



3rd Bi-Annual Project Award Winners - 2014

The GCAO Project Awards started in 2010 and was designed to recognize projects that were built in the Ottawa & Surrounding communities. The awards focus was to recognize projects that showed innovation in construction, technical ability to construct, and economic, social and environmental improvements in the quality of life of the public.

This was the third bi-annual project award presentation which occurred at the Centurion Centre. This year the GCAO had a total of 7 submissions, 5 of which were for the Category A - Projects Under \$15 million and 2 submissions under the Category A - Projects Over \$15 Million. This year the GCAO did not receive any submissions under the Category B - Industrial/Infrastructure/Civil. The following is a summary of the entries:

1. Category A - Buildings - Projects Over \$15 million
 - a. Sensplex East - Morley Hoppner
 - b. Algonquin College Student Commons - PCL

2. Category A - Buildings - Projects Under \$15 million
 - a. Jules Morin Park Construction - Waterdon Construction
 - b. Solacity Inc Offices/Warehouse Building - BBS Construction (Ontario) Ltd
 - c. McIntosh Perry Head Office Expansion - Tofcon Construction Inc.
 - d. Electrical Contractors Association of Ottawa - Graebeck Construction Ltd.
 - e. Ashbury College Creative Learning Centre - Frecon Construction Ltd

The Panel of Adjudicators who ranked the entries in accordance with a long list of criteria including project management, safety, scheduling, complexity, innovations, customer satisfaction, and contribution to the area's economic, social and environmental quality of life. The Panel members were:

1. Claudio Brun del Re, Executive Director University of Ottawa
2. Randy Romanin, Executive Director, JL Richards
3. Robert Matthews, Principal, N45 Architecture

[Don Chutter Meritorious Achievement Award](#)

The *Don Chutter Meritorious Achievement Award* was presented to the submission that best demonstrates the contribution of General Contracting to our quality of life in Ottawa. The judging panel considered the project which excels in all areas of the rated criteria and is also an Ottawa and Surrounding Region Project. The criteria for consideration was four different but related aspects of the submitting firm's role in the project:

- ✚ Project objectives, solutions and achievements;
- ✚ Technical excellence and innovation;
- ✚ Level of difficulty; and
- ✚ Contribution to economic, social or environmental quality of life

The winner for the 2014 Don Chutter Meritorious Achievement Award was the Construction of the Jules Morin Park that was completed by Waterdon Construction.

The following is the executive summary of the project:

As the submitter of this Award “Waterdon Construction Limited has successfully brought community life back to a very important space in lower town”¹. The addition of the new Field house has added a community space for meetings, training sessions, summer camps, and support to the surrounding park features.

The communities support for this area is very evident with the Donation of the Outdoor Hockey Rink by the Ottawa Senators foundation. This feature as well as the newly constructed wading pool, mini soccer field, picnic area & play park complete with 9 separate pieces of play equipment has turned this once underutilized space into a hot spot for all of the communities children and families to use this park as a meeting place.

Waterdon Construction Limited worked closely with the City of Ottawa and the project consultants to ensure that this phased handover project was delivered in a safe and acceptable manner. Waterdon Construction ensured that the safety of the community was just as important as their own forces and sub-contractors.

1. Quote taken from letter of reference from Sandra Pilgram dated January 6, 2015.

The following is the award that was presented to Waterdon Construction:



The following is the presentation board that Waterdon Construction submitted for the Jules Morin Park:

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Quote Taken From City Of Ottawa Website*

Jules Morin Park Redevelopment

About the Project:
 Jules Morin Park is located at 400 Clarence Street in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
 The redevelopment of Jules Morin Park consisted of regrading of the entire site, mini soccer field, picnic area, puddle rink, play structures, 3,000 SF field house, wading pool, landscaping, and a hockey rink that was donated by the Ottawa Senators Foundation.

Owner: City Of Ottawa
General Contractor: Waterdon Construction Limited
Prime Consultant: Douglas Associates Landscape Architects
Architect: GRC Architects Inc.
Mechanical / Electrical consultant: R.J. McKee Engineering Ltd.
Structural: CUNLIFFE & ASSOCIATES

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Awards of Excellence - Category A - Buildings- Projects over \$15 million in value

This year's winner of the Category A - Buildings - Projects over \$15 million in value category is Sensplex East Project that was completed by Morley Hoppner Limited.

The following is the executive summary of the project:

The Sensplex East is a new Public Private Partnership developed by Morley Hoppner Ltd and the Ottawa Senators for the Ottawa Community Ice Partners. (Owned by the Ottawa Senators, Morley Hoppner and the Ottawa Senators Alumni). The facility is comprised of three new NHL sized ice pads and a retrofit to the existing Potvin Arena to create a new comprehensive 4 pad arena facility. It is a LEED Certified building which is also the new home for Hockey Eastern Ontario, Pro Physio and Ottawa Sport Performance Centre.

The following is the award that was presented to Morley Hoppner:



The following is the project board that was submitted by Morley Hoppner:

The project board displays architectural plans and visualizations for the Sensplex East arena. At the top, the 'GROUND FLOOR PLAN' and '2ND FLOOR PLAN' are shown, detailing rink layouts (RINK 1-4), restrooms, circulation, and other facilities. Below the plans are 'MAIN ENTRY PERSPECTIVE' and 'MAIN ENTRY PHOTOGRAPH' images, along with 'WEST ELEVATION', 'EAST ELEVATION', 'NORTH ELEVATION', and 'SOUTH ELEVATION' views. A central section titled 'GRAND OPENING PHOTOS' shows interior event scenes. The right side of the board features logos for Morley Hoppner, Ottawa, Ottawa Community Ice Partners, Capital Sports, and NAS Architecture Inc., along with project details for Sensplex East and the General Contractors Association of Ottawa.

[Awards of Excellence - Category A - Buildings - Projects under \\$15 million in value](#)

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