

Successful Commerical-Municipal Partnership Recognized with Provincial Heritage Award

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In 1967, The Ontario Historical Society (OHS) established an awards program to recognize individuals, organizations, corporations, and authors who have contributed significantly to the preservation and promotion of Ontario's heritage.

The President's Award recognizes a corporation, business, or individual that has contributed to heritage preservation in the recent past. The recipient of the 2015 OHS President's Award is Ivanhoé Cambridge.



Ivanhoé Cambridge is a Canadian real estate development firm established in 1953 in Quebec. In 2007, they partnered with the City of Waterloo to create a 4000-square-foot community space in the new Conestoga Mall. The space was originally intended as a rental room for community events and parties, but Ivanhoé Cambridge felt that the space could be used more effectively.

Ivanhoé Cambridge and the City came to an agreement to host Waterloo's museum collection within the city's largest shopping centre, creating a unique opportunity to showcase local heritage and to provide valuable community programming. Karen VandenBrink, Museum & Archival Collections Manager at the City of Waterloo Museum told the OHS that she has been "beyond impressed" with the relationship that has developed between Ivanhoé Cambridge and the municipality.

As a global leader in real estate development, Ivanhoé Cambridge has shown an exceptional dedication to community investment and philanthropy, at home and abroad. This particular example is evidence of their commitment to the promotion of local history and public education in Ontario and all across Canada.

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Founded in 1888, the Ontario Historical Society is a non-profit corporation and registered charity dedicated to the preservation and celebration of Ontario's history for people of all ages and cultural backgrounds.

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