



Ontario Association for  
Applied Architectural Sciences

## TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM OF THE OAA

### REPORT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR | REGISTRAR



#### 2017 RAIC/OAA Festival of Architecture ARCHITECTURE 150

Next year is Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday. All year long, special events will take place in Ottawa. From May 24-27, that city will host the **2017 Festival of Architecture**, organized by the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada and the Ontario Association of Architects. Thousands of people will converge on Ottawa to celebrate Canadian architecture.

We are inviting all OAAAS members to register for what should prove to be a very memorable 3-day event. The OAA has arranged for all members of OAAAS to register for the events at the OAA member price!

Over the past five years, the OAAAS and its members have played an increasingly active role in the OAA annual Conference. OAAAS has a booth, our members attend the OAA Admission Course, our student awards are presented during the Friday lunch before a crowd of 400+ and our Board of Directors conducts its Annual Meeting. Many members register for Conference events, including the Continuing Education sessions.

Please consider joining your colleagues in Ottawa May 24-27, 2017 for this exciting event. [Click here](#) to view the **Festival Website** for complete details. Check back later this year for the announcement of the registration launch date in early 2017.

If you do come to Ottawa, make sure to get a ticket for the Friday **Recognition Lunch**, where the OAAAS Student Awards will be presented alongside several RAIC and OAA awards. This event gives OAAAS an opportunity to talk about the important role technologists play in architecture, as well as to highlight the excellent work done by our community colleges and their students. And, as a very special event, we will organize an **OAAAS Social Gathering** evening on Thursday, May 25 for all technologists attending the Conference.

Overall, this is celebration you will not want to miss. Come and be a part of history!

Regards to all,

*Garry Neil, Executive Director | Registrar*

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## 2017 RAIC/OAA Festival

ARCHITECTURE 150  
OTTAWA, ON MAY 24 - 27, 2017



**The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada and the Ontario Association of Architects invite you to participate in the Festival of Architecture to be held May 24-27, 2017 in Ottawa.**

**The three-day Festival celebrates the theme of Architecture 150. As Canadians mark our country's 150th anniversary, we will pause to consider the role of architecture in creating our built heritage and expressing our culture. Architecture profoundly affects people; it forms the buildings and communities that Canadians call home, and it reflects the values of society. The work of architects contributes to well-being, quality of life and economic prosperity. As Canadians increasingly appreciate design, we seek to increase public awareness of the role of architects.**

**In 2017, as we celebrate the cultural legacy of past generations, we will look at how the architects of today and tomorrow will exercise leadership in creating livable and sustainable communities shaped by design excellence.**

**Don't miss this exceptional event to ignite the future of architecture while reflecting on our heritage and cultural past!**

**[Click here](#) to view the Festival Website.**

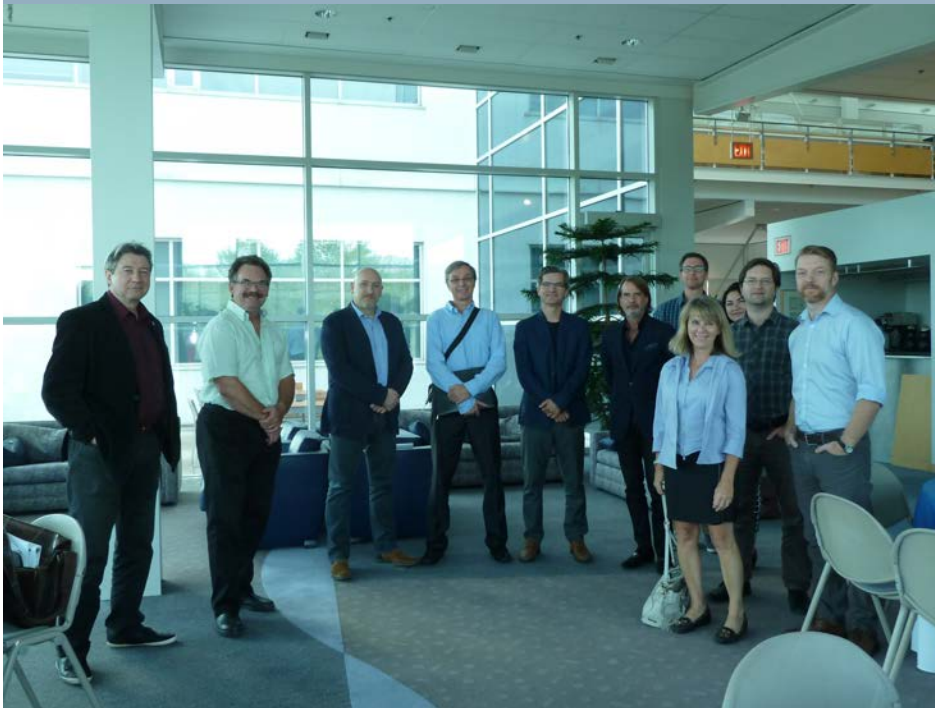
## 2<sup>nd</sup> MEETING of ONTARIO'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE ARCHITECTURAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS

