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RAIC announces new President

OTTAWA, August 14, 2008 – The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) is pleased to announce the election of **Paule Boutin, FIRAC** as president for 2008-09.

For the past eight years Paule Boutin, a sole practitioner, has specialized in church restoration projects. She is an active participant in professional circles, after having served several terms on the Bureau of l'Ordre des architectes du Québec, she then joined the RAIC Board in 2003 to work at the national level. "The interest of the general public for architecture has been growing in the past few years, which is very good," says Boutin. "We can take advantage of this public interest to keep on explaining why architecture truly matters."

Joining Ms. Boutin on the 2008-09 Executive Committee are:

Ranjit (Randy) K. Dhar, FRAIC – First Vice-President and President-Elect
Kiyoshi Matsuzaki, FRAIC – Immediate Past-President
Stuart Howard, FRAIC – Second Vice-President

RAIC Regional Directors include:

Stuart Howard, FRAIC - British Columbia / Yukon
Wayne Guy, FRAIC - Alberta / Northwest Territories
Charles Olfert, MRAIC - Saskatchewan / Manitoba
Ralph Wiesbrock, FRAIC - Ontario North, East and Nunavut
(Elections will be held for the Regional Chair for Ontario Southwest)
Claude Hamelin Lalonde, FIRAC - Québec
Paul E. Frank, FRAIC - Atlantic

Alexander Rankin, FRAIC is the Chancellor of the College of Fellows.

Eric Haldenby, FRAIC is the Chair of the Council of Canadian University Schools of Architecture.

Headshots of Ms. Boutin are available by request.

Established in 1907, the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada is a voluntary national association representing almost 3,700 architects. As the leading voice of architecture in Canada, RAIC works to affirm architecture matters; to celebrate the richness and diversity of architecture in Canada; and to support architects in achieving excellence.

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