



Adapting Canada's Built Legacy Webinar Series

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Natural Disaster Preparedness for Historic Buildings

Speaker Biographies

Session 1: What's the Worst that Can Happen?"- The Importance of Planning for Disaster and Risk Management

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Dr. Marcus R. Létourneau is a Senior Partner with NPG Planning Solutions and President of M. R. Létourneau and Associates Inc. (a consultancy focused on heritage education and research). He brings over 20 years of experience to his practice, which is particularly focused on heritage legislation, strategic planning, heritage planning and processes. Marcus teaches heritage conservation, inventory and evaluation both privately and via heritage planning courses at the University of Victoria and the University of Waterloo. He also co-teaches the facilities management course for the Ontario Museum Association. He currently serves as the Chair and National Representative of the interim Board of Blue Shield Canada, on Board of Directors of ICOMOS Canada as Vice-President (English) and Co-Chair of the Policy Committee, as a Trustee of the Kingston Frontenac Public Library, and as Chair of the Leeds and Thousand Islands Municipal Heritage Committee. With Dr. Hal Kalman, he is the co-author of the second edition of *Heritage Planning: Principles and Process*.



Marcus has a PhD in Cultural/Historical Geography (Queen's University at Kingston); a MPlan (Master of Planning) from the University of Guelph; an MA in Political Geography (with a focus on political geography) (University of Western Ontario); a BA (Hons) in Geography with a History Minor (Queen's University at Kingston); a Diploma in Peace and Conflict Studies (University of Waterloo); a Professional Certificate in Heritage Conservation Planning (University of Victoria); a Certificate in Museum Studies (Ontario Museum Association); an Advanced

Certificate in Cultural & Heritage Venue Protection (American University of Rome/Trident Manor); and training in Marine/Foreshore Archaeology. He has also completed ICCROM/WHITRAP training in China on impact assessments for heritage and ICCROM/Athabasca University training on communication and teaching skills for conservation. He is a registered professional planner (MCIP, RPP), Professional Member of the Canadian Association of Heritage Professionals (CAHP) and holds a Certified Institutional Protection Manager Level II (CIPM II) certification from the International Foundation for Cultural Property Protection (IFCPP).

Session 2: Climate Disaster Preparedness Audits for Heritage and Faith Buildings ***Stephen Collette***

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Stephen Collette is the Building Audit Manager for Faith & the Common Good. Stephen created the Green Audit after seeing an opportunity to improve the connections between faith, buildings, and the existing passion of people to want to do the right thing within their faith community. The Green Audit has been delivered across Canada to rave reviews. Recently, Stephen has expanded the types of building audits available to faith communities.



Stephen is a Building Science Specialist, on two committees and CAHPstone podcast host with the Canadian Association of Heritage Professionals, a Certified Building Biology Environmental Consultant, and a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional. Stephen has also consulted and delivered training on sustainability and heritage conservation across North America over the last 20 years.