

**OUFC HERITAGE TREES  
WORKSHOP SERIES**

**SAVE THE DATE!  
JUNE 8, 2012**

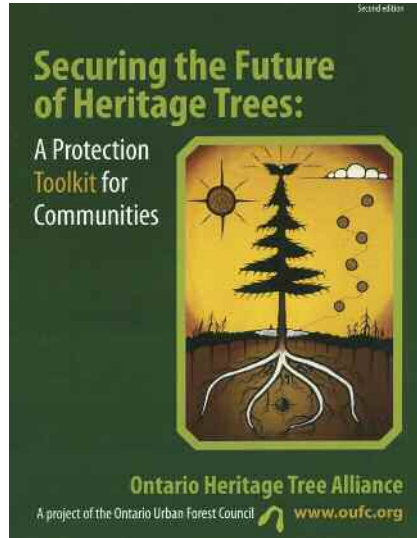




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**AGENDA**

This workshop is based on the OUFC publication *Securing the Future of Heritage Trees: A Protection Toolkit for Communities* (2006, updated in 2011). Additional stand alone learning material is being developed for each module of the workshop based on speaker input and participant feedback. In particular, a training manual will be developed for arborists and cultural historians working together to evaluate the physical and cultural properties of potential heritage trees. A stewardship factsheet that addresses heritage tree stewardship and how it may differ from urban tree management is also planned.



*Ottawa's Richelieu Park (Vanier)  
A maple forest designated under the Ontario Heritage Act on February 17, 1997 by By-law 3604.*

*"Today, the 17.5 acres of the Richelieu Park remain a natural treasure in the midst of an urban setting"*

*(Source: Muséoparc Vanier Museopark, a non-profit, community museum named for its location in the Richelieu Park)*

**REGISTRATION**

The OUFC Heritage Trees Workshop will be a one day certification course held, June 8, 2012 in Ottawa. Exact time and location to follow.

To register please go to [www.oufc.org](http://www.oufc.org). Registration closes Friday May 18, 2012.

For more information please call 416.936.6735

*Interested in a one day Heritage Tree Workshop in your community? Please contact [info@oufc.org](mailto:info@oufc.org)*



## HERITAGE TREES WORKSHOP OUTLINE

### TOPICS TO BE COVERED

#### 1 THE VALUE OF TREES

This session addresses the value of (urban) trees with a focus on understanding the economic, ecological, social and cultural value of trees to the urban community. Current research will be reviewed to assist in understanding TEV (total economic value) of trees.

#### 2 HERITAGE TREES

A brief session defining “heritage tree” using the definition of Paul L. Aird (Professor Emeritus, Faculty of Forestry, University of Toronto) which reflects the physical and cultural requirements for designation. It will address, with photographic examples, the unique “natural and cultural heritage value” requirements that has qualified specific individual trees/groves and cultural heritage landscapes and provides a differentiation between “Heritage trees”, “Ancient trees” and “Champion trees”.

#### 3 TREE STORIES

How communities and individuals have identified their potential heritage trees and worked to celebrate and protect them. One of several options to be discussed is “The Great Community Tree Hunt”... how to organize this event. Then... what is next?

#### 4 RESEARCHING, NOMINATING, EVALUATING

A review of the Evaluation Criteria and Guidelines used to assess those trees identified by individuals and/or communities in order to create a list of “heritage trees” worthy of designation and protection. This section:

- A]** Explains the evaluation criteria (physical and cultural) used the Toolkit’s evaluation forms (an overview)
- B]** Addresses the criteria of cultural significance under the Ontario Heritage Act and how to undertake cultural research on trees.

*Note: the “how to” of physical tree evaluation will take place in the field at the end of the workshop.*



## 5 PROTECTING HERITAGE TREES

A session on the legal and policy options available for celebrating and protecting heritage trees under the Municipal Act, the Planning Act and the Ontario Heritage Act.

## 6 GOOD HERITAGE TREE STEWARDSHIP PRACTICES

The proper implementation of renewal, and maintenance activities known to be appropriate for Heritage Trees which maintain a tree's health, aesthetic and heritage values... and how this may differ from general tree stewardship practices.

