

# Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee Working Groups Current Projects and 2020 Plans

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WHEREAS, Council approved the resolution to hold virtual meetings for the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee, and all associated Working Groups, during their meeting on June 24, 2020;

WHEREAS, Heritage Working Groups will meet starting in July on an as needed basis;

WHEREAS, the Heritage Working Group's mandate includes reviewing work brought forward by Heritage Staff and conducting related project work; and,

WHEREAS, to best plan and facilitate virtual meetings moving forward, the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee and Heritage Staff need to have an understanding of each Working Group's plan of work and status of existing work;

**The following is a plan of work for 2020 and an update on current projects:**

<b>Date:</b>	August 4, 2020
<b>Working Group:</b>	<b>Education and Communication</b>
<b>Name of Chair:</b>	Alissa Denham-Robinson
<b>Current List of Volunteer Members:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Janice Brown (HMHC Member)</li> <li>2. Graham Carroll (HMHC Member)</li> <li>3. Charles Dimitry (HMHC Member)</li> <li>4. Robin McKee (HMHC Member)</li> <li>5. Tim Ritchie (HMHC Member)</li> <li>6. Kathy Stacey</li> </ol>
<b>Staff Support:</b>	Miranda Brunton, Cultural Heritage Planner David Addington, Cultural Heritage Planner Alissa Golden, Heritage Project Specialist

## **CURRENT PROJECTS:**

### **1. Publication & Print Project: Heritage Word Search Puzzles**

Current Status:

- a) 10 puzzles have been created by C.Dimitry, reviewed by the Working Group and packaged as hand-outs (to be used at heritage events and elsewhere).

Next Steps:

- a. C.Dimitry is developing 2 additional puzzles (work in progress):
  - i. Hamilton Mountain Heritage
  - ii. Schools (Past & Present) - C.Dimitry has volunteered to work on the preparation of 2 versions of the School Puzzle for elementary and

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secondary level – the list of potential names will be sent out to Working Group members to review and provide comment.

b. Public Outreach:

- i. C.Dimitry had previously reached out to local print media to gauge interest in publishing puzzles for readers. No response has been received. The Working Group has discussed other options for public outreach:
  - Engagement with School Board Programming and History Curriculum (J.Brown to reach out to Elementary School Contacts. G.Carroll to reach out to Secondary School Contacts to inquire).  
*\*There may be opportunity to have school children contribute historical Hamilton words that we can use to generate a puzzle.*
  - Engagement with Archives (L.Lunstead is making use of the Waterdown Word Search at their Local Archive to inquire)
  - Engagement with Library (G.Carroll to reach out to the Manager the Local History & Archives to inquire)
  - Engagement with Tourism & Culture Division (A.Denham-Robinson to reach out to Sonja Mirva to inquire) – link to Children’s Museum
  - Engagement with Dundas Museum & Archives (K.Stacey has reached out to Museum Staff to inquire – they are very interested)
  - Engagement via the City’s Website under Heritage Resources (Miranda Brunton to connect with Planning Staff and City IT services to inquire)
- ii. Working Group to package Word Puzzles and Colour Pages together as a resource that can be distributed within the community.

## 2. Publication & Print Project: Heritage Colouring Pages (Vol. 2)

Current Status:

- a) Colouring Sheets have been completed for the following (ready for distribution):
  - Central Public School
  - Westinghouse HQ
- b) Graphics have been completed for the following (text and HMHC logo to be added):
  - Peace Memorial Arch
  - Battlefield House (Stoney Creek)

Next Steps:

- a) Artwork for Peace Memorial Arch and Battlefield House are complete. Text and logo to be applied to complete the colouring sheet for handout.

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- b) The volunteer Student Artist from Bernie Custis Secondary School is excited to continue to assist our Working Group for the remainder of the year and beyond.
- c) Working Group to determine a list of heritage properties to be provided to the student artist for sketching; once school re-opens.

### 3. Public Outreach & Events: HMHC Heritage Recognition Awards

#### Current Status:

- a) The previously scheduled nomination review and Awards event was postponed due to Covid-19.
- b) Working Group is currently reviewing the list of nominations to select a list of winners across various categories.

#### Next Steps:

- a) Working Group to finalize the list of Award Nominations (through August 2020).
- b) Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the Working Group, along with City Staff, will explore options for a virtual or social media event in lieu of a live awards presentation. WG to look at examples of other local events that have taken place on-line.
- c) Working Group to prepare a recommendation, including a list of Award Recipients as well as proposed event details, to go to HMHC in Fall 2020.

### PROPOSED NEW PROJECTS:

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1. N/a