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# Heritage Oshawa

## Volunteer

Do you have an interest in the heritage buildings and history in our community?  
Do you have knowledge or understanding of heritage restoration techniques?  
Do you have writing and research skills?  
Do you like meeting people, sharing & learning?

Consider volunteering with Heritage Oshawa!

Heritage Oshawa agendas and minutes are available online, meetings are open to the public and also viewable online. We also have Working Groups that meet less regularly and are project specific.



**Biltmore Theatre, Designated 2022**

## Heritage Oshawa

Heritage Oshawa, established in 1995, has members appointed by Oshawa Council, is governed by city By-law 54-2023, [our Terms of Reference](#), and works within the guidelines of the Ontario Heritage Act and the Oshawa Official Plan.

Heritage Oshawa is dedicated to keeping Oshawa's history and heritage alive.

If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact Service Oshawa.

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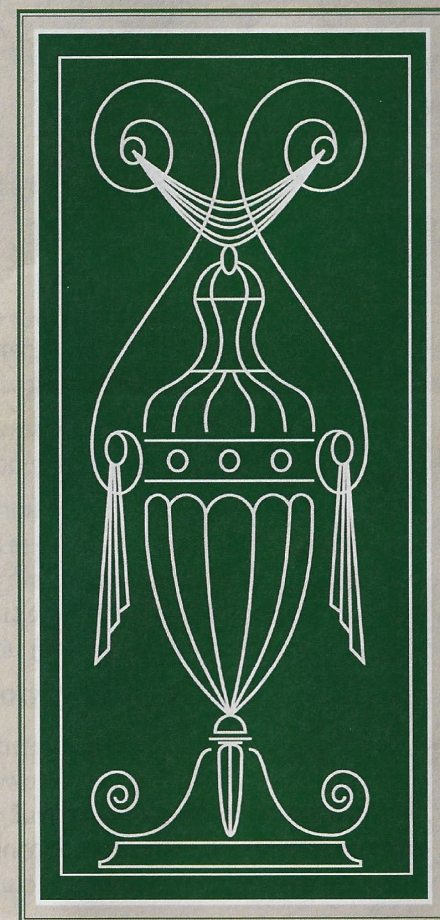


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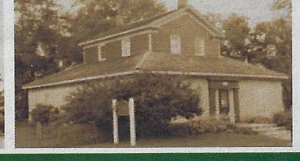
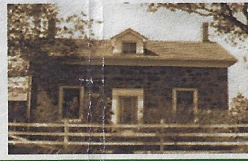
[www.oshawa.ca/heritage](http://www.oshawa.ca/heritage)

The iron scrollwork on the Grand Central Staircase at Parkwood Estate inspires the Heritage Oshawa logo.

## Oshawa's Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee







## Why Heritage and History



### Robinson House, Designated 1989

Cultural Heritage Resources enhance the quality of life for Oshawa citizens by providing a connection to the community's past and creating a sense of place. These historic buildings and landscapes add an economic benefit to the city while contributing to making Oshawa a beautiful place to live.



### Northern Dancer Cemetery, Designated 2018

## Key Activities

Advise and assist Council on all matters relating to cultural heritage including, but not limited to, buildings and structures, landscape and archaeological sites, current heritage conservation programs, regulations and legislation; and, on means of conserving heritage properties, landscapes and districts

Establish criteria for the evaluation of properties of cultural heritage value or interest. Prepare and maintain an inventory of cultural heritage resources, including buildings, structures, landscapes and other elements which are considered by Heritage Oshawa to be of cultural heritage value or interest.

Review development applications associated with cultural heritage resources and provide recommendations to staff and/or Council, as appropriate.

Provide recommendations to Council on properties, landscapes and districts considered by Heritage Oshawa to be worthy of heritage designation.

Promote public awareness, stewardship in heritage conservation and knowledge of cultural heritage resources within the City and heritage conservation issues through programs and activities.

## Heritage Designation

Designation is a process described in the Ontario Heritage Act that helps recognize and protect architecturally, historically and contextually significant properties. An Ontario Heritage Act designation helps safeguard heritage property from unsympathetic alterations and demolition.

Owners of designated properties are eligible for a 40% municipal/education tax reduction

For more information on the Heritage Tax Reduction Program see Oshawa's "Guide to Designated Properties" online at

<https://www.oshawa.ca/en/parks-recreation-and-culture/heritage-property-tax-reduction.aspx>



### 452 Simcoe Street North, Designated 2011