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AAA President Elizabeth Songer with Tom Sutherland Award winner L. Frederick Valentine.

## **L. Frederick Valentine Recognized with Tom Sutherland Award**

**Edmonton, AB 06/04/2018** – L. Frederick Valentine, B.Arch, M.Arch., AAA, Architect, RCA, FRAIC, was presented with the Alberta Association of Architects' (AAA) Tom Sutherland Award at a Member Recognition Ceremony at the Fairmont Banff Springs hotel on May 11, 2018.

The award was created in the honor of its namesake, the late Tom Sutherland, to recognize those who exhibit the same exceptional leadership, excellence in design and extraordinary service to their community.

“Fred Valentine is the ideal candidate to become the recipient of the Tom Sutherland Award, the ideal standard to set for this remarkable honour,” said AAA President Elizabeth Songer.

“I am grateful to receive this award. This recognition means much to me, particularly at this time of my life. I extend heartfelt thanks those who worked with me throughout my career: this award is as much theirs, as it is mine,” said Mr. Valentine on his acceptance of the award.

For more information on the Tom Sutherland Award, click [here](#).

\*High resolution images are available upon request.

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## **Background**

*The Tom Sutherland Award was created in 2017 and is presented each year to AAA members who exemplify Sutherland’s dedication to positively impacting the professions of architecture and interior design and his emphatic leadership ability.*

*The award is named for the late Tom Sutherland who grew up in Edmonton and returned to practice architecture in 1997. Sutherland was responsible for some of Edmonton’s most distinctive new buildings including the Kaye Edmonton Clinic and NorQuest College’s Singhmar Centre. He was also a Fellow of the Royal Architecture Institute of Canada and led the creation of the Prairie Design Awards.*

*Throughout his life, Sutherland was committed to improving our community and the professions of architecture and interior design. His legacy lives on through his family, and the joy his designs bring to our community.*

*The inaugural presentation of the award was posthumously bestowed on Tom Sutherland and accepted by his wife, Sandi Sutherland, in May 2017.*

*For more information on the Prairie Design Awards, click [here](#).*

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