The 2nd OAAAS - sponsored meeting of Ontario's Community College Architectural Technology Programs was held on Sept 21, 2016. Representatives from colleges throughout Ontario came together to discuss the the OAAAS Student Awards Program, new partnership opportunities, college curriculums, initiatives on how to increase communication between the colleges, as well as college related matters.

We would like to thank all participants for your great enthusiasm, brilliant ideas and ongoing support of OAAAS initiatives. College representatives that were able to participate this year were: John Romanov - Centennial College, Stan Zalewski - Durham College, Costan Boiangiu - Georgian College, Pietro Ferrari - George Brown College, Marlene Slopack - George Brown College, Anais Deragopian - Humber College, Chuck Barsony - Loyalist College, Kenneth Snell - Sheridan College, Richard Briginshaw - Algonquin College, Craig Skoyles - St. Clair College. OAAAS Board Members in attendance were: Jeremiah Gammond - OAAAS President, Jean Audette, Chris Oke and John Romanov.

### OAAAS Awards – NEW Small Building Project Award

One of the topics discussed during the meeting was the launch of the new OAAAS Student Award, '*Small Building Project Award*', that will be open to community college students in semesters 1-4. The award will be for a small building design, defined as any project that is within the scope of practice of the Licensed Technologist OAA. This new award will be launched in 2017.



Front Row (Left to Right): Costan Boiangiu, Chuck Barsony, Pietro Ferrari, Kenneth Snell, Stan Zalewski, John Romanov, Marlene Slopack.

Back Row (Left to Right): Chris Oke, Anais Deragopian, Jeremiah Gammond, Jean Audette.



From L to R: Garry Neil, Jeremiah Gammond and college representatives.



From L to R: Kenneth Snell, Chuck Barsony, Jeremiah Gammond, Garry Neil, Stan Zalewski, Costan Boiangiu, Anais Deragopian



**NEW LICENSED  
TECHNOLOGIST OAA  
MEMBERS**



Congratulations to the following members who recently received their Licensed Technologist OAA Licence:

- Gregory Balfourt**
- Darren Brunne**
- Paul Dhir**
- Marita Sureshni Fernando**

**NEW OAAAS  
MEMBERS**



We would like to welcome the following new OAAAS members:

- Ansam Ahmed**
- Evangelia Apatsidou**
- Yama Asad**
- Paul Miller**

**2016 CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS**

**October - November**

OAAAS will be visiting colleges throughout Ontario to promote the organization and the 2017 Student Awards Program to Architectural Technology students.

**Nov 21 - Deadline**

Deadline to become a Technologist OAAAS member in order to be eligible to attend the **2017 OAA Admission Course** and write your **OAAAS Exam** in June or November 2017. For details contact [RommyR@oaaas.ca](mailto:RommyR@oaaas.ca).

**Nov 22 - Exam Date**

The last 2016 OAAAS examination date is November 22. Note that you must have attended the OAA Admission Course in order to be eligible to write the exam. To register, contact [RommyR@oaaas.ca](mailto:RommyR@oaaas.ca).

**December 30**

In December 2016, members will receive their membership dues invoice for the 2017 calendar year. Thereafter, all members will be invoiced every December for the following calendar year.

## MEET THE OAAAS BOARD of DIRECTORS

The OAAAS Board of Directors comprises individuals with highly successful careers who dedicate countless hours supporting the Architectural Technology Program of the OAA. We thought we would give the members of OAAAS the opportunity to learn a bit more about the individuals who make up the current Board of Directors.

