the awards ceremony.

Heritage Winnipeg would like to thank our 2011 Independent Judging Committee: Les Stecheson, Architect, Neil Einason, Province of Manitoba, Jennifer Hansell, City of Winnipeg, Kyle Lewkowich, MAA rep., and Jim Kacki, Architect and Heritage Winnipeg Board Member.

National Heritage Day Posters

Copies of the poster are available free of charge from the Heritage Canada Foundation online at: www.heritagecanada.org.



CONSERVATION AWARDS:

2011 PRESERVATION AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

- INSTITUTIONAL

AWARDED TO The Manitoba Indigenous Cultural Education Centre for the historic rehabilitation project at 119 Sutherland Avenue, for its excellent approach to the sympathetic preservation of a historic exterior and a visionary plan for the interior.

- INSTITUTIONAL

AWARDED TO Bridgman Collaborative Architecture Ltd., for their historic rehabilitation project at the Manitoba Indigenous Cultural Education Centre at 119 Sutherland Avenue, for their excellent approach to the sympathetic preservation of a historic exterior and a visionary plan for the interior.

- RESIDENTIAL

AWARDED TO DPL GROUP (DOBIE PROPERTIES) for their sensitive historic residential conversion of The Parish Hall Lofts (former St. John's Anglican Cathedral Parish Hall) at 181 Church Avenue and for their unique approach to an adaptive re-use project and a solution for sustainability.

- RESIDENTIAL

AWARDED TO PRAIRIE ARCHITECTS for their sensitive historic residential conversion of The Parish Hall Lofts (former St. John's Anglican Cathedral Parish Hall) at 181 Church Avenue and for their unique approach to an adaptive re-use project and a solution for sustainability.

- COMMERCIAL

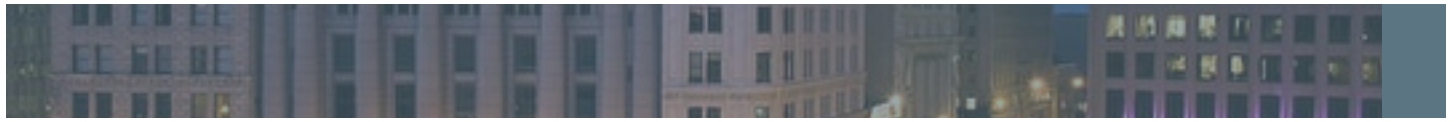
AWARDED TO CentreVenture Development Corporation for the historic Kelly House rehabilitation project at 88 Adelaide Street, for its active approach and direct involvement with stakeholders, and its long-term commitment, pivotal to the project's success.

- COMMERCIAL

AWARDED TO Prairie Architects Inc., for the complete preservation of the historic exterior and for specific heritage interior elements of the Kelly House rehabilitation project at 88 Adelaide Street.



