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## **CITY OF KINGSTON HERITAGE FUND AWARDS \$428,496 for 2024**

**[KINGSTON, ONT./ 17 Jan 2024]** The City of Kingston Heritage Fund (CKHF) is proud to present a total of **\$428,496.37** to **11** Kingston community organizations, dedicated to enriching cultural heritage experiences through out the city.

The CKHF has provided funding for both projects and operations on an annual basis since 2014 to Kingston museums, cultural heritage projects and organizations. Since this time, the Kingston & Area Association of Museums, Art Galleries and Historic Sites has worked in partnership with the City of Kingston to develop and administer this community grant program.

More than ever, this type of municipal investment is critical to the resilient flourishing of our local cultural heritage landscape and empowers sites and organizations to do their best work and respond to the changing needs of their communities. A vibrant, diverse, and responsive cultural heritage sector reflects and amplifies vibrant, diverse, and responsive communities. This grant program, in terms of its size and scope, is unique within the province, and reflects the City of Kingston's drive towards innovation and excellence," explains Jamie McKenzie-Naish, KAM Managing Director.

"Community museums, historic sites, art galleries and cultural heritage projects are essential contributors to Kingston's community and an important part of Kingston's tourism and hospitality markets. They build community by creating meaningful and human connections between heritage sites, history, and identity. The City of Kingston Heritage Fund provides a source of funding that helps cultural organizations and projects enhance their profile, capacity, impact, relevance, diversity, and sustainability," explains Kevin Gibbs, Director of Heritage Services at the City of Kingston.

For CKHF recipient highlights and a congratulatory message from Mayor Patterson, please view and share the following awards video (1:19 min) available here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1VJJ8RpJACY>.

Further details about the City of Kingston Heritage Fund can be found at:  
<https://www.kingstonmuseums.ca/ckhf>

### **City of Kingston Heritage Fund 2024 Recipients**

#### **Large Operating Grant Recipients**

- Beyond Classrooms Kingston - \$61, 707.98
- Frontenac County Schools Museum - \$61, 128.81
- Great Lakes Museum - \$62, 087.07
- Murney Tower Museum (Kingston Historical Society) - \$63, 308.59
- Museum of Health Care at Kingston - \$64, 193.14

#### **Small Operating Grant Recipients**

- Kingston Regional Heritage Fair - \$2882.16

#### **Community Cultural Heritage Project Grant Recipients**

- Beth Israel Congregation
  - Project: "L'Dor Vador Phase 2" - \$20,000

- Canadian Museum of Women’s History
  - Project: “Women’s Pop Up History” - \$11,644.31
- Kingston Scout Museum
  - Project – “Making Artifacts Accessible” - \$11,644.31
- Lakeshore Parents’ Council with the Vulnerable Film Lab
  - Project: “The Kingston Heritage Film Project” - \$20, 000
- Military Communications & Electronics Museum Foundation
  - Project: “Veteran’s Week Kingston Celebration” - \$20,000

## **Cultural Heritage Development Grant Recipients**

- Beyond Classrooms Kingston
  - Project: “Indigenous Resurgence” - \$5,000
- Frontenac County Schools Museum
  - Project: “Oral History Project” - \$5,000
- Kingston Scout Museum
  - Project – “Making the Website French Accessible” - \$5,000
- Lakeshore Parents’ Council with the Vulnerable Film Lab
  - Project: “The Kingston Heritage Film Project” - \$5,000
- Military Communications & Electronics Museum Foundation
  - Project: “Indigenous Veteran’s Week Kingston Celebration” - \$5,000
- Kingston School of Art
  - Project: “Mashkawizii Miinikaanan: Strong Seeds” - \$4,900

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For more information on the Kingston & Area Association of Museums, Art Galleries and Historic Sites, or the City of Kingston Heritage Fund, contact Jamie McKenzie-Naish, Grants Officer or Debbie Holdich, Grants Coordinator, at 613-507-4014 or [info@kingstonmuseums.ca](mailto:info@kingstonmuseums.ca).

For more information on the City of Kingston, call the media hotline at 613-546-4291, ext. 2300.

For information about individual CKHF award recipients and their projects, please contact the individual recipients.