



# Wolfe Island Historical Society Honoured 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 Scadding Award is presented to a historical society or heritage group that has made an outstanding contribution to the field of history. The OHS is pleased to announce that the winner of the 2015 Scadding Award of Excellence is the **Wolfe Island Historical Society**.



*Chair of the OHS Honours and Awards Committee Ian Radforth (far left) and OHS Treasurer Bob Leech (far right) present the 2015 Scadding Award to representatives from the Wolfe Island Historical Society. From left to right are Hank Connell, President; Brian Johnson; and Brian MacDonald.*

The Wolfe Island Historical Society, founded in 2005, has shown impressive dedication to the protection, preservation, and promotion of the heritage of Wolfe Island.

In cooperation with the Marine Museum of the Great Lakes at Kingston, the Society has focussed on the lumbering, ship building, and transportation history of the Island. The Society has organized a lecture series, restored heritage monuments, and publishes *Windward*, a journal dedicated to the heritage of Wolfe Island. The group also conducts walking tours, produces publicly accessible newsletters, and presents talks on topics ranging from genealogy to the War of 1812.

In addition, the Society's collection of artifacts is housed in a facility owned by the Township of Frontenac Islands and they have an arrangement with Queen's University to archive important historical documents.

The breadth of activities that this group accomplishes and the impact it has on the Wolfe Island community is remarkable, especially considering the town has a population of only 1200 people. The Wolfe Island Historical Society is highly deserving of the Scadding Award of Excellence.

The award was presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Historical Society at the Ontario Legislative Assembly in Toronto, Ontario.

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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