Jeremiah Gammond, President, Lic.Tech.OAA  
 Jean Audette, Lic.Tech.OAA  
 Don Ardiel, Board Member OAA Representative  
 Richard Labelle, OACETT Representative

Brian Luey, Treasurer and OAA Representative  
 Richard Mateljan, Lic.Tech.OAA  
 Chris Oke, Lic.Tech.OAA  
 John Romanov, OAA Representative

### JEREMIAH GAMMOND, Lic.Tech.OAA, OAAAS President; Owner, Gammond Architectural Technology



#### Education

Jeremiah obtained his diploma in architectural technology from Thunder Bay's Confederation College in 2000. A couple of years after graduation, he entered the RAIC's Syllabus Program to

further his knowledge and skills in architecture. Though not yet complete, he studied part-time for about ten years before turning his attention to the development of his practice. Jeremiah regularly spends time in professional development in a wide array of topics, but has focused on energy-efficient design of buildings. In 2013, he took a week long course on the PassivHaus program and subsequently passed the PassivHaus Institute's certification examination. Most recently, he has enrolled in the University of Toronto's Landscape Design program.

#### Career

Prior to studying architectural technology at college, Jeremiah worked for a local architectural technology firm where he confirmed his passion for the industry. After graduation, he was hired by a local architecture firm where he worked for the next 14+ years as the senior technologist on small and medium sized projects of all types, with a focus on commercial buildings. Some highlights during this time include the interior and exterior renovations to City of Thunder Bay City Hall, KZA Health Centre, and the Fort William Historical Park David Thompson Astronomical Observatory.

In 2013, Jeremiah ventured on his own and started Gammond Architectural Technology. His firm -- which includes another OAAAS Technologist -- focusses on small commercial and multi-unit residential developments and interior design projects in Northwestern Ontario. Aside from their own design projects, Gammond AT provides design, technical, and contract administration support services to architecture and engineering firms. Gammond AT has recently completed the design for a multi-unit student residence in downtown Thunder Bay and is at the preliminary stages of developing a master plan for a student village.

#### Profession

Jeremiah has served his profession by acting as a sessional teacher in interior design at Confederation College and through various board and committee positions. Jeremiah is an active member of the Northwestern Society of Architects, OAAAS board and committees, and the OAA Practice Committee. For more information on Jeremiah's career trajectory visit: [www.gammondat.ca](http://www.gammondat.ca)



**Algoma Residence, Student Apartments**

**DONALD ARDIEL, OAA Representative,  
Director, Practice Support and Director,  
Syllabus -- Royal Architectural Institute of  
Canada**



Donald Ardiel is an architect, project manager, educator and generalist. Don has practiced as a sole practitioner for the past 20 years serving clients with research laboratory, health care,

education and community services facilities. Don developed the Professional Certificate in Project Management Program for Western University and the full-time, two-year Graduate Diploma in Project Management for Lambton College. Don is the past Director of Certification and e-Learning for the Project Management Institute Southwestern Ontario Chapter. Beyond the typical, Don has worked in television program production, theatre production, and medical research. Don has just started his new position as Director, Practice Support and Director, Syllabus for the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

**JEAN AUDETTE, Lic.Tech.OAA, OAAAS,  
Project Manager at Mitchell Architects**



Jean has been a Licensed Technologist OAA since 2008. He graduated with honours from the Architectural Technology program at Algonquin College of Applied Arts and Technology and have

been working continuously in the field of architecture for 20 years. Early in his career he realized that valuable experience would be the key to success.

His career began in 1995 at a small architectural practice where he worked countless hours on a wide

variety of projects. The experience and confidence gained during this employment was the motivation Jean needed for the next phase of his career.

In 1998, Jean opened Fontaine and Audette with my long-time friend and business partner Trudi Fontaine, who is a Technologist OAAAS. They successfully practiced architectural technology as Fontaine and Audette for nine years before deciding it was time to close that chapter in order to advance our professional status and pursue licensure with the OAA. In 2007, he joined the experienced team at Mitchell Architects as a project manager. Mitchell Architects is a medium sized firm with offices in North Bay and Huntsville focusing on long term care, children's health facilities, commercial and industrial developments, and residential projects. Mitchell Architects was instrumental in providing the experience, knowledge and encouragement required to complete the Licensed Technologist OAA Program.

