

Awards Committee Report 2012

As in the past, the Frontenac Heritage Foundation gave two sets of awards for the conservation of heritage properties, those given annually with Downtown Kingston in the spring and those given annually by the FHF on its own in the fall. Sometimes there is a bit of overlap between these sets of awards. Those awarded jointly with Downtown Kingston are selected by a committee that includes Rob Tamblyn (Downtown Kingston), Marc Letourneau (Heritage Planner, City of Kingston), and Paul Christianson (Chair of our Awards Committee). Those awarded by the FHF are recommended by our Awards Committee (consisting of Paul Christianson, Chair, Rob Crothers, and Helen Finley) and approved by the Board. In 2011, we were pleased to present a good number of awards at these two venues. I would like to thank my fellow committee members for their valuable help.

Paul Christianson, Chair of the Awards Committee

Heritage Week Awards, May 18, 2011

128-136 Ontario Street

Building Owner: Dr. Dijana (Deanna) Oliver
Business Owners: Clinic Pharmacy – Teric Liu
The Common Market – Louise Stalker & Ian Todd
Engineers/Design: Roney Engineering, E.R. Trought Design
Contractor: Norm Irwin Construction
Mason: Upper Canada Stonehouse Group Ltd



128-136 Ontario Street / Paul Christianson 2012

78-80 Princess Street

Building Owner: Elia Anagnostopoulos, Rocksolid Group
Store Owners: Glenda Meyer, Olden Green
Tanya Harrington, Feel Yoga
Contractor: Mark Gray, Ecclesiastical Refinishing Group
Carpentry: Roberts and MacDougall Building Ltd.



78-80 Princess Street/ Paul Christianson 2010

Lower Princess Street and King Street Revitalization Project

Owner:

City of Kingston, Utilities Kingston
Represented by Jim Keech

Contractor:

Stacey Corcoran, Len Corcoran Excavating



Down Princess Street at King Street / Paul Christianson 2012

FHF Heritage Conservation Awards, October 11, 2011

Conservation of Municipal Heritage Properties: Kingston City Hall, Visitor Information Centre, and Wartman House

Certificate of Commendation: The City of Kingston, owner.

Certificates of Appreciation: McCormick Rankin Corporation, engineering.

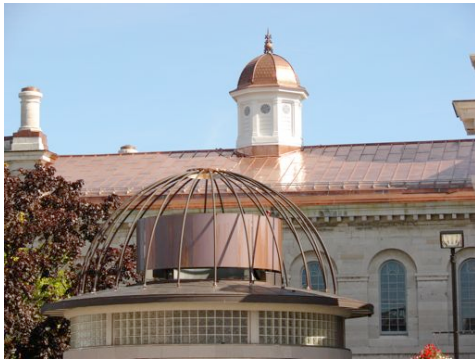
André Scheinman, heritage consultant.

Roof Tile Management, roofs on Kingston City Hall and the Visitor Information Centre

Wartman House: MacKinnon Construction, contractor.

Kerr's Roofing, roof.

MacKay Restorations, stonework.



Kingston City Hall, 216 Ontario Street / Paul Christianson 2011



Visitor Information Centre, 209 Ontario Street / Paul Christianson 2011



Wartman House with its new roof and woodwork/ Helen Finley 2011

136 Ontario Street, The Common Market

Certificate of Commendation: Dr. Dijana Oliver, owner.

Certificates of Appreciation: Norm Irwin, carpentry.

Upper Canada Stonehouse Group Ltd., stonework.

Louise Stalker, interior furnishings and design.



The Common Market / Paul Christianson 2011

262 Princess Street: Trailhead

Certificate of Commendation: Trailhead, Owner.

Certificates of Appreciation: Patrick Powers Construction, carpentry and construction.

Ecclesiastical Refinishing Group, entrance façade.

Andrea Belliveau, exterior painting.



