

Prince of Wales Prize for Municipal Heritage Leadership

Community Services Division Arts, Culture and Heritage

The City of Richmond has been awarded the Prince of Wales Prize for Municipal Heritage Leadership by the National Trust for Canada. This award was presented at the National Trust 2016 annual conference on October 21 in Hamilton, Ontario.

The National Trust Awards Program recognizes individuals, organizations, corporations and rehabilitation projects that give new life to Canada's historic places. Established in 1999 under the patronage of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, this prize honours a municipal government for exemplary commitment to the preservation of heritage, identity and sense of place within its boundaries. The local government must have a record of supporting heritage preservation through such means as regulation, policies, funding and stewardship. The nomination must provide evidence that heritage properties in the municipality have improved over a period of time.

The award celebrates the ongoing commitment of City Council to preserve and protect our community heritage through policies, legislation, conservation and restoration and programs, and honours the many organizations, individuals and volunteers that have made Richmond's heritage conservation successes possible. The Prince of Wales Prize Jury described Richmond's approach to heritage conservation as "holistic" and "forward-looking" in its principles.

