Annual Report
RAIC | Architecture Canada – the leading voice of architecture in Canada – seeks to build awareness and appreciation of the contribution of architecture to our physical well-being and the cultural development of Canada. Our mission is:

- To affirm that architecture matters;
- To celebrate the richness and diversity of architecture in Canada; and,
- To support architects in achieving excellence.

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It was a pleasure and honour to have been able to serve the RAIC as President during the past year. 2013 was a very exciting and rewarding year.

Through the hard work of David Craddock and Jim McKee we were able to get the Syllabus Renewal Program, in conjunction with Athabasca University, up and running smoothly.

On January 31st we held a very successful Governor General Awards Ceremony at Rideau Hall. The awards this year covered the full range of projects that we as architects do on a daily basis, from public works buildings to housing and civic designs.

For the second year in a row, the RAIC partnered with an Atlantic Canada Regulator (NSAA) to present a very successful Festival of Architecture. We have heard positive comments about the Festival’s organization, the continuing education program, keynote speakers and the extra activities.

We continued to have meetings and correspondence with other International architectural associations to advance mutual cooperation on a global scale. In September we partnered with the Interior Designers of Canada to host the IIDEXCanada show in Toronto. This show offered some continuing education and keynote speakers for architects.

The RAIC board had three face-to-face meetings in 2013 to deal with association business. We also dealt with a white paper produced by a number of board members and staff which charted options for the future of the RAIC. The positive facilitated discussions which followed will, I believe, lead to a stronger and more beneficial RAIC.

In November we were honoured to be able to present His Highness the Aga Khan with the 2013 RAIC Gold Medal. The ceremony took place at the Delegation of the Ismaili Imamat in Ottawa and was attended by a number of well-known Canadian architects. Also in attendance were dignitaries from embassies and consulates from around the world where the Aga Khan Development Network agencies improve the welfare and prospects of people in the developing world.

I would be remiss if I didn’t thank the outstanding staff at the RAIC office for their dedication and enthusiasm. It is because of their efforts that the RAIC is efficiently run and provides an invaluable service to our members.

I wish the 2014 President, Wayne DeAngelis, a fantastic year.

Paul E. Frank, PP/FRAIC
Past President, RAIC | Architecture Canada
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Honours & Awards

The RAIC administers Canada’s only large-scale national awards program for architecture. The program promotes excellence in the built environment by showcasing outstanding achievements. It serves also to heighten public and media awareness of architecture and the people who create it.

RAIC Awards of Excellence – 2013 Recipients
RAIC Gold Medal

His Highness the Aga Khan

For the first time in more than 30 years, the award went to a non-architect. The Aga Khan’s extraordinary achievements include the Historic Cities Program, which has restored heritage sites throughout the world, and the Aga Khan Award for Architecture.

Architectural Firm Award

Hariri Pontarini Architects
(Toronto, ON)

The jury appreciated the range of work – from high-rise housing to public buildings – demonstrating responsiveness to site, program and tectonics.

Young Architect Award

Maxime-Alexis Frappier, MIRAC
(Montreal, QC)

Maxime-Alexis Frappier previously worked for Saucier + Perrotte architects on projects such as the Perimeter Institute. In 2006, he co-founded ACDF ARCHITECTURE and he also teaches at Université de Montréal.

Emerging Architectural Practice Award

5468796 Architecture Inc.
(Winnipeg, MB)

Established in 2007. Philosophy: Every project, client, user and civic environment – regardless of budget – deserves an outcome that advances architecture in some way.
Prix du XXe Siècle

**Massey College**

Toronto, ON / 1962  
Architect: Ron Thom (with Thompson, Berwick & Pratt)

“Massey College is a skillful and humane interpretation of Arts and Crafts sensibilities in a modernist idiom. It is remarkable for its seamless integration of exterior and interior design.” – JURY COMMENTS

**Grande Prairie Regional College**

Grande Prairie, AB / 1974  
Architect: Douglas Cardinal, FRAIC

Cardinal’s “highly individual approach has shaped a building that has become a regional landmark. It is valued highly by the College as a working environment and an embodiment of a distinctive understanding of place and people.”

– JURY COMMENTS

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**Honorary Membership**

Seymour Levine, Hon. MRAIC

Seymour Levine, P. Eng. taught the mechanical engineering course at the McGill School of Architecture for more than 50 years.
College of Fellows

2013 National Committee

The Chancellor and the National Committee of the College of Fellows administer the affairs of the College of Fellows and act as the Trustees of the RAIC Foundation on an interim basis while the process of recruiting new Trustees to govern the Foundation is completed.

