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RAIC Foundation pleased to present 2013 CaGBC scholarship recipient

OTTAWA May 8, 2013 – The RAIC Foundation is pleased to announce its Canada Green Building Council Scholarship for 2013 will be awarded to Sheida Shahi for her master's thesis proposal at the University of Waterloo - *Adaptable Tower Neighbourhoods*.

The jury noted the thesis "*embraces the technical aspects of building retrofits, and embraces the social dimensions*". They added that it encompasses the social and environmental aspects of sustainability and the result of the thesis could be a tangible, usable solution.

The CaGBC provides the RAIC Foundation with a generous annual donation which is invested to build an endowment. The \$5,000 scholarship from this endowment aids to nurture the next generation of "green" designers by promoting and encouraging sustainable research and design in Canadian Schools of Architecture.

To be eligible - students must submit a master's thesis proposal. A jury then selects the one that shows the most promising environmental benefits.

The award will be officially announced at the **RAIC Foundation Lunch**, Thursday, June 6 being held during the [2013 RAIC-NSAA Festival of Architecture](#) taking place June 5-8, 2013 at the Halifax Marriott Harbourfront.

About CaGBC

The CaGBC is the leading national industry organization advancing green building and sustainable community development practices. We work closely with our member organizations who are involved in the design, construction and operation of buildings and homes in an effort to make every building greener. The CaGBC reduces environmental impacts from the built environment through education/training, building certification, performance benchmarking and reporting, advocacy and information sharing. The CaGBC is the license holder for the LEED green building rating system in Canada. In addition to LEED and the new GREEN UP Building Performance Program, the CaGBC also supports the Living Building Challenge, Passive House Standard and EcoDistricts in Canada.

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RAIC Foundation

The RAIC Foundation was established in 1964 to strengthen the profession, and is the responsibility of the RAIC College of Fellows. It is committed to developing programs to ensure a vibrant place for architecture in Canadian society, the advancement of excellence in architecture, and to promote the development of programs to support the architectural profession throughout Canada. It is supported entirely by bequests and voluntary donations and includes endowments that provide financial assistance for worthwhile projects that advance the understanding and awareness of architecture, both for the public and for the profession.

http://www.raic.org/raic/raic_foundation/index_e.htm

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- To celebrate the richness and diversity of architecture in Canada; and



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