



## Heritage Orangeville Awareness Plaque Program

**Heritage Orangeville is pleased to present this opportunity for you to make history come alive!** We invite you to join our Awareness Plaque Program and show people your pride in our heritage and the role your home has in Orangeville's early history. Throughout the town you will have noted a number of older buildings with a plaque that states the approximate date of construction and the name of the original owner, as well as his or her profession. These plaques help us to expand our sense of community and identify the role of early families in the creation of Orangeville.

### **Why are Awareness Plaques Important?**

Historic plaques are a very effective way to raise awareness of important architectural, historic, and cultural features within our community, as well as to promote an awareness of Orangeville's heritage.

### **How is an Awareness Plaque different from a Designation Plaque?**

Awareness plaques do not carry conservation benefits or regulations, nor do they identify your house as a designated property, however, an Awareness plaque obtained through this program does identify an important piece of Orangeville's heritage.

### **Who qualifies for an Awareness Plaque?**

Owners of a building constructed before 1920 may apply for an awareness plaque. It must be stated, however, that Heritage Orangeville does reserve the right to deny an application for a property that has been altered in any way in which its architectural or historical significance has been obscured.

### **What is the cost of an Awareness Plaque?**

The current cost of an awareness plaque is \$100.00 including tax.

### **How to Research the History of Your Property**

In the past, building permits were not required for new building construction and as a result, there may be no official record of when a particular building was constructed.

To begin researching the history of your property, note the plan, block and lot number on your tax bill or assessment notice. Once you have this information, visit the Dufferin County Museum and Archives located at the intersection of Highway 89 and Airport Road. The staff at the Museum will instruct you on your research and assist you with locating records. For Museum hours and admission fees 1-877-941-7787.

### **How do I apply for an Awareness Plaque?**

Please complete the attached application form and submit to Heritage Orangeville at 87 Broadway, Orangeville, ON, L9W 1K1. For more information please call 519-941-0440 ext. 2256.

**Heritage Orangeville  
Awareness Plaque Program**  
Application Form

**Contact Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Property Information**

Legal Description: Plan \_\_\_\_\_ Blk \_\_\_\_\_ Lot \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from above)

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**Research Information** (check the items you are including with your application):

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Current photo, front & side    | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic photo, if available |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant land transfer details | <input type="checkbox"/> Tax records for 2 or 3 years |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Obituary notice, if available  | <input type="checkbox"/> Census information           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                          |   |

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Please note, do not submit original documents (photocopies only).

**Plaque Wording**

Original Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Construction \_\_\_\_\_

**Acknowledgement**

I, the undersigned hereby acknowledge that Heritage Orangeville will retain all records submitted with this application.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Reminder**

Please be sure you have enclosed clear photos of your house showing front and side elevations, photocopies of the listing of land transfers, tax assessments for the year before your house was built and the two years following, and your cheque in the amount of \$100.00 payable to the Town of Orangeville.