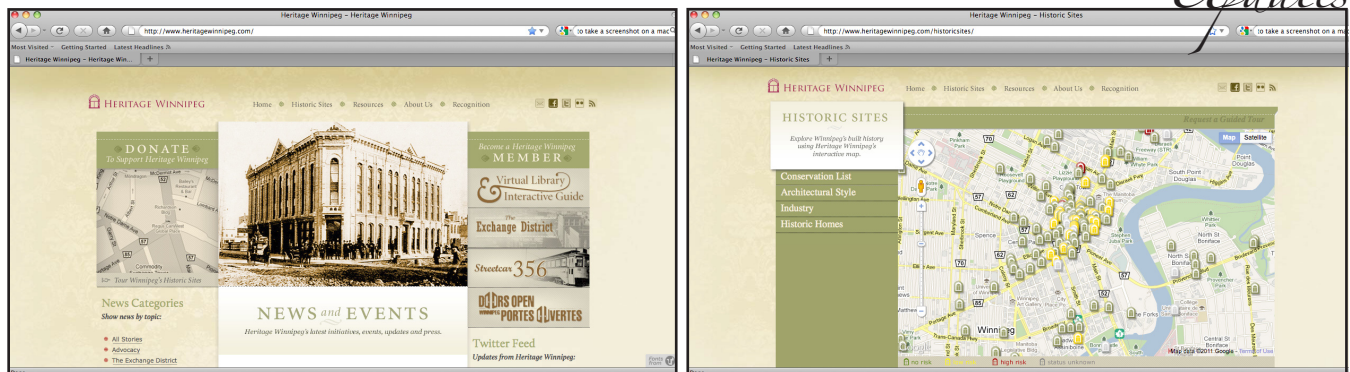
11 Heritage Preservation Awards



Heritage Canada Foundation's Annual Conference 2010 – St. John's, Newfoundland

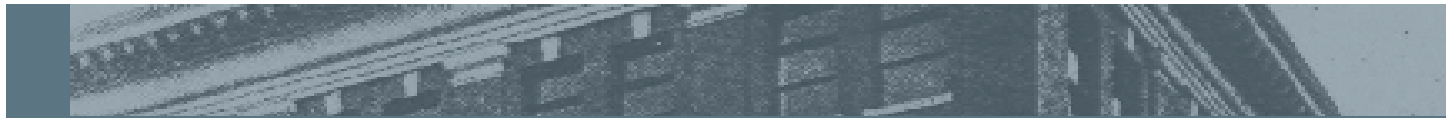
As Manitoba Governor the Executive Director had the pleasure of attending the conference of the Heritage Canada Foundation, which took place in St. John's, Newfoundland in September.

The Heritage Canada Annual Conference was in cooperation with the Canadian Association of Heritage Professionals. Cultivating collaborative solutions for a vibrant future - in the 21st century, Canadian communities are looking for new, organic solutions for the revitalization of older districts and heritage buildings. HFC explored how heritage buildings, social innovation, civic engagement and collaboration can work together to create prosperous and liveable communities. We were inspired at the 2010 Heritage Canada Foundation conference, the premier educational and networking event for heritage conservation practitioners.



Heritage Winnipeg Website – www.heritagewinnipeg.com
Virtual Website – www.virtual.heritagewinnipeg.com

We continued to update our current website throughout the year.
Please visit our website at www.heritagewinnipeg.com for information on events/programs.



Doors Open Winnipeg 2010

“Celebrating Stories Our Buildings Tell”

This was the 7th annual free public weekend event held in May 2010. Thousands of Winnipeggers attended building sites throughout the city. We thank all those who helped make this event such a resounding success. Thanks to the building owners for opening their buildings, the over 300 volunteers who helped during the event, the sponsors, and of course the public for coming out to the event!

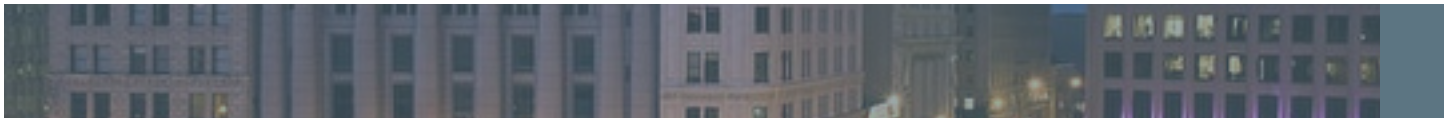
Doors Open Winnipeg 2010 was presented by Heritage Winnipeg. It was made possible with support from our sponsors: The City of Winnipeg, Province of Manitoba, the Winnipeg Foundation, the Winnipeg Free Press, CTV, CentreVenture, Great West Life, Neuhaus Design, the Forks North Portage, The Prolific Group, Pollard Banknote, TelPay, the Downtown BIZ, Manitoba Architects Association, and Blacksheep Strategy. We raised approx. \$45,000 in sponsorships for 2010 to help support this event. Additional in-kind contributions, staff and volunteer time helped to make this event sustainable.

Participating buildings ranged from museums, churches, and banks to theatres and hotels. In total over 50 buildings were showcased along with 7 walking tours. This annual event is held the weekend after the long weekend every year. For more information or volunteer opportunities on this event, please visit www.doorsopenwinnipeg.ca. The event continues to grow each year and we will provide an update on the Doors Open 2011 event in the 2011-12 Annual Report.

Upper Fort Garry Project – www.upperfortgarry.ca

Heritage Park – The demolition of the Grain Exchange Curling Club will begin this summer. This paves the way for the rest of the work on the Park to begin. When complete, the Park will feature historic and heritage content, including demarcations of the original buildings where future artistic interpretations of the buildings will be installed, a grand entrance off Broadway that will lead to the original Governor’s Gate, and lighting that will enhance the inherent beauty of the site and showcase the Gate.





Heritage Wall - The Heritage Wall, which will be constructed on the footprint of the original west wall of the Fort, will be an artistic interpretation of the original west bastion and wall. Visitors to the park will gain a sense of the size of the original walls and Fort, while also learning about its history and importance through the interpretive material displayed on the illuminated surface.