**RICHARD LABELLE, Civil Engineering  
Technician, OACETT Representative**



Richard Labelle is currently the OACETT Representative serving on the OAAAS Board of Directors. A graduate of the Civil Engineering Technology/Technician Program of Sheridan College in 1992, he

lives in North Bay. Richard recently began working as Coordinator, Construction Services at Defence Construction Canada. Previously, he worked for six years at J.L. Richards & Associates Ltd. As a Senior Project Manager in the Mining, Hydro Power Generation, and Industrial sectors.

He also has extensive experience in Building Sciences working in North Bay at the Nipissing District Housing Corporation, as Technical Services Manager. At the start of his career, he gained experience in the Civil Sector working as General Manager for L.B. Landfill in Sturgeon Falls, Project Manager at Hutcheson General Contracting in Huntsville, and Project Manager at Dale's Construction in North Bay.

**CHRIS OKE, Lic. Tech. OAA, Project Manager, AECOM Ltd.**



A graduate of London's Fanshawe College Architectural Technology Co-op program. Chris has been working as an Architectural Technologist for 17 years, the last seven as a Licensed

Technologist OAA. He has been a member of the OAAAS Board of Directors for two years.

He is employed by AECOM Ltd. in Kitchener, Ontario. With over 100,000 employees worldwide, AECOM is the largest AEC company in the world. Chris manages a team of technologists (many of whom are Lic. Tech. OAA) on large scale multi-discipline infrastructure projects for Wastewater and Transportation throughout Ontario. He considers himself fortunate to work with a forward thinking company which embraces the new era of BIM and cloud collaboration. Most projects he works on have

teams spanning multiple cities, using Revit and Cloud storage to produce working drawings. Currently, Chris is performing Contact Administration duties for a \$900 million Light Rail Transit line in Kitchener.

Chris believes his designation has shown his employer his commitment to continuing education to keep himself up-to-date with all the latest trends. This provides them with an advantage when pursuing new work.

He considers his time on the Board of Directors as extremely rewarding and he's always looking for opportunities to promote the OAAAS and finding new members.

Projects that Chris has been involved in most recently are:

**Educational Projects**

2013-2014 Upper Grand District School Board, Maryborough PS and Ross MacKay PS, Interior Renovations.

**Institutional Projects**

2014-2016 Regional Municipality of Waterloo, ION Light Rail Transit, Kitchener / Waterloo, ON.  
2011-2016 Regional Municipality of Waterloo, Wastewater Treatment Plant, Kitchener, ON.

**Industrial Projects**

2012-2013 Snyders Lance Canada Limited, Interior Renovations, Guelph, ON.

residential, commercial, industrial, assembly and recreational projects. The broad range and scope of the projects for which the firm has been commissioned is a testimony to John's design and administrative skills.

The philosophy employed by Romanov Romanov Architects Incorporated, and exemplified in John's work is to identify the specific requirements of the Client and to satisfy these in the most meaningful and expeditious manner. This entails a most detailed approach to design, a thorough investigation of all by-laws and code requirements and the rigorous testing of all proposals to cost constraints.

Since 2006, John has also held the position of Professor/Coordinator of Architecture and Construction Management Faculty of Science & Technology of Centennial College, Toronto ON.

For more information on John's career trajectory visit: [www.romrom.com](http://www.romrom.com)

**JOHN F. ROMANOV, OAA, AAA, MRAIC, AAIA, CET, LEED, President Romanov Romanov Architects**



John commenced the practice of architecture in Montreal in 1977. Subsequently, he progressed with his career in Calgary in 1980 before returning east to Toronto in 1984. In 1986 he founded

the firm of Romanov Romanov Architects Incorporated.

As the President of the firm, John has personally directed the design and implementation of a variety of

## CONTINUING EDUCATION CYCLE 2016 - 2018

Title	Hours	Date	Status	Points
CON-001	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-002	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-003	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-004	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-005	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-006	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-007	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-008	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-009	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-010	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-011	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-012	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-013	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-014	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-015	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-016	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-017	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-018	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-019	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-020	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-021	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-022	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-023	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-024	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-025	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-026	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-027	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-028	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-029	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-030	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-031	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-032	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-033	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-034	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-035	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-036	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-037	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-038	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-039	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-040	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-041	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-042	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-043	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-044	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-045	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-046	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-047	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-048	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-049	2.0	7-23	A	2.0
CON-050	2.0	7-23	A	2.0

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECORDING YOUR ConEd HOURS

The deadline for completing the current continuing education cycle is June 30, 2018.

