## Heritage Planners' Report to LACH: February 10, 2021

- 1. Heritage Alteration Permits processed under Delegated Authority By-law:
  - a) 123 Dundas Street (Downtown HCD): signage
  - b) 789 Lorne Avenue (OE HCD): front yard parking
  - c) 304 Oxford Street East (BH HCD): porch, siding, doors, windows
  - d) 129-131 Wellington Street (Part IV): signage
  - e) 550 Dufferin Avenue (EW HCD): alter window into doorway
  - f) 27 Kensington Avenue (B/P HCD): siding replacement
  - g) 106 Askin Street (WV-OS HCD): exterior alterations
  - h) 560 English Street (OE HCD): exterior alterations, garage
- 2. Bill 108 Amendments to the *Ontario Heritage Act* not proclaimed by Lt.-Gov. on January 1, 2021
- London Endowment for Heritage accepting application for heritage conservation projects from February 2, 2021 – April 6, 2021. More information is available at: <a href="www.lcf.on.ca/london-endowment-for-heritage">www.lcf.on.ca/london-endowment-for-heritage</a>. Seeking volunteers for the Virtual Ad-Hoc Allocation Committee meeting – April 20, 2021 (tentative).

## **Upcoming Heritage Events**

- Community, family and the hidden history of Southwestern Ontario, with presenter Thomas Peace, Saturday, February 6, 2021, 10AM: More Information: www.activehistory.ca
- Heritage Week (February 15 21, 2021)
  - Heritage Week Postcards
  - Heritage Fair 2021: Culture Shock! The Impact of Pandemics, Thursday February 11, 2021, 7-9PM. Facebook Live at: http://www.facebook.com/HeritageCouncil (see attached)
  - Heritage Week Events across the province can be found at: <a href="https://www.heritagetrust.on.ca/en/pages/programs/heritage-week/community-events">https://www.heritagetrust.on.ca/en/pages/programs/heritage-week/community-events</a>
- Canadian Black History: Who is telling the story? Presented by the London Black
  History Coordinating Committee, February 17, 2021, 7-9PM. More
  information: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/canadian-black-history-who-is-telling-the-story-tickets-137192477393?aff=ebdssbonlinesearch">https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/canadian-black-history-who-is-telling-the-story-tickets-137192477393?aff=ebdssbonlinesearch</a>
- Symphony of Lights: An Exploration of the Stained Glass Windows of St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church, London, Ontario at ArtLab Gallery, John Labatt Visual Arts Centre, Western University – February 9-18, 2021. More information: <a href="https://www.uwo.ca/visarts/artlab/index.html">www.uwo.ca/visarts/artlab/index.html</a>
- London Heritage Awards, March 2021. More information: <u>www.londonheritageawards.ca</u>







## Media Release

What: Heritage Fair 2021: Culture Shock! The Impact of Pandemics

Where: Facebook Live at https://www.facebook.com/HeritageCouncil

When: Thursday, February 11, 2021, from 7-9 PM

Heritage Fair is moving online for 2021 with a focus on a topic very applicable to our current lives — the cultural impact of pandemics.

On Thursday, February 11, 2021, the London Heritage Council, with support from the City of London's Culture Office, will be hosting the "Culture Shock! The Impact of Pandemics" on Facebook Live, which will bring together a panel of local historians, medical professionals, and cultural experts to discuss how previous pandemics, such as the 1918 influenza pandemic, shaped culture and how the current COVID-19 pandemic is spurring change.

Moderated by The London Free Press' Megan Stacey, "Culture Shock! The Impact of Pandemics" will feature Dr. Vivian McAlister, a surgeon at University Hospital in London and General Surgery Professor at Western University, recently named an Officer of the Order of Canada. Other esteemed panelists include local historian Hilary Bates Neary, Dr. Anisha Dutta, Associate Professor in Sociology at King's University College, David Marskell, CEO of Kitchener's THEMUSEUM, Dr. Shelley McKellar, Hannah Chair in the History of Medicine and History Professor at Western University, and Dr. Jonathan Vance, History Professor and Undergraduate Chair at Western University. Join them to learn how pandemics have influenced and continue to shape medical history, societal change, and cultural impact.

Attendees will gain an understanding of the impact of previous pandemics and the ways COVID-19 is exposing inequalities and driving innovation. In addition to the devastating loss of life caused by pandemics, they also often reveal the social inequities present in society, shift and influence culture and arts, and cause an impact that lasts for decades, if not centuries. Panelists will each bring their unique perspective and answer Londoners' pressing questions about pandemics' cultural impact. Attendees are encouraged to submit questions in advance for panelists through the London Heritage Council's website.

Since 2013, we have gathered together each February to launch Ontario Heritage Week with the London Heritage Fair. Through the online event for 2021, London Heritage Council is encouraging Londoners to reflect on the importance of heritage from home.

Learn more about the online event at <u>londonheritage.ca/heritagefair</u> or for more information, contact Dhira Ghosh, Operations Manager, London Heritage Council at dghosh@london.ca or (519) 930-2140.