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The Regional Advisory Committees of the College coordinate the preparation of 2013 nominations for Fellowship.

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Donald Sterritt
Katherine Ann Wagner
Michael H.K. Wong
2013 Festival of Architecture

Almost 400 people attended the successful 2013 Festival of Architecture, which took place in Halifax, NS in partnership with the Nova Scotia Association of Architects.

Keynote Speakers

Brian MacKay-Lyons, FRAIC, is a Nova Scotia architect and winner of six Governor General Medals, two American Institute of Architects Honor Awards for Architecture, and 15 Lieutenant Governor’s Medals of Excellence.

Ed Feiner, Hon. FRAIC, is director of the Perkins+Will Design Leadership Forum, and recipient of the AIA Thomas Jefferson Award for public architecture and the United States Government Distinguished Service Award.
Festival Local Organizing Committee

LEFT TO RIGHT: Paul Frank, FRAIC (RAIC President, NSAA Past President) / Ramzi Kawar, MRAIC (NSAA) / Alice Da Silva, MRAIC (PWGSC, Toronto) / Ron Bardock, FRAIC (NSAA Immediate Past President) / Monica Sweetapple (NSAA) / Carol Rogers, MRAIC (NSAA) / Thérèse LeBlanc, FRAIC (NSAA Past President) / Eugene Pieczonka, FRAIC (NSAA Past President) / Gary Hanley, FRAIC (NSAA) / Margo Dauphinee (NSAA Executive Director) / Leif-Peter Fuchs, MRAIC (NSAA President) / Rachelle Lemieux, MRAIC (RAIC Director Representing Interns and Intern Architects) / Diane Scott, Hon. MRAIC (NSAA Executive Director, Retired)

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Professional Development

Veronafiere

In 2013, six members travelled to Italy for a course on stone and marble in Verona and Milan, thanks to RAIC’s partnership with Veronafiere, the Italian trade-show organizer. It marked the seventh year that the RAIC has provided scholarships for this exciting continuing-education opportunity.

“This was a fantastic experience, which I am glad others are able to share in the coming years.”

Will Craig, MRAIC, Calgary

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MONTREAL
Barbara Nicholson, MRAIC
FREDERICTON
Continuing Education Courses

The RAIC Festival of Architecture in Halifax offered 32 courses and workshops designed to help members achieve continuing-education points and improve their skills and knowledge. Eighty percent of participants rated the courses as excellent or very good.

IIDEXCanada

For the second year in a row, the RAIC teamed with Interior Designers of Canada (IDC) to jointly present IIDEXCanada in Toronto.

IIDEXCanada – the pre-eminent design showcase in Canada – took place September 2013.

By getting involved in the selection of keynotes and organization of continuing-education sessions, the RAIC is building the architectural dimension of the show. The presence of the RAIC raises awareness of the key role architects play in the design and development of livable communities.
Membership

As of December 31, 2013, the RAIC had 4,783 members in all categories. This is a net increase of 236 members from December 31, 2012.

In 2013, the renewal rate was 93 percent. Through promotion with schools of architecture, provincial associations and a direct-mail campaign, we were able to recruit 456 new members, 143 of which were licensed architects. The RAIC is continually striving to increase this crucial area of the membership base.

“RAIC is great! You are GREATLY appreciated by those of us not registered!”

Dianne McLauchlan, MRAIC, Edmonton

Improvements to the RAIC Services Portal have made it more user-friendly for members to make purchases in the store, update contact information and directory preferences, and renew memberships.

In 2013, the RAIC instituted a Parental Leave policy, allowing members a reprieve from fees – while retaining full benefits – during maternal and paternal leave.

The RAIC board of directors also approved a new policy allowing interns five years of membership at a reduced rate. The previous discount period was three years. This change reflects the time it takes interns to become licensed architects.
Communications and Advocacy

In 2013, the RAIC employed a variety of communications tools. These included monthly electronic bulletins and regular e-blasts to members. Press releases publicized award winners and the Festival of Architecture. The bi-annual Architecture magazine featured an awards issue and a healthcare-design issue.

On the advocacy front, board members continued to write columns that appeared in the Daily Commercial News, SABMag, AWARD Magazine and the Canadian Journal of Green Building & Design.

