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New Jennifer McKendry Book Now Available

‘Kingston, the Limestone City: Stone Buildings in the Kingston Region’

The Frontenac Heritage Foundation is pleased to announce that a new book has been published by Jennifer McKendry with the assistance of a grant from the **City of Kingston** and the **Kingston Association of Museums, Art Galleries and Historic Sites (KAM)**.

The new volume is now available for sale at **Novel Idea**, Princess & Bagot, Kingston. Contact the bookstore at novid@kingston.net 613-546-9799; check their website for pandemic hours and options for purchase. Curbside service is available.

Dr. McKendry is widely published with books on brick and wooden buildings – this one examines stone structures from 1790 to 1930 in the Kingston region. The book reflects the city’s motto “the limestone city” from the 1870s to the present day. Kingston’s reliance on the stone forming its bedrock, generally only a few feet below the surface, mainly occurred during the 19th century. Its competition was log and frame but even those structures needed to be raised on stone foundations. Brick began to outpace stone as the century drew to a close, but still used stone for foundations and detailing. Technological changes in the form of concrete and steel forced stone into becoming a veneer after about 1900. Quarries, tools, fences, wall construction and carving are also among the topics explored. Included is a chronology of building activity from 1790 to 1930.

The book, 306 pages in length, is illustrated in colour, is 8.5 by 11 inches in size, and is available in both soft cover, \$44, and in hard cover at \$66.

Jennifer McKendry is a local Kingston architectural historian, a photographer and an author of such books as *Architects in the Kingston Area*, *Woodwork in Historic Buildings of the Kingston Region*, *Bricks in 19th-Century Architecture of the Kingston Area*, *Modern Architecture in Kingston*, and *With Our Past before Us: 19th-Century Architecture in the Kingston Area*.

The Frontenac Heritage Foundation is pleased to partner with the City, KAM and the author to assist in the publication of this new volume which focuses attention on the importance of our irreplaceable stone buildings from the earliest examples through to the beginnings of the 20th century.

When conditions permit, an in-person book launch will be held. For more information, contact Shirley Bailey, President, at 343-363-1901, Penny Sharman, Executive Director at 613-766-2599 or at contact@frontenacheritage.ca, or alternatively Jennifer McKendry at 613-544-9535.