

ON Historic Places Initiative

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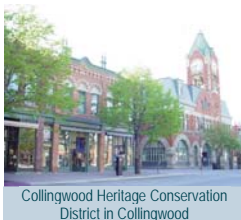
This quarterly bulletin features news on the Historic Places Initiative in Ontario

The Historic Places Initiative is a pan-Canadian federal-provincial-territorial partnership intended to increase appreciation of historic places and to strengthen communities' capacity to conserve and promote their historic places.

Milestone

More than 100 Ontario properties on the Canadian Register of Historic Places

In its first year of participation in the Historic Places Initiative, Ontario listed the first archaeological site to the Register, the Lawson Site in London, and listed the first heritage conservation district to the Register, the Collingwood Heritage Conservation District.



Collingwood Heritage Conservation District in Collingwood

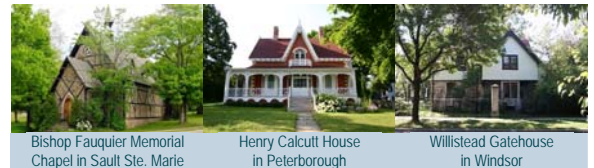


Lawson Site in London

Located at historicplaces.ca, the Register is a searchable database of historic places nominated by federal, provincial, and territorial governments. Use the Register to research your own community's history; learn about other parts of Canada; and locate places to visit on vacation, including places participating in Doors Open Ontario, which runs this year from April to October. Visit doorsopenontario.on.ca for more information.

Spotlight on three municipalities

Commitment recognized at Heritage Day Celebrations



As the first municipalities to commit to nominating all designated heritage properties to the Canadian Register of Historic Places, the Cities of Sault Ste. Marie, Peterborough, and Windsor will each receive a certificate from the Honourable Madeleine Meilleur, Minister of Culture at the 2006 Heritage Day Celebration held by the Ontario Heritage Trust at the Elgin and Winter and Garden Theatre on February 20th. Preparing nominations for the Register involves hard work and research, and the Minister applauds all municipalities participating in the Historic Places Initiative.

Click into your heritage today!

Challenging heritage enthusiasts everywhere

Think you know Canada's historic places? Challenge yourself with our special cross-country heritage quiz, printed on the reverse of this newsletter. See how many of the sites across Canada you can correctly locate and check your answers at historicplaces.ca

Innovative solutions

Making Statements of Significance in French possible

Since completion of Phase 1 of the Ontario Heritage Portal project, more than 20 municipalities have submitted nominations to the Canadian Register of Historic Places electronically. Work is currently underway to enable French translation and online French language nomination of all Ontario listings to the Register.



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The next issue of *ON Historic Places Initiative* will be released in June 2006. Visit www.culture.gov.on.ca or contact Yvonne Yuen at yvonne.yuen@mcl.gov.on.ca for more information.