The RAIC also became involved in the debate about Canada Post’s plan for community mailboxes. Its press release highlighting the need for urban-design thinking received coverage in several media outlets.

The RAIC worked to promote best practices. For instance, the Royal Canadian Mint heard concerns from the RAIC regarding an RFP that did not meet RAIC standards for fair competition and high-quality architectural services.

Heritage conservation received attention. For example, the RAIC joined other experts urging the City of Ottawa to designate a 1960s neighbourhood in Ottawa, Briarcliffe, as a heritage conservation district. These efforts resulted in it becoming the first post-war community in Canada to receive this designation.

The RAIC, together with the Heritage Canada Foundation, lobbied the Bank of Canada over proposed changes to the Bank’s Arthur Erickson design. Discussion is ongoing.

In response to a desire by members for a stronger focus on advocacy, the RAIC hired a full-time manager of communications and advocacy. Maria Cook previously worked as a journalist for the Ottawa Citizen, where she specialized in architecture, urbanism and design.
Practice Support

In keeping with his initial objectives, James Anderson, MRAIC, the new Chair of the Practice Support Committee met with the committee members on a quarterly basis during 2013.

CCDC/Contract Documents

Some of the work focused on redesign of most of the Canadian Construction Documents Committee (CCDC) contract documents. The committee’s hard work saw the final endorsement of CCDC14/15. Both documents were released in late 2013. Work is also ongoing for CCDC 2 (Lump Sum Contract), CCDC 23 (A Guide to Calling Bids and Awarding Construction Contracts), CCDC 29 (Prequalification Guide) as well as CCDC 40 (Rules for Mediation and Arbitration of Construction Industry Dispute).

In 2013, the RAIC undertook to review similar documents in conjunction, in particular the OAA’s document: OAA 600. The latest version was released in April 2013 and a comparison of both documents was completed to identify potential areas for improvement.

FIRPAC

The Federal Industry Real Property Advisory Council (FIRPAC), composed of organizations such as the RAIC and the Association of Consulting Engineers of Canada (ACEC) as well as federal clients, met three times in 2013. They discussed issues pertaining to jointly-supported contract language in order to address proper compensation and liability limitation concerns regarding re-use of designs by clients. This project was initiated by federal clients such as Public Works (PWGSC) and Defence Construction (DCC) showing interest in re-using designs for their facilities.

Federal Procurement

In 2013, the RAIC continued to advocate on behalf of architects by staying in regular contact with federal government/departmental agencies to address important issues that affect architects in Canada. For example, 2013 saw the federal procurement system move from Merx.ca to buyandsell.gc.ca developed in-house. Other issues pertained to RFPs issued by the Royal Canadian Mint and the RCMP.

The RAIC, along with the ACEC, continued to monitor the new scoring system recently implemented by the DCC to assess proposals for professional services.
Institute for Building Information Modelling in Canada (IBC)

Following several meetings in 2013, the IBC released a PxP Toolkit overview that is now in the hands of industry partners for review. Allan Teramura, FRAIC, reported that current activities on the BIM committee include development of an operations manual, finalizing contract language for BIM as well as ongoing development of the Practice Manual.

2030 Challenge

In 2013, we continued with a second cycle of case studies of projects that meet or exceed current carbon footprint reduction targets set out by the Challenge. This set of additional studies was added to the website, which now displays 17 of Canada’s energy-efficient buildings.

With the conclusion of the case studies project, the RAIC has refocused its energy on advancing the Challenge to the next level. To accomplish this, we have hired Stephen Pope, FRAIC, to spearhead talks to embed the 2030 targets into the national model energy code.

P3 Procurement Issue

With public-private partnerships on the rise at all levels of government (federal, provincial and municipal), there is increasing risk of architects’ fees being eroded, affecting the ability of firms to operate. While the issue of architect fees is ultimately a responsibility of the regulators, the RAIC has agreed to coordinate efforts with the Alberta Association of Architects (AAA), the Ontario Association of Architects (OAA) and the Architectural Institute of British Columbia (AIBC). To that effect, the RAIC partnered with the OAA to hold a session at the annual Design Build conference. The session was to advocate to clients as well as educate them on preferred models for contracting architectural services within set frameworks.
External Relations

National Affairs

In November of 2013, the RAIC was proud to announce a new funding agreement signed with Employment and Skills Development Canada (ESDC). The $800,000 agreement will help the Canadian Architectural Licensing Authorities (CALA) to engage with international bodies such as the Architects’ Council of Europe (ACE) as well as the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) to continue development of Mutual Recognition Agreements. Funding will also permit continuing development of the Tri-National Mutual Recognition Agreement (Canada-United States-Mexico) with the National Council of Architectural Licensing Boards (NCARB).