Interpretive Centre - The beautiful interpretive centre has been designed and will be situated on the southwest portion of the property. More work is required to determine the specific space requirements.

In addition, Friends of Upper Fort Garry has added two new members to its board - Michel Lagacé and Dr. Gerry Friesen. Their personal backgrounds and commitment to our mission will add considerable strength to our board. Cindy Tugwell is a current member of the Board of Directors for the Friends of Upper Fort Garry. Thank you to everyone who donated to this historic project!

Armstrong's Point Publication

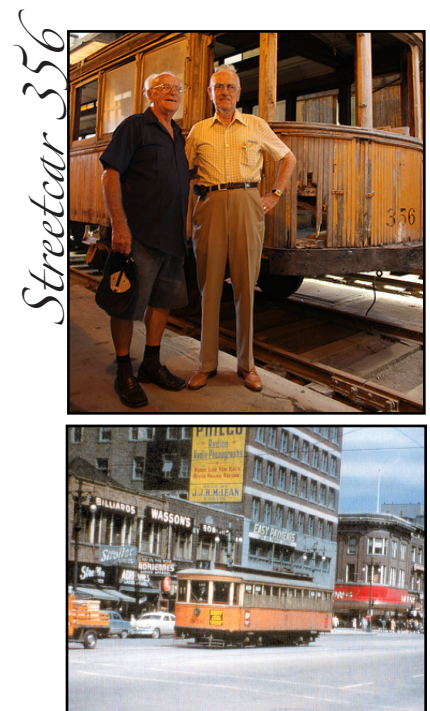
The 2010 Heritage Winnipeg AGM was held at the Ralph Connor House in Armstrong's Point. Our keynote speaker was Ross McGowan, CEO of CentreVenture Development Corporation. The book by author and historian Randy Rostecki continues to be available at our office. It has a wealth of information on historic Armstrong's Point.

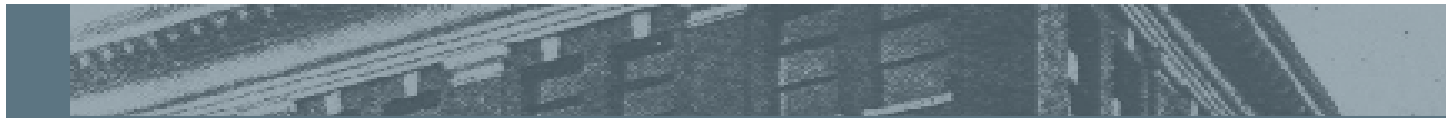
Streetcar 356 - Update

During the 2010-2011 year, the streetcar continued to be stored at the Union Station, 123 Main Street in the Winnipeg Railway Museum located on the 2nd floor. Over the last year, the Streetcar 356 Committee has continued to pursue funding for the restoration of the original wooden car. In addition, in 2010-11 work has been started by JobWorks Youth Builders under the supervision of Robert Loiselle.

The Streetcar 356 Committee continues to raise awareness for the streetcar and sell t-shirts to help raise money. The t-shirts sell for \$19.95 and are still available at the office. You can check out detailed information on the streetcar at www.winnipegstreetcar.com. In addition to our existing provincial grant in 2010 we received a \$10,000 grant from The Winnipeg Foundation towards the rehabilitation of the Streetcar.

Thank you to the Streetcar Committee: David McDowell, Steven Stothers, Christian Cassidy, Robert Loiselle and Jim Kacki for all their hard work over the 2010-2011 year.





ADVOCACY:

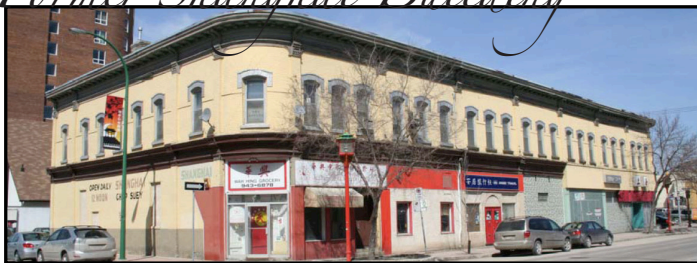
Millennium Centre – 389 Main Street (former Bank of Commerce)

Storm Catering continues to manage the banking hall facilities at the Millennium Centre. The business fully sustains the building in its current capacity, and is run by the Board of 389 Main Street Heritage Corporation. It provides one of the most popular heritage venues in the city for weddings and various events. Over the past year the Board of Directors have been dealing with a vast array of issues from sound equipment and restoration of the Tapestry Room to going forward to create a long-term business plan for the entire building. Canada’s Costume Museum is currently storing their collection in the basement.

