

OHS Carnochan Award Recognizes John Sabean's Decades of Service to the Ontario Heritage Sector

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The Ontario Historical Society's Carnochan Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes an individual who has contributed many years of service to the heritage community. This year, the OHS is pleased to present the Carnochan Award to John Sabean.

For more than 25 years, John Sabean has served his community as a tireless advocate for heritage preservation. Last year, the Pickering Township Historical Society (PTHS) celebrated their 25th anniversary—a group that was co-founded by Sabean in 1997 and has boasted a large membership of passionate heritage advocates since its creation. Sabean served as President of this exemplary historical organization for 17 years (2001–2018), serving for an additional four years as Vice-President from 1997–2001. The PTHS publishes the popular, semi-annual newsletter, *Pathmaster*. Sabean has acted as Editor of *Pathmaster* since its inception, overseeing the production of 28 volumes and five special editions. He has also personally written 80 articles on Pickering's history. Sabean's leadership at the Pickering Township Historical Society has overseen thousands of donations to local institutions, including the Pickering Public Library and the Pickering Museum Village.

While serving as President of the PTHS, Sabean took on several other volunteer roles in the heritage sector. Some of these responsibilities include Chair of the Pickering Public Library Board, Chair of Heritage Pickering, Chair of the Durham West Arts Centre, and Co-Founder of the Durham West Arts Centre Foundation.

Sabean also joined the Board of Directors at the Ontario Historical Society in 2004, serving as a Director until 2009, and as Vice President from 2006–2009. During his time on the OHS Board, Sabean headed the Honours and Awards Committee as Chair. From 2010–2018, he acted as a judge for this very award category, the Carnochan Lifetime Achievement Award. Sabean was an excellent judge for this category, possessing a rare understanding of the work and dedication required to be considered for such an honour. This year, the Ontario Historical Society's Honours and Awards Committee is pleased to present John Sabean with that honour.

The Committee congratulates John Sabean.



John Sabean received the 2021-22 OHS Carnochan Award at the John McKenzie House on October 12, 2022.

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