



# HAMILTON HISTORICAL BOARD

Presentation to the  
Planning Committee  
November 20, 2012.





## Board Structure & Mandate

- Supported by Tourism & Culture Division, reports to City Council through Planning & Economic Development
- Advises Council on historical and heritage matters
- Oversees Hamilton's eight Civic Museums - five of which are National Historic Sites
- Promotes awareness and appreciation of Hamilton's history and heritage
- Consists of fifteen citizen members, one rep from the Municipal Heritage Committee, and one rep from City Council





- HHB member-liaisons are assigned to each museum and report monthly to HHB
- HHB monitors the museums and their programs, approves grounds-use requests, and addresses issues around public use of museum sites
- Members volunteer at museum events
- Members volunteer at community and local heritage events
- Members liaise with regional historical societies and associations





Allocation Area	2012 Budget
Heritage Events: Heritage Day / programming / Doors Open Program support	<b>\$3650.00</b>
Communications & Education: publications / website / program development	<b>\$9030.00</b>
Operating: volunteer appreciation/ operating supplies/ duplicating / mailing / parking/ meetings	<b>\$4030.00</b>
War of 1812 Bicentennial: 2013	<b>\$3000.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$19,710.00</u></b> \$14,340.00 base \$5370.00 reserve



## Heritage Events

- Annual celebration of Heritage Week and Heritage Day in February
- Volunteer Heritage Awards Ceremony
- Celebration of George Hamilton Day at the August long weekend holiday
- The HHB 'Most Famous Hamiltonian' contest
- Heritage plaque unveiling programs at local schools
- Heritage Book Launches

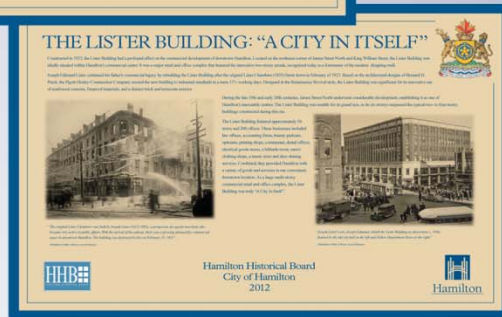
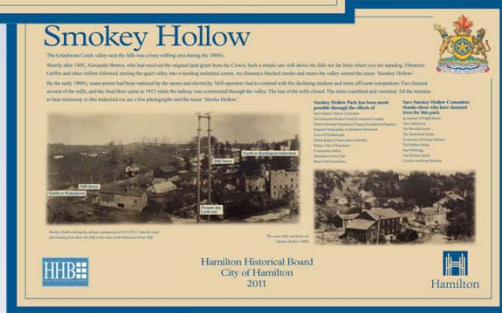
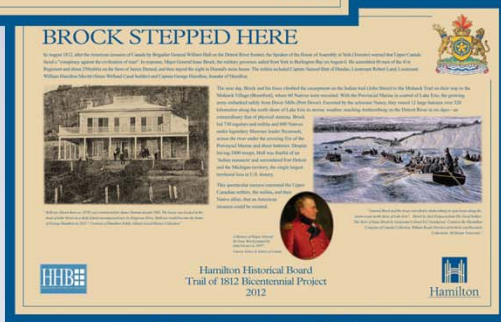
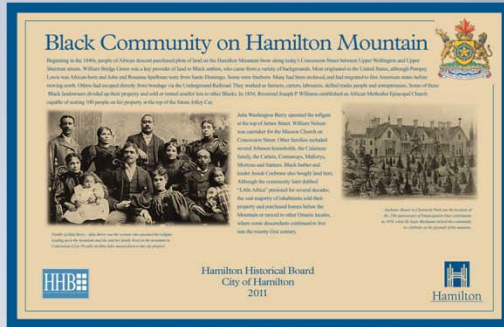


# Heritage Plaquing

- HHB members administer and chair the City's Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee

- Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee has researched and approved 16 commemorative and 19 designation plaques

- Plaque inventory monitoring, cleaning and replacement is undertaken in concert with the city museums' conservator



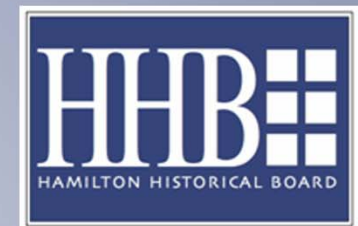
## Education & Publication



- Maintain the HHB website [www.hamiltonhistoricalboard.ca](http://www.hamiltonhistoricalboard.ca)
- Administer the HHB Speakers Bureau - Historically Speaking
  - Continues to expand educational outreach programs to Hamilton schools
  - Publishes the HHB quarterly publication *historiCITY* with a distribution of 2500 copies per edition



- Produces and distributes *Ward Fact Sheets* online and in print form





## Municipal Heritage Recognition

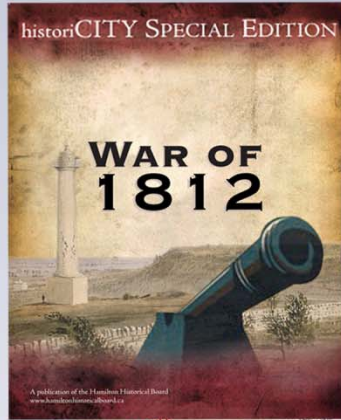
The Heritage Events Sub-Committee organized the annual 2012 Heritage Recognition Awards Day ceremonies at City Hall, including:

- The City of Hamilton and HHB Reverend T. Melville Bailey Heritage Award
- The Hamilton-Wentworth Heritage Association Volunteer Awards
- The Susan E. Bennetto History Student Awards.





# Bicentennial of the War of 1812



The Hamilton Historical Board is planning for year two of the Bicentennial as part of the City's commemorative programs. For 2013:

- 2nd of three commemorative editions of *historiCITY* (1813)
- Educational outreach program in partnership with McMaster
- *Top 12 of 1812* HHB school visitations - free of charge
- Six 1812 heritage plaques





## A View to the Future

- Commemoration of World War I - 2014-2018
- Celebration of Canada's Sesquicentennial 2017
- Expansion of public programming
- Working in partnership with Public Works, Open Space Development to establish the Battlefield and Gage Park Master Plans
- Long-range planning for the Museum & Heritage Presentation section within the Culture Division



On behalf of the HHB  
Thank You!