

# Heritage Award Information Sheet

**Property Heritage Awards honour outstanding achievements in conservation, craftsmanship, advocacy and adaptive reuse. To qualify for recognition, achievements should demonstrate excellence through:**

- **Leadership:** Shows bold initiative, inspires others, embodies a conservation ethic, makes conservation a high priority.
- **Commitment:** Demonstrates an investment of time and resources, shows perseverance and dedication.
- **Creativity:** Finds the best conservation solution using ingenuity, including: innovative approaches, vision, communications, or new technology.
- **Impact:** Makes a difference to the community, county or province. Benefits the broader public good or has value.
- **Quality of Conservation:** Demonstrates a high calibre or standard of conservation practice. A heritage property that has been well maintained or that is an enhancement to a neighbourhood or the community.

## Award Category Definitions

**Heritage Property Conservation Award:** Presented to property owners who have demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the conservation, restoration and preservation of built heritage.

**Heritage Professionals:** (Architects, Engineers, Archaeologists, Designers and Property Developers) Presented to professionals who have demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the conservation, restoration and preservation of built heritage.

**Sustainable Design in Heritage Award:** Presented to property owners who have demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the conservation of built heritage in a sustainable manner, including the introduction of energy conservation measures.

**Making Heritage Accessible:** Presented to property owners who have demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the conservation of heritage by making an inaccessible property accessible to all citizens.

**Cultural Heritage Landscape Award:** Recognizes the efforts of an individual or team who has demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the conservation of cultural heritage landscapes.

**Heritage Group, Society or Specialty Team Award:** Recognizes the efforts of a heritage group, society or specialty team who has demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the conservation of heritage.

**Education in Heritage Award:** Recognizes the efforts of local historians and educators who have played a significant role in educating people on the conservation of tangible and intangible heritage.

**Volunteer Acknowledgement Award:** Recognizes the efforts of a volunteer who has demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the conservation of heritage.

**Adaptive Reuse of Heritage Property Award:** Recognizes the efforts of reusing an existing building for a purpose other than which it was originally built.

## Helpful Heritage Definitions

- Restoration or adaptive reuse projects: revealing, recovering or representing the state of a historic place, or of an individual component, as it appeared at a particular period in its history while protecting its heritage value (based on photographic or other evidence).
- Preservation: protecting, maintaining or stabilizing the existing form, material and integrity of a historic place, or of an individual component, while protecting its heritage value.
- Rehabilitation: the sensitive adaptation of a historic place or of an individual component for a continuing or compatible contemporary use, while protecting its heritage value that is achieved through repairs, alterations and/or additions.
- New Design-Infill: new design, which is sympathetic to heritage properties and streetscapes with respect to building scale, height, massing, roofline, architecture and finishing materials in existing developed areas or neighbourhoods.
- New Design-Addition: new design involving a structural addition(s) to an existing heritage building that is sympathetic to or compatible with the original or established building design with respect to scale, height, massing, fenestration (window pattern), roofline and/or finishing materials.
- Other contributions to the preservation, restoration and enhancement of heritage resources.