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# 2019 Ontario Heritage Conference May 30-June 1, 2019 ~ Bluewater/Goderich, ON

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Registration fees	Early Bird Rate Before April 30, 2019	Regular Rate After April 30, 2019
Full Conference	\$250	\$300
Student Full Conference (proof required)* Subsidy may be available - see below	\$190	\$230
1 Day Friday (no dinner)	\$120	\$145
1 Day Saturday (no dinner)	\$120	\$145

Full Conference fees include:

Attendance at all plenaries and concurrent sessions on Friday and Saturday

Lunches, AM & PM breaks on Friday and Saturday

Access to social events: Opening Reception - Thursday evening - Reception and dinner - Friday evening

1 Day Fees include:

Attendance at all sessions on selected day

Lunch, AM & PM break on selected day

Student Subsidy Info



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**APPLICATION**

**Ontario Heritage Conference 2019**

Thu. May 30 to Sat. June 1, 2019

in support of Ontario's Heritage

**STUDENT SUBSIDY PROGRAM**

In an effort to encourage students to develop an interest in heritage, OHCF/PCO wishes to set up a program to subsidize students who wish to attend the annual Ontario Heritage Conference.

Deadline for application: April 28, 2019

OHCF/PCO-CONFERENCE@HERITAGEONTARIO.CA  
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### Programming Highlights

Program as of Mar 9



Friday, May 31 at 7:00 pm  
Knights of Columbus Hall  
Gala Dinner  
**Anthony Wilson-Smith**  
President and CEO  
Historica Canada

Anthony has been in his present position since joining the organization in 2012. Prior to that, he had a long career in journalism, serving as a national and foreign correspondent and then Editor-in-Chief of Macleans Magazine. After

leaving journalism, he held senior executive roles at a major federal Crown Corporation and one of Canada's largest financial institutions. A Montreal native, Anthony has worked in more than 35 countries abroad as well as all of Canada's provinces and territories, and appeared as a political and social commentator on national and international media on networks including CBC, CTV, Global Television, Radio-Canada, Great Britain's BBC and ITV, and C-SPAN and ABC television news in the United States, along with the Moscow News in Russia. He has been honored for his work in the mental health sector and for encouraging diversity, and in 2018 was awarded The Sovereign's Medal For Community Service.

Historica Canada offers programs you can use to explore, learn, and reflect on our history and what it means to be Canadian. Last year its programs reached more than 24 million Canadians, making it the largest national organization of its kind. Historica Canada's best-known offerings include the Heritage Minutes, a collection of more than 90 vignettes recounting stories of important people and events, and The Canadian Encyclopedia, an online resource with more than 20,000 authored, accurate and continuously updated articles.



**Saturday June 1 9am Session**  
**Lime Burning in Ontario –**  
**Characteristics and Cultural**  
**Value**  
Christopher Andreae  
Historica Research

Ontario's lime burning industry, dating from c1830 to c1930, is scattered across much of southern Ontario. Public awareness of its

cultural value ranges from oblivious to curious. The industry was located primarily in rural areas and generally did not leave adverse environmental impacts on the countryside – unlike many other industrial activities. Heritage planning issues

associated with lime burning are applicable to most other "old" provincial industrial sites.

Christopher Andreae has more than 40 years of professional experience in historical archaeology, built heritage assessments and cultural heritage landscape studies. He has worked on a wide variety of projects including domestic commercial and industrial buildings, road and railway bridges and other historic transportation infrastructure. He is a founding member of Canadian Association of Heritage Professionals, a former president and currently a director.

#### **Friday, May 31 at 10:45 When Disaster Strikes**

**Disaster Strikes: Lessons Learned from Post-Tornado Goderich**  
Communities across Ontario have faced disasters in their heritage downtowns whether it be fire, floods or other. In August of 2011, the Town of Goderich was tasked with responding to the greatest disaster ever to impact a heritage conservation district in Canada, an F3 tornado which devastated many parts of the town, including the historic Square. So what was learned? This session will focus specifically on the impacts on the Square, the challenges and opportunities encountered, and the lessons learned through the rebuilding process and in the years since. Hear from: Town Chief Administrative Officer, Larry McCabe; local architect and affected landowner, Allan Avis; local insurance broker and affected landowner, Wayne Lyons; and County Planner, Denise Van Amersfoort.

#### **Saturday, June 1 1:45pm session - A Farm Fresh Take on Rural Tourism**

Hear about three projects that are re-positioning agriculture and rural heritage into new tourism products. The Ontario Barn Quilts Trail ([barnquilts.ca](http://barnquilts.ca)) draws attention to Canada's disappearing rural landscapes, timber frame barns, and the family farm. These eye-catching folk art works attract visitors and helps rural communities put themselves on the map. The Bruce-Huron Produce Auction is a seasonal food hub owned and operated by members of an Old Order Mennonite community. Their goal is to increase family farm revenue by working together to offer their produce in wholesale lots to attract retailers, restaurateurs and wholesalers. Learn how this aggregation and distribution of locally produced product feeds an authentic value chain, so important to culinary tourism. Taste of Huron ([tasteofhuron.com](http://tasteofhuron.com)) is a brand that identifies local food products and fresh and delicious food & beverage experiences in Huron County. Recently revitalized – Taste of Huron is the long time Huron County culinary tourism brand and its value is recognized by local producers and consumers alike.

#### **Friday, May 31 - 10:45am session - Dave Pullen**

##### ***Natural Infrastructure and the Huron County Economy - Two Centuries of Change***

From unbroken forest cover to a highly advanced agricultural economy, join Dave for an insightful look at how Huron County's natural ecosystems have provided livelihoods and resilience for generations past and present.



**Saturday, June 1 10:45 session  
GRISTS, RAILS, and CRYSTALS**  
An armchair tour of Mills along the Maitland River, Huron County's Railway Stations and a link to Queen Victoria's Prince Albert, along with a few of John Rutledge's restoration projects.



**Friday, May 31 9am  
Opening Keynote**  
We are very fortunate that Kelly will be one of our keynote speakers, presenting us with his analysis of the economic impact of **heritage tourism**.

Hill Strategies Research is widely respected across Canada and internationally as a leading authority on arts and culture research, with nearly 20 years of research experience in this area. Founder &

President, Kelly Hill has an unparalleled knowledge of the Canadian arts sector and arts-related statistics. Since founding Hill Strategies in 2002, Kelly has prepared nearly 400 reports and presentations on the arts and culture, involving quantitative and qualitative arts research.



**Friday, May 31 - 1:45 pm  
Agriculture Photographic  
Exploration Bonnie Sitter**  
Bonnie will take us on a visual journey of the province's various agricultural



commodities. The significant recent evolution in farming methods will be illustrated with particular attention paid to changes brought about by advances in technology. Production methods and interesting "did you know" facts will be included.

Bonnie Sitter has co-authored 2 coffee table books, 'The Beauty and Bounty of Huron County' (2013) and

'Agriculture Today: A Portrait of Family Farms in Ontario' (2017).

Her articles and photographs are regularly published in The Rural Voice and often involve history with an agricultural flavour.

Stay tuned for 'Onion Skins and Peach Fuzz: Memories of Ontario Farmerettes', book release anticipated later this year.



**Saturday, June 1 - 10:45am Dave Gillians  
The Bayfield River Flats Campaign**

Dave Gillians is a graduate from Mt. Allison University and Wilfrid Laurier University. He is retired from TDCanada Trust.

Dave was one of the founders of the Bayfield River Valley Trail Association, is a past President of the Bayfield Historical Society and was the fundraising chair of the Bayfield River Flats acquisition team.

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