International Affairs

During the IIDEXCanada conference in Toronto, the RAIC executive met with the delegates from the Nigerian Institute of Architects (NIA). Discussions involved bi-lateral partnership and coordination in the areas of green architecture, public mass housing in Canada and sharing of national guides to assist the NIA with development of their documents.

Also at IIDEXCanada, the RAIC College of Fellows executive met with the AIA College of Fellows to explore opportunities for cooperation. This resulted in a decision to develop a Memorandum of Understanding to address important issues common to both groups.

2014 Venice Architecture Biennale

The RAIC in conjunction with the RAIC Foundation launched and continues to manage the fundraising campaign for “Arctic Adaptations: Nunavut at 15”, Canada’s exhibit at the 2014 Venice Architecture Biennale, and its 2015-17 Canadian tour. To date, more than 100 corporations, architecture firms, engineering firms, developers, general contractors, individuals and others from the extended Canadian architecture community have become sponsors or donors, and the project is now 100 percent funded.
The UIA Sports and Leisure Group came together for the 2013 congress of the International Association for Sports and Leisure Facilities (IAKS) held in Cologne in October. The Sports and Leisure Group has been an integral part of this biennial congress, particularly in chairing sessions and making presentations.

Conrad Boychuk, MRAIC, (UIA-Canada) and Karin Schwarz-Viechtbauer (UIA-Austria) chaired a session highlighting the winners of both the Exemplary Sports and Leisure Facilities Awards, and the Student and Young Professionals Awards.

Canadian award winners include HCMA’s Hillcrest Recreation Centre in Vancouver and MJM’s Commonwealth Community Recreation Centre in Edmonton.

Viktors Jaunkalns, MRAIC, of MJM gave a presentation on the Commonwealth Community Recreation Centre. Another Canadian presenter, Sean Pearson, MRAIC, spoke about the Nike Football Training Centre in Soweto.

The UIA Sports and Leisure Group is planning a session in Glasgow in May 2014 focusing on the XX Commonwealth Games. It will be conducted in part with the Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland (RIAS).
As the Financial Officer for the RAIC, I am proud to report on our financial performance for 2013. This year marked an important milestone for the RAIC. Five years of work to update the RAIC Syllabus was completed. While the RAIC maintains delivery of the studio component of the program, the RAIC Centre for Architecture at Athabasca University now delivers all academic courses year-round. As a result, the Vancouver office closed. The cost of closing the office and transferring documents to Ottawa is reflected in the 2013 financial statements and represents one reason for the deficit.

Despite the deficit, the RAIC achieved many goals in 2013. Firstly, membership continues to grow. We have 4,783 members – an increase of 236 members over 2012, or five percent. There is a commensurate increase in membership revenue. (Membership dues comprise approximately 50 per cent of total revenues.) We also engaged the services of a consultant to conduct a membership growth campaign, with the goal of 500 new members a year for the next three years. The campaign launched at the end of 2013 and is expected to show results in the 2014 fiscal year.

A second major accomplishment in 2013 was the completion of the Broadly Experienced Foreign Architects (BEFA) program with funding from Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC.) The program wrapped up in March, which explains the significant reduction in revenues under the Grants & General Sponsorship from 31 percent to nine percent. At the end of 2013, the RAIC continued its role as facilitator by obtaining another HRSDC grant in the amount of $804,000 for assisting regulators with Mutual Recognition Agreements. While the project was approved in 2013, most of the financial impact will not be seen until 2014 and 2015.

Thirdly, the Festival of Architecture in Halifax was an enormous success. In partnership with the Nova Scotia Association of Architects, we achieved a surplus of about $137,000 that was split 50/50. With over 350 delegates in attendance, Halifax was one of our most successful festivals ever.

Finally, taking into consideration the ever-increasing risk of depending solely on membership dues to run programs and services, the RAIC was able to increase its non-member dues revenues to six percent. That represents an increase of $50,000 or 50 percent over 2012.

For more information and to access the full audited financial statements of the RAIC, please click on the following: 2013 Financial Statements of the RAIC

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Financial Officer, RAIC | Architecture Canada