Thank you to Mitch Rouire from Storm Catering for the successful management of catering and events at the building. Thank you to Mr. Bill Loewen, Chair, and the Board of Directors for their continued dedication.

During the 2010-11 year Cindy Tugwell was Secretary of the 389 Main Street Heritage Corporation and will continue as Treasurer for the 2011-12 year.

Former Shanghai Building



Overview of Advocacy Issues for 2010-2011

Former Shanghai Restaurant Building (228 King Street) – Built in 1882 and where City Council had their first Council meeting. It was designated by the city but last year was de-listed. Demolition will be approved once The Chinatown Development Corporation has presented an approved business plan for senior housing to City Councillors.

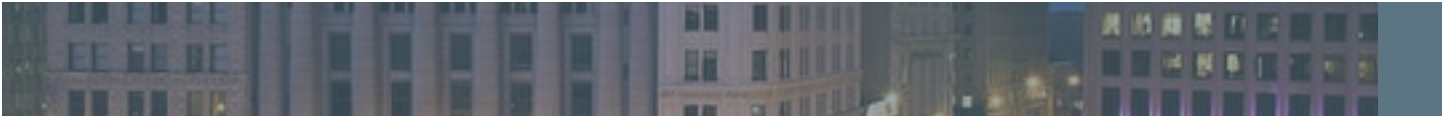
Citadel Building/Former Salvation Army (221 Rupert) – Currently no re-development plan is in place but it is a designated and is a significant heritage building in the Exchange District.

Salvation Army Citadel



Milner House (56 Balmoral) – Currently owned by Great West Life, Heritage Winnipeg is pursuing the feasibility of moving this historic home.

Maw’s Garage (114 King Street) – An original proposal for an outdoor patio to replace the historic garage was turned down by the area residents. No further plans by the owners to pursue have been announced.



Former Normal School



Former Normal School (210 Rue Masson) – On May 19, 2005, the Historical Buildings Committee unanimously recommended that the former St. Boniface Normal School (Residence Langevin) not be delisted. Since then no solution has been reached between the owners and the stakeholders. Over the 2010-11 year Heritage Winnipeg has been working in partnership with Enterprises Riel and the Knights of Columbus, with the support of the city, province, and Heritage St. Boniface, to find a viable solution.

168 Bannatyne Avenue – A rooftop addition was rejected by City Councillors, as stakeholders felt the design was not in keeping with the historic streetscape.

Boyd Building (384 Portage Avenue) – The owners, without the city’s permission, installed a large electric sign on the historic Boyd building. They have been requested to remove the sign but to date it has not happened. It is now legal matter. We will continue to follow this issue.

Vaughan Street Jail (444 York Avenue) – built in 1881 and is the oldest and last remaining public building in the city from that year still standing. Its old discolored bricks, peeling roof paint and empty cells are all that remain of this once attractive and busy facility. Rusty barred windows hint at its former life as a correctional facility and add a foreboding ambiance to its exterior. This building has its share of stories to tell, stories of the inmates, mentally insane, and of executions. The last public building of its age still standing in Winnipeg, and perhaps in Manitoba, the jail was removed from Heritage Winnipeg’s Doors Open tours four years ago. The Friends of Vaughan Street Jail and HW continue to stay updated with the Province of Manitoba to support an alternate use and protection for this heritage building.