**Technologists OAAAS** members and **Lic. Tech. OAA** are required to complete specific continuing education activities (hours) for every two year Continuing Education Cycle. **It is the responsibility of the member to record their hours on their ConEd Transcript found on the OAA/OAAAS website.**

Continuing education hours include [Structured](#) and [Unstructured Learning](#).

**Technologist OAAAS** members must complete 15 hours of learning (minimum of five hours of Structured learning and 10 hours of Unstructured learning)

**Licensed Technologist OAA** members must complete 35 hours of learning (minimum of 12 hours of Structured learning and 23 hours of Unstructured Learning)

For complete details on the ConEd program visit the following links: [Program Requirements](#), [Learning Activities Eligibility Criteria](#)

ConEd activities are constantly being posted on the website. See the [LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES](#) link for ongoing ConEd opportunities, such as upcoming Distance Education Modules, Education Sessions and Lunch and Learns.

To complete your ConEd responsibilities follow these steps: record your ConEd activities/hours on your ConEd transcript on an ongoing basis. Your ConEd transcript can be found on the OAA/OAAAS website. Direct access link: [Transcripts](#).

To log onto your ConEd transcript use the Username and Password that was issued to you when you joined the OAAAS. These coordinates will be activated when your membership is reclassified to the Technologist OAAAS level.

Once you complete the required hours, your transcript status will read: Completed.

**Technologist OAAAS members** are reminded to keep of a copy of the completed transcript, as you will need to submit it to the OAAAS Office when you apply for your Licensed Technologist OAA licence.



Documents that will assist you to submit your work experience hour are:

[Click for Experience Record Book](#)

Category + Experience Areas Chart  
[Click here for PDF](#)

### WORK EXPERIENCE HOURS

As soon as you join OAAAS, you should begin submitting your work experience hours. This involves keeping track and recording your newly accumulated work experience hours on the official [Experience Record Book \(ERB\)](#) and mailing it periodically to the OAAAS office for validation and calculation, approximately every 1000 hours. This rule does not apply to retroactive submissions which are experience hours gained prior to joining OAAAS, which must be submitted within three months of joining OAAAS.

Once your hours have been calculated you will receive a Summary Report that highlights the specific hours that are still required to move to the next certification level. For complete instructions and necessary documents visit the [OAAAS Program Guide](#). See below and side bar for examples of the key documents that will assist you in reporting your work experience hours. See Program Guide for further details.

In total, a member is required to obtain a minimum of 7200 hours of experience in specified categories while working with or for an architect. Check the Program Guide for a description of the acceptable architectural employment situations.

**New Associate OAAAS members** can submit an unlimited amount of retroactive work experience within the first three months of joining OAAAS. This opportunity allows new members to complete their Associate OAAAS work experience hours faster and reach the Technologist OAAAS level of certification. At present, there is no limit on the number of experience hours you can claim retroactively, providing the submission is within the three month deadline. See the following documents found in the OAAAS Program Guide for further instructions.

Instructions for Completing Experience Record Book - ERB  
 (Program Guide, Page 12)

Category Descriptions + Required Activities for  
 Work Experience Hours  
 (Program Guide, Appendix B)

## OAA CLASSIFIEDS

If you are looking for a new employment opportunity, we highly recommend that you visit the Classified Section of the OAA website where new employment postings are continually posted for architects and ARCHITECTURAL TECHNOLOGISTS.

See [EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES](#) for ongoing new employment postings.



The Ontario Association for Applied Architectural Sciences is an association for technologists working in the architectural field. Through OAAAS, a qualified professional can become a Licensed Technologist OAA and member of the Ontario Association of Architects.

### Our Mission

The OAAAS establishes the education, experience and examination requirements for three categories of building designers: Associate OAAAS, Technologist OAAAS and Licensed Technologist OAA. The OAA Council has established the scope of practice and the terms of the limited licence.

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