262 Princess Street, Trailhead/ Paul Christianson 2011

218 King Street East: Excalibur

Certificate of Commendation: Robin Quarick and Laurie Davey-Quarick, Owners.

Certificates of Appreciation: Upper Canada Stonehouse Group Ltd., masons and contractors.

Norm Irwin Contracting, carpentry.



218 King Street East/ Paul Christianson 2011

189 King Street West: “Willow Cottage”

Certificate of Commendation: Henry and Caroline Aaverns, Owners.

Certificates of Appreciation: Mac Gervan and Associates, Ltd., Project Manager.

Concord Homes, carpentry and construction.

Dahm Painting and Decorating, painting.



189 King Street West/ Paul Christianson 2011

97 Centre Street

Certificate of Commendation: Beth and Jim Leake, Owners.

Certificate of Appreciation: Patrick Powers Construction, contractor



97 Centre Street / Paul Christianson 2011

Margaret Angus Award: Helen and Gerald Finley

Helen and Gerald Finley were founding members of the Frontenac Historic Foundation (as it was then known) and have remained active members since the early 1970s. They played an important role in helping to establish heritage goals in Kingston in the early 1970s.

Helen served from 1971-4 on the Committee for Architectural Review of the City of Kingston which published the first three volumes of *Buildings of Architectural and Historic Significance, Kingston, Canada*.

Gerald chaired the committee that was responsible for the FHF's exhibition "Decline and Fall: The Architecture of Kingston and Frontenac County", for the Agnes Etherington Museum in 1976. The positive side of this exhibition appeared in the catalogue: *In Praise of Older Buildings* (Frontenac Historic Foundation: Kingston, 1976), a classic introduction.

This catalogue made a strong and persuasive case for conservation and still provides an elegant introduction to the characteristics of heritage buildings. It included many photographs of demolished buildings of great character, such a Plymouth Square, whose Greek Revival woodwork enlivened the exhibition. The catalogue also listed the names and addresses architects, contractors, and a variety of craftsmen that readers could contact to carry out the conservation of their own heritage properties.

In addition to writing about heritage conservation, Helen and Gerald showed how to do it properly. Together they have conserved seven buildings in the old Sydenham Ward: 103 Wellington Street (a Greek Revival cottage from 1837), 53 Earl Street (a classical limestone terrace house from 1844, for which they received a FHF Award), 52-56 Earl Street (a pair of Queen Anne Revival houses from 1886 and 1905, made into apartments in the 1920s), 50 Earl Street (a brick townhouse from 1875), 48 Earl Street (a frame cottage from c. 1880, which received a FHF Award), and 44 Earl Street (an early limestone cottage from c. 1828, which received a FHF Award). In addition they conserved a heritage log cabin near Vennacher in north Lennox and Addington County.

These projects took place over several decades, starting in the mid-1960s with 103 Wellington Street and stretching forward to 2009, when 44 Earl Street was finished. They have led by example, always showing scrupulous attention to restoring original details or providing replacement windows, doors, and other elements that were appropriate to era of the particular building that they were working on.

Also, they have quietly done a host of things to further the cause of heritage, such as recording the interior and exterior of buildings that are about to be demolished. In recent years, Helen has been a regular observer and commentator at the Municipal Heritage Committee meetings and an excellent watchdog for heritage at meetings of City Council and open meetings held in Kingston on heritage properties, as well. She writes a regular Heritage Column for *Vista*, the monthly publication of the Kingston Seniors Association. She has served as a member of the Awards Committee of the FHF for many years and acted as an excellent source for the Watch Committee. And she works on the Heritage Properties Research Group to further the listing and designation of heritage properties.

On behalf of the members and Board of Directors of the Frontenac Heritage Foundation, I am pleased formally to bestow our highest honour for a lifetime of outstanding achievement, the Margaret Angus Award, upon Helen and Gerald Finley and congratulate them for their magnificent contribution to heritage in Kingston, Frontenac County, and Loyalist Township.