How to add a business to the Directory

The companies and individuals named on the *Directory of Professionals, Craftspeople and Materials for Work on Heritage Properties* have been provided by individuals who have used their services, professional organizations, planners, or heritage groups. They are recommended by two individuals for whom they have carried out work stabilizing, renovating, or adapting heritage properties.

The listing is not all inclusive. Additions will be made as people experienced in working on heritage structures and sources of appropriate materials come to our attention. We encourage professionals and craftspeople who are interested in being on the list to contact AHNB. If you have benefitted from the services provided to you by a professional who is not currently on the Directory and you think they should be added, please do not hesitate to get in contact as well.

Tools

Contractors should follow recognized heritage conservation principles, specifically <u>The</u> Standards & Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places (2010).

Follow this link and scroll to the bottom to the section titled "Practical Conservation Guidelines (PCG)" for useful information on the restoration and preservation of heritage building features from the City of Saint John: <u>City of Saint John's Practical Conservation</u> Guidelines

Questions to Ask Potential Professionals and Craftspeople:

- Does the contractor have extensive experience with heritage buildings, or does he/she specialize in new construction?
- Does the contractor carry Workmen's Compensation and general liability insurance? What are the limits? Can you be named "additionally insured?"
- Can the candidate supply a list of at least three references for you to call or previous work sites you can visit to evaluate the quality of his/her work?
- Does the contractor have a license?
- How long has the contractor been in business?
- Is the candidate willing to supply credit references from suppliers, such as lumber shores, sheetrock vendors, and others so that you can be confident that he/she is financially solvent?
- Is the contractor comfortable working with architectural drawings and partnering with architects?
- Is your contractor skilled at getting your project through the permitting process?
- Will the contractor be able to start your project? How long does he expect your project to take?
- How many other projects does your contractor have in progress? How often does he/she expect to be on site at your project?
- What percentage of their work is focused on heritage buildings?

- How did they learn to work with heritage buildings?
- What are some common problems they observe with heritage buildings, and how do they approach them?
- Do they organize heritage projects differently from new builds? How so?
- How long is the warranty on this work?
- Are they involved with any heritage organizations?
- How do they continue their education on heritage buildings?

If you have questions, notice errors, or would like to suggest names and information for addition to the Directory, **please contact**:

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