

The Old Knox church stained glass acts as a unique window into history of the Regina Tornado of 1912. The stained glass findings were moved to a coal bin in the basement of Knox-Metropolitan United and virtually forgotten until they were donated to the Regina Plains Museum in 1995. The Museum was able to identify many of the stained glass pieces as having been from a large rose window at Knox Presbyterian. They used these pieces to restore the window.

Today, it helps to inspire us to create a new account of that incredible event.



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# President's Message

I am proud to share with you the success of the Museum over the past year! 2013 was a year of transition as the Civic Museum of Regina focused on preparing the new location for exhibit installation

and for the entire Collection to be relocated to the new facility. The hard work and dedication of staff and countless volunteer hours resulted in the Museum setting the official opening date for February 2014, in conjunction with Heritage Week. Truly exciting times for the Museum not only to finally relocate after years of planning, but also to formally commence operating as the Civic Museum of Regina!

On behalf of the Board of Directors I want to acknowledge and thank everyone whose hard work contributed to our continued success! We thank all of our funding agencies and supports for their help, in particular the Museum Members, the City of Regina, SaskCulture and the citizens of Regina.

In 2014 we begin to write the next chapter in the Museum's proud history – and I invite each and every Regina citizen, guest and visitor to share in the exciting journey of the new Civic Museum of Regina!

- Rob Deglau, President

# Executive Director's Message

2013 was a truly exciting time for the Museum with the development of the new location, exhibit design and installation, and implementation of a new operating name; all significant strides that reflect and celebrate the mandate of the Museum and position the Museum as Regina's premier Civic Museum! The Civic Museum of Regina presents to residents and guests alike the story of the unique growth and development of



Saskatchewan's capital city. It is a record of who we are, where we have been, and where we are going. I would like to thank a dedicated Board of Directors and the countless volunteer hours and support, without which all of the recent accomplishments would not have been possible!

I would also like to share recent achievements that took place in 2013 despite the physical doors being closed. Achievements include: recipient of City of Regina, 2013 Municipal Heritage Award in Category of Education; recipient of Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, 2013 Heritage Architecture Excellence Award for outstanding contributions to the conservation of Saskatchewan's built heritage; recognition from the International Downtown Association for initiatives related to the Regina Tornado Legacy Project; and, contributing to a local short film maker independent film entitled "the sky came down" which received two international film nominations in 2013 including Best Overall Production and Award of Merit as well as a nomination to the national renowned Golden Sheaf Awards.

We thank our forefathers for the vision and enthusiasm to create the Museum. We accept the challenge and responsibility of ensuring the continued success of their dream!

- Shari Sokochoff, Executive Director

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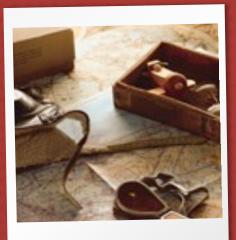
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#### 2013 Staff/Contract Positions

Shari Sokochoff, Executive Director Iris Howden, Accountant Jim Zatulsky, Auditor

We extend our sincere appreciation and thanks to our members, sponsors and volunteers for their tremendous support!



### CIVIC MUSEUM OF REGINA

- Through exhibiting, collecting and programming activities, the Museum reflects the history of Regina.
- The Collection preserves the significant cultural, social, political and economic development of the community.
- The Civic Museum of Regina collaborates with other museums and organizations to limit duplication of collections and services.



# PHOTOS FROM THIS YEAR













We are thrilled to finally be open in our new location, offering an array of exhibits that celebrate the City of Regina and tell the related stories and history!

We thank all of our Members and Cultural colleagues for your patience and support!

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## OLD CITY HALL

By 1903, when Regina had become a city, the building was noticeably too small to serve the community's needs. A new city hall needed to be built. Built on 11th Avenue between Hamilton and Rose Streets, the new building was ornately decorated. It was often known as "The Gingerbread Palace."





## OLD POST OFFICE

The old post office officially renamed the Prince Edward Building in 2003 has now been converted to commercial and cultural use in connection with the ongoing attempt now dating back three decades to revitalize downtown Scarth Street as a pedestrian mall. It houses the Globe Theatre. The building was replaced as a post office in 1956 by the current post office on Saskatchewan Drive (formerly South Railway Street).

## PIONEER'S HOME

In the late 1800s, free homesteads of 160 acres were available on the prairies. Pioneers settled in the Regina district to take advantage of the water and the fertile soil.





Old Fur press.



## CAPITOL THEATRE

At the start of the 20th century, Regina saw a boom in theatre construction. One of the many built during this time was the Capitol Theatre, located on the corner of Scarth Street and 12th Avenue. The 1,500 capacity theatre, built in 1921, was touted as "one of the finest theatres in the Canadian West" by the Regina Leader.



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# A sample of what's on our website...

- Information about museum facilities and staff
- Educational and community programming
- 3. Current and upcoming exhibits
- 4. Related sites
- 5. A chronology of Regina
- 6. Museum news
- 7. 1912 Tornado of Regina project
- 8. Artifact images

Museum Mission Statement
Civic Museum presents Regina's culture
and history through various exhibits.
Resource centre and reflection area.

Civic Museum was registered as a charity on December 15, 1959 and incorporated as a non-profit organization on January 4, 1960.

Operating as Regina's Civic Museum, it is the only museum with a mandate to collect materials related to the cultural, social, political and economic growth and development of the peoples of Regina. This is made possible through collecting, documenting, preserving and exhibit-ing artifacts and other heritage collections.

The Museum of the Future The Museum's goal is to tell the Regina's history. It is housed in a building worthy of being the Civic Museum for Regina. By recognizing the power of memory to shape present experience, the Museum of the future will be a public space for sharing, discussion, even debating social issues, providing the historical context for community concerns. Neighbours will learn together from the past and move forward with confidence into the future. The Museum will present to residents and visitors alike, the unique growth and development of Saskatchewan's capital city and all will have the opportunity to share in the creation of public culture in Regina.

A special thanks to our sponsors and supporters:





Farewell until we meeting again in 2014!!