# **BIOGRAPHIC INFROMATION RELATED TO RECOMMENDED CANDIDATES FOR THE TORONTO PRESERVATION BOARD**

## 1. Robert Allsopp

Robert Allsopp is a landscape architect, planner and architect with a longstanding personal and professional interest in built, natural and cultural heritage conservation, including adaptive re-use as an integral part of city-building. He has extensive professional experience in Canada, England, the United States and Spain and has undertaken a broad range of award-winning work for the public and private sectors. Robert is a Principal at du Toit Allsopp Hillier (DTAH) and holds a number of professional affiliations and memberships. In 2008 he was awarded the OALA's Pinnacle Award, recognizing a body of work that demonstrates an outstanding professional accomplishment.

### 2. Adriana Balen

Adriana Balen has 17 years of experience in the building industry and has participated in a variety of architectural conservation and restoration projects including Canadian National Historic Sites and International World Heritage Sites. Adriana has provided architectural technical development and design for new buildings, for adaptive reuse of heritage buildings and for renewal and retrofit projects. She has a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from the University of Los Andes in Bogota Columbia and holds a graduate certificate in architectural restoration and preservation. This is Adriana's second term on the Toronto Preservation Board.

3. Mary-Catherine Garden

Mary-Cate Garden has trained academically and professionally as an historic archaeologist and, more recently, completed a degree in heritage studies. Though much of her experience as an archaeologist has been gained in Ontario, Mary-Cate has international experience in the United States and the United Kingdom. She has undertaken research and consultancy projects with museums, city councils, local heritage agencies and community groups and has a broad-based knowledge of key issues within urban development and local history. She is currently employed as a cultural heritage specialist at Archaeological Services Inc.

### 4. Barbara McPhail

Barbara McPhail has over 30 years experience in the heritage conservation field as an architectural/historical researcher and heritage strategist, and possesses a broad range of expertise in conservation, project management, heritage assessment and evaluation and the preparation of heritage impact assessments. She is a founding member of the Canadian Association of Heritage Professionals (CAHP) and a member of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) Canada, APTI, Heritage Canada the National Trust and the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario (ACO) She currently sits on the Board of Directors of Heritage Toronto and serves as Vice-Chair. Her heritage consulting firm, Unterman McPhail and Associates (UMA) was awarded the Ontario Historical Society's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary President's Award in 2013.

### 5. Rosa Milito

Rosa Milito has Specialist Conservation Architect (SCA) accreditation in the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) Conservation Register and holds a Doctoral degree in Architectural and Landscape Heritage from the University of Rome. Currently working as Heritage Coordinator for The Ventin Group (+VG Architects) Ltd., Rosa has extensive experience managing conservation projects at all stages of design, including concept development, working drawings and contract administration. Prior to moving to Canada, Rosa worked as an architect in London (UK) and Dublin and served for several years as a Planner and Heritage Planner within the planning departments of Pomigliano d'Arco City Council, Naples, Italy and Terni City Council. She is an active member of a number of professional bodies including ICOMOS and RIBA and has recently joined the Toronto Society of Architects.

#### 6. Bernard Rasch

Bernard Rasch is a retired Toronto-based architect who continues to play a dynamic role in the architectural and heritage communities. He is a former president and active member of the Ontario Association of Architects and has sat on a large number of local and professional boards and committees over the course of his career. Rasch's firm, Architects Rasch Eckler Associates (AREA) Ltd., specializes in the design and renovation of residential buildings of various scales as well as commercial and institutional buildings. He was chairman of various committees of the Guild Inn throughout the 1980s and 1990s and has taken a leadership role in civic affairs by serving on various advisory councils. Bernard has been awarded the Canadian Housing Design Council Award and the Canadian Architect Design Award, among others.

### 7. Jennifer Reiger

Jennifer Reiger has over 25 years broad experience in heritage administration and project management in the cultural, museum and heritage sectors. She has been Curator and Site Co-ordinator of the Grange National Historic Site since 1998 and was Church Warden for Christ Church, Deer Park between 2005 and 2008. Prior to working at the Grange she was Programme Officer for MacKenzie House (run by the former Toronto Historical Board), Assistant Director of an interactive drama programme in museum education for the THB and a freelance museum consultant and cultural educator. Jennifer is past chair of the National Historic Sites Alliance for Ontario and is on the board of the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario. This will be her second term on the Toronto Preservation Board.