## 7 EVALUATION

Workshop Evaluation and curriculum input.

## 8 TRAINING THE EVALUATOR (FIELD SESSION)

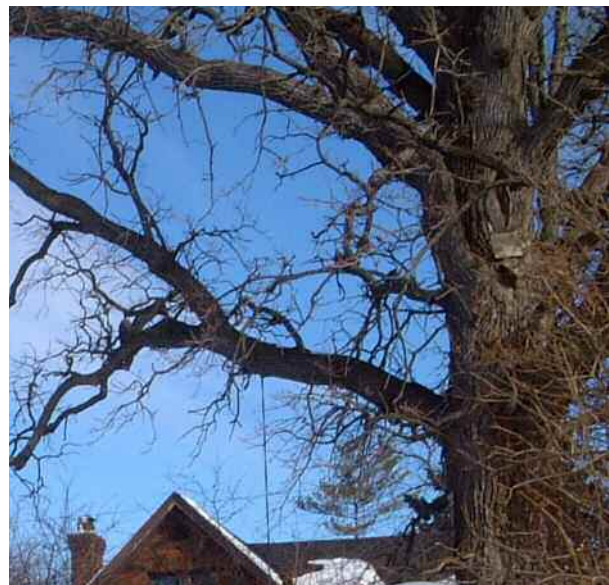
Field training session for arborists, other forestry professionals and cultural historians in evaluating heritage trees. *[Certification will be provided for qualified attendees that fill the requirements of full attendance and training.]*

### OUR PARTNERS IN HERITAGE TREES



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## Ottawa Heritage Tree Workshop June 8 - 9, 2012 PROGRAM and Speaker list

### Day 1 June 8 – WORKSHOP

**Location:** Central Experimental Farm and Arboretum, Salon A in the Neatby Building (Carling Ave.)

**Price - OUFC Members , Students and Community Volunteers; \$ 50. (includes lunch)**

**Price - Professionals: \$ 75. (includes lunch)**

**Price - Professionals wishing “Certification”: \$ 100. (includes lunch)**

Topic	Detail	Speaker
<b>8:30 – 8:45</b>	Welcome - Moderator	<b>Michael Rosen, R.P.F.</b> – President, Tree Canada
<b>8:45- 9:00</b> #1 - The Real Value of Trees	Real value of trees: social, cultural, ecologic, economic	<b>Rob Keen, R.F.P.</b> - CEO, Trees Ontario
<b>9:00 – 9:10</b> # 2 - Heritage Trees – definitions and differences; the heritage tree movement	Definition of heritage trees and how they are different from ancient trees, old growth, champion trees and the heritage tree movement globally and in Ontario	<b>Philip van Wassenaer, B.Sc., MFC. ,</b> Principal, Urban Forest Innovations
<b># 3 - How To Research, Nominate and Evaluate Heritage Trees:</b>		
<b>9:10 – 9:45</b> # 3 a) Researching, Nominating and Evaluating:	Overview of the evaluation criteria (physical and cultural) using the <i>Heritage Tree Toolkit</i> Forms and illustrated (PPT) examples of criteria	<b>Peter Dmytrasz, B.Sc.F.</b> OUFC Advisor <b>Fran Moscall,</b> OUFC Director & Editor, <i>Heritage Tree Toolkit</i> <b>Jack Radecki, B.Sc.F., R.C.A.342</b> Executive Director, OUFC ; Supervisor of Arbor Services, Mount Pleasant Group of Cemeteries
<b>9:45- 10:30</b> #3 b) Cultural Significance of heritage trees (OHA Regs)  How to do cultural heritage research	Cultural significance (OHA Regulations 9/06 & 10/06) and what it means.  How to do cultural research on trees.  Researching Ottawa’s “Six Moments in the History of the Urban Forest” (Bytown Museum Exhibit...to September 30, 2012)	<b>Lesley Collins, MCIP RPP</b> - Heritage Planner, Planning and Growth Management Dept., City of Ottawa <b>Erin Semande,</b> Researcher, Ontario Heritage Trust <b>Joanna E. Dean, Ph.D.,</b> Department of History, Carleton University
<b>10:30 – 11:00 COFFEE</b>		
<b># 4 - Tree Stories: Introduction and overview of how individuals and communities have worked to research, celebrate and protect trees</b>		
<b>11:00-11:15</b> # 4 a) Individual trees: researching, celebrating and protecting	Trees in Ontario designated under Part IV s. 29 of the <i>Ontario Heritage Act</i>	<b>Barb Heidenreich,</b> Natural Heritage Coordinator, Ontario Heritage Trust (OHT)

