

## The 2022-23 OHS Cruikshank Gold Medal Awarded to Jamie Laidlaw

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The Ontario Historical Society's Cruikshank Gold Medal honours an individual who has performed with distinction on behalf of the Ontario Historical Society (OHS). This year, the OHS is proud to present the Cruikshank Gold Medal to Jamie Laidlaw.

Through his own personal campaigns and on behalf of the Laidlaw Foundation, Jamie has supported the work of not-for-profits and charities across Ontario for many years. His support as both an advocate and a donor has elevated countless people and organizations throughout our province. Jamie's passion for history and the conservation of our natural and built heritage is what drives his support for the Ontario Historical Society and other important groups that are working in the public interest.



*OHS Executive Director, Daniel Dishaw (L) and Jamie Laidlaw (R) at OHS headquarters, the historic John McKenzie House, during Doors Open Toronto 2023. Photo credit: Sarah McCabe.*

Jamie has personally donated both time and financial support to help the OHS modernize and reach new audiences. He has helped the Society fundraise for its digitization and digital infrastructure projects, including the OHS website, the *Ontario History Journal Archive*, and OHS podcast production. In addition to his support of the Society's fundraising and development efforts, Jamie has served as an indispensable friend and trusted advisor to OHS staff and volunteers.

The OHS Honours and Awards Society thanks Jamie Laidlaw for his outstanding service and dedication to the preservation of Ontario's history.

Congratulations, Jamie.

***The Cruikshank Gold Medal will be presented to Jamie Laidlaw at a ceremony in the new year.***

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. To learn more about the OHS's Honours and Awards Program, or to submit a nomination, please visit <https://ontariohistoricalsociety.ca/honours-awards/> or contact the Society's offices by telephone or e-mail.

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