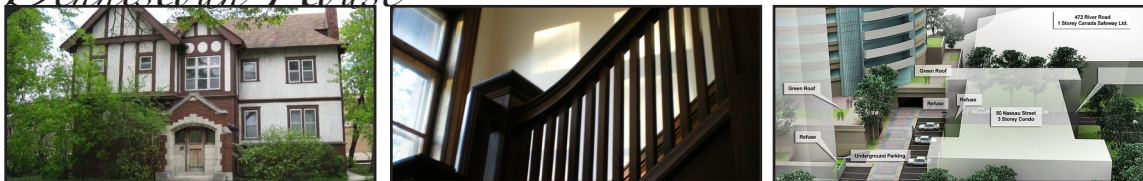


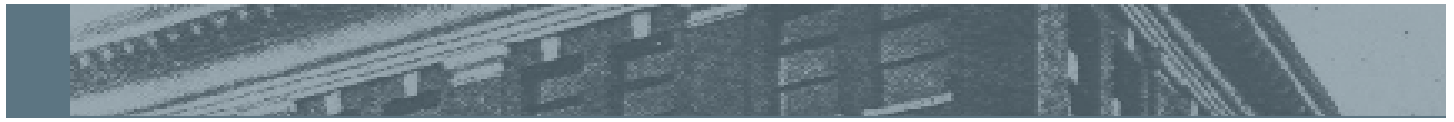
168 Bannatyne

Image courtesy of Centre Venture

Dennistoun House (166 Roslyn Crescent) – Preservationists use Dennistoun House in Osborne Village to illustrate the fragility of heritage protection -- it all depends on political will. The building was sound, on the city’s conservation list, and stood in a beloved old neighbourhood recognized by a secondary planning document as deserving special attention during development. The owners wanted it gone to build condos. City council agreed and when it went to court, the judge said the city was within its rights to delist it.

Dennistoun House



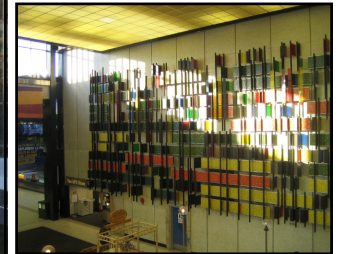
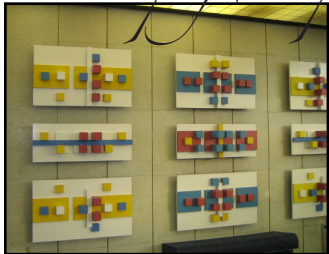


Heritage Canada Foundation's 10 Most Endangered List

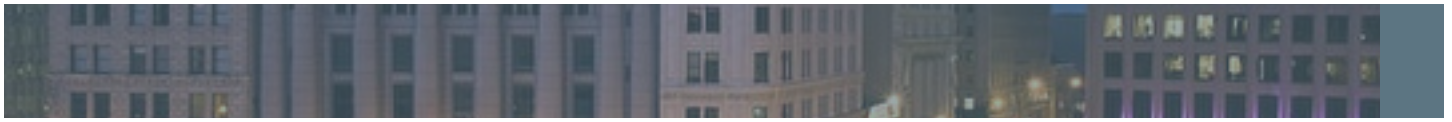
Winnipeg Airport Terminal – Heritage Winnipeg has been working over the past 2 years, along with the Manitoba Historical Society and the Heritage Canada Foundation. In 2008 Heritage Canada put the terminal on their 10 most endangered list. The terminal is historically significant and it was advocated to the Winnipeg Airport Authority and to the Federal government to designate the building to protect it while a feasible proposal for re-development could be sought out. The future of this extraordinary public building is dependent upon it overcoming inadequate protective legislation at the federal level, and the willingness of Transport Canada to support efforts to find an ongoing sympathetic use.

Built between 1961 and 1964, the Winnipeg James Armstrong Richardson International Airport is widely recognized as one of the finest examples of mid-century modern architecture in Canada. Originally part of a national network of sophisticated, art-filled air terminals built between 1958 and 1964, Winnipeg remains the only major terminal that has not been either renovated beyond recognition or demolished. Its future, however, is in jeopardy. Its owner, Transport Canada, is currently building a new air terminal that is scheduled to open shortly. Meanwhile, no solid plans for the reuse of the old terminal have come forward. The most memorable part of the airport is the passenger concourse, a rectangular pavilion with a clear-span steel structure, glazed on the east and west sides, with solid walls on the north and south ends. Between 1986 and 1994, a renovation and expansion of the building was undertaken, but the approach was very sensitive to the original design and did not impair the character of the building.

Winnipeg Airport Terminal



Warehouse District – Unchecked demolition and unsympathetic replacement buildings are diminishing a turn-of-the-century concentration of buildings unrivalled in Canada. Winnipeg's Warehouse District, which includes the renowned Exchange District National Historic Site (NHS) of Canada, is arguably the finest, most intact and extensive turn-of-the-century downtown area in all of Canada. It is distinguished by the integrity of its streetscapes and its vernacular structures, as well as its larger and more architecturally exceptional buildings. The heritage value of the warehouse district to the north of the Exchange District NHS is often overlooked and less diligently protected. While some heritage buildings in the district have been successfully restored in recent years—the Union Bank building (500-504 Main Street) and Kelly House (88 Adelaide Street)—the list of demolitions is growing. City Council decisions have undermined the effectiveness of heritage building protection and set dangerous precedents for future development.