<b>11:15 – 11:45</b> # 4 b) Groups of trees: researching, celebrating and protecting: (a) Richelieu (b) Gillies Grove, Arnprior (c) Champlain Oaks	> Richelieu Park designation and afterwards > the story of Gillies Grove, Arnprior > The Champlain oaks – a work in progress	<b>Mike Rosen</b> , Tree Canada  <b>Daniel Buckles, Ph.D.</b> , Secretary, Champlain Park Community Asn.
<b>11:45-12:00</b> #4c) community tree hunts	Describing the OFGAC 's My Favourite Tree' contest in 2003 and the 'Heritage Tree Hunt' project in 2005	<b>Heather Hamilton</b> , Chair, Ottawa Forests and Greening Advisory Committee
<b>12:00 – 1:15 LUNCH</b>		
<b>1:15 – 1:25</b> #5 - Protecting Heritage Trees	An overview of tree celebration and protection options	<b>Barb Heidenreich</b> , Natural Heritage Coordinator, OHT <b>Barb Yaroski</b> , OUFC Director
<b>1:25 – 1:45</b> # 5 a) Celebrating	Celebrating special trees through the Trees Ontario/OUFC on-line program;  OHT local marker and plaque program	<b>Rob Keen</b> , Trees Ontario  <b>Erin Semande</b> , Researcher, OHT
<b>1:45 – 2:00</b> # 5 b) Protecting under <i>Municipal Act</i> 135	Using local bylaws under the <i>Municipal Act</i> Section 135: (a)Municipal Trees and Natural Areas Protection BY-LAW NO. 2006 – 279 (b)Urban Tree Conservation By-law 2009-200 (2009-268; 2011-364; 2011-418)	<b>Martha Copestake, MFC, BScFE</b> Forester – Planning, City of Ottawa
<b>2:00 – 2:20</b> # 5 c) Protecting using the <i>Planning Act</i> & PPS	c) Using the <i>Planning Act</i> and PPS (2005)	<b>Martha Copestake, MFC, BScFE</b> Forester – Planning, City of Ottawa
<b>2:20 – 2:45</b> # 5 d) Protecting - <i>Ontario Heritage Act</i>	<i>Ontario Heritage Act</i> > Part IV s. 27 (listing), s. 29 (designation with or without a building) > Part V (as part of a HC D) <i>Ottawa Arts and Heritage Plan 2003</i>	<b>Lesley Collins</b> , Ottawa
<b>2:45 -4:00</b> # 6 – After Designation - Overview of Good Heritage Tree Stewardship Practices; enforcement	Caring for heritage trees and how that differs from other arboricultural practices (PPT); Enforcement (penalties & incentives)	<b>Philip van Wassenaer</b> , UFI
<b>4:00 – 4:15 COFFEE</b> # 7 - Wrap-Up/Workshop evaluation	Participant feedback; critiquing the factsheets; open discussion	all
<b>4:15 – 5+</b> # 8 – FIELD COMPONENT Training the evaluators	A field certification event for arborists and RFPs organized by Rob Keen and Jack Radecki	<b>Rob, Jack, Peter, Lesley, Philip</b>

**DAY 2 June 9 – FIELD TRIPS (field tour by bus....space is limited – FIRST COME FIRST SERVED capped at 40)  
Price: \$ 30. (includes LUNCH)**

