



F. EDNA GARDNER

1904 – 1991

In the years that F. Edna Gardner was a resident of Etobicoke, from 1939 until her death in 1991, her contributions in the areas of education and the environment transformed many aspects of civic life.

Gardner is credited with contributing significantly to the establishment of the Metro Parks System and played a key role in the creation of Etobicoke's lovely James Gardens. James Gardens is a former estate on the west bank of the

Humber River near Scarlett Road and Royal York Road. Its gardens, pools, and terraced pathways have created a tranquil and popular space for all who visit there.

Gardner was a dedicated member of the Waterfront Advisory Board which helped to restore Lake Ontario's waterfront along the Lakeshore through such projects as Marie Curtis Park and Humber Bay Park.

At the time of Gardner's induction into the Hall of Fame, it was noted by City of Etobicoke Council that "In light of the fact that Mrs. Gardner has dedicated a significant portion of her life to conservation in and around Etobicoke, it is felt that her efforts should not go unrecognized..."

Inducted into the Etobicoke Hall of Fame in 1986