LEGAL AND ECONOMIC INSTRUMENTS:

Over the last year there were many heritage projects well underway including the Avenue/Hample building that are being converted into affordable apartments and also the Metropolitan Theatre, which is currently being restored concurrent with an approved business plan and funding. 2010-11 also saw the completion of the preservation of the King/Ryan building facade and the successful undertaking of the historic Barber House in Point Douglas.

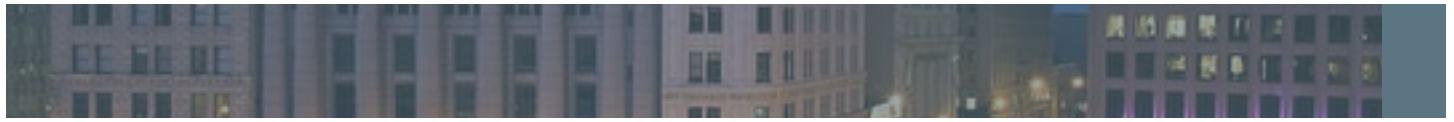
CentreVenture Development Corporation

Ross McGowan, CEO of CentreVenture was the keynote speaker at the 2010 Heritage Winnipeg AGM held at the historic Ralph Connor House. He gave an overview of all the current and future development projects, most of which involved heritage buildings.

Under the Downtown Heritage Program, the Capital Grants Initiative and Heritage Tax Credits Program were again available for heritage buildings in the downtown that are municipally designated. There continues to be interest in residential living in the downtown area with the current undertaking of the Avenue/Hample building thanks to the developers Rick and Mark Hofer. CentreVenture Development Corporation continues working with stakeholders to help develop heritage buildings in the downtown. Red River College is currently rehabilitating the former Union Bank building at 504 Main Street. Central Park saw the restoration of the Waddell Fountain and the Exchange District saw the completion of the ultra-modern Cube in Old Market Square. In addition, CentreVenture has purchased several buildings on Main Street for potential rehabilitation including the Bell Hotel.

Historical Buildings Committee

The Historical Buildings Committee completed a review of Historical Buildings By-Law 1474/77 and it is still under review by the city. As part of the process Heritage Winnipeg will speak in delegation regarding the amendments. Under the terms of the Historical Buildings By-Law, the city identifies, designates and otherwise protects heritage structures from demolition and unsympathetic alterations. In addition, the Downtown Winnipeg Zoning By-Law provides for design controls in the Exchange District as a means of preserving that area's nationally significant collection of pre-and-post 1900 warehouses, office towers, banks, and industrial buildings.



EDUCATION:

Part of Heritage Winnipeg's role is to help educate students and others of all ages about history and heritage. Currently Heritage Winnipeg participates on an ongoing basis speaking to schools, libraries and various groups and organizations throughout the city. This also includes special walking tours of the Exchange District and surrounding areas. We participated in the 2010 Heritage Fairs at Sargent Park School and at the Provincial Fair at the University of Winnipeg, Duckworth Centre. In May of 2011 we will be one of the organizations presenting heritage-based project winners with some prizes.

Manitoba Day 2010

In May 2010, Heritage Winnipeg again partnered with Creative Retirement Manitoba helping to celebrate Manitoba's 140th year. We celebrated at St. John's High School, which was celebrating their 100th anniversary. This marked the 11th year of celebrating Manitoba Day and our history with a Winnipeg school. Heritage Winnipeg made presentations about our built heritage

St. John's High School



Educational Outreach Program

Heritage Winnipeg will continue to augment our educational program in which we can make ongoing presentations and walking tours to schools in Winnipeg with the help of some funding. In the 2010-2011 year we made many educational presentations at various locations throughout the city.

Young Canada Works in Heritage Institutions Program

Heritage Winnipeg again participated in the Young Canada Works in Heritage Institutions Summer Student Program 2010-11. The objective is to provide returning university and college students with valuable work experience, while enriching their appreciation for Canada's heritage achievements. The Department of Canadian Heritage, in cooperation with the Heritage Canada Foundation, covers a percentage of funds, with the remaining percentage being the responsibility of the employer. In the summer of 2010 Heritage Winnipeg was pleased to employ Trevor Grafton, a University of Manitoba student in the Faculty of Architecture, specializing in Urbanism and Landscape Architecture. We look forward to following his accomplishments. The program was funded for 16 weeks and then extended for a total of 600 hours. We would like to thank the department of Canadian Heritage, The Heritage Canada Foundation. Thank you to the Canadian Wheat Board for their support of the program for the 2010-11 year.



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Thank you to all of the Board Members for contributing your time and expertise to Heritage Winnipeg during the 2010-11 year.