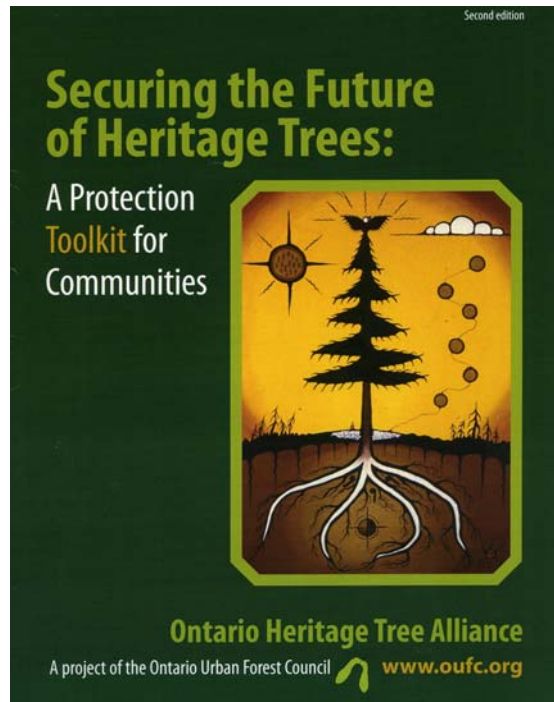
***NOTE...this is a separate event from the Workshop on June 8<sup>th</sup>***

8:00 am meet at	<p><b>Central Experimental Farm (CEF) and Arboretum</b> The Arboretum which is located in the Central Experimental Farm in Ottawa, displays a wide range of established trees and shrubs some dating back to 1889, the date that the Arboretum was established. The Arboretum covers about 26 hectares of rolling land between Prince of Wales Drive and the Rideau Canal and comprises various soil types and moisture levels. Many of the trees and shrubs planted in 1889 are now among the largest specimens of their species in Canada. In 1889, little was known about the hardiness of exotic plants in the Ottawa area, so most of the trees were obtained from the famous nurseries of Spaeth in Germany, Louis Freres in France, Ellwanger and Barry in Rochester, N.Y., and the Arnold Arboretum in Jamaica Plains, Mass. Some of the plants from the Arnold Arboretum were from explorers in China, including Drs. E. Wilson and J. Rock.</p>	Crispin Wood
9:40 bus leaves for	<p><b>Rideau Hall (tour of grounds and buildings)</b> Since the early 1900s, important visitors have “planted” their own trees at Rideau Hall, taking a ceremonial spade in hand and tossing a scoop of soil at the foot of a young tree. There are more than 120 ceremonial trees at Rideau Hall, and to walk through the grounds is to walk through history. There is a sugar maple planted by Dwight Eisenhower, a red oak for Charles de Gaulle, and another red oak for Richard Nixon.</p>	Mark Burleton and/or Normand Hotte (NCC)
12:00 bus leaves for	<p><b>Parc Richelieu Park....Lunch (PROVIDED) at the Park</b> The story of the Richelieu Park in the former municipality of Vanier, Ontario (now Ottawa) is more than that of a beautiful 10 acre heritage park and sugar maple forest – the largest urban sugar bush in the world. It is a story of history - of the rich Franco Ontarian history of the area and of the desire to reinvigorate the reputation of a community with its natural love of nature. Unique in its location, Richelieu Park (or the Vanier Sugarbush) is located in the heart of Vanier, a densely populated and diverse working class community with strong francophone roots. Parc Richelieu was designated and protected under Part IV, section 29 of the <i>Ontario Heritage Act</i> in 1997. With the construction of the original sugar shack in the 1930’s as part of the White Fathers monastery to the re-construction of the “cabane à sucre” by a community group, “Action Vanier” in 1998, this unique woodlot stands as a symbol of the value of heritage protection and of the enduring value of the urban forest. We will be exploring the grounds and the sugar shack to see natural heritage in action!</p>	Mike Rosen



1:30 bus leaves for	<b>Champlain Oaks</b> Daniel will introduce participants to the 'Champlain Oaks' whose historical and cultural significance has been researched and documented and is a motivation for local community groups to seek an <i>Ontario Heritage Act</i> listing (s. 27) of 106 of the bur oaks on the City's Heritage Register.	Daniel Buckles
2:45 bus leaves for	Central Experimental Farm (CEF) – Arboretum END OF TOUR 3:00	

**Copies of the Heritage Tree Toolkit will be available at the Workshop - \$ 45.**



**Workshop Partners**

