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History on the Grand Theme is People and Place Register Today!

Cambridge, Ontario. October 13, 2011...The 'History on the Grand' one day symposium is back in Cambridge again this year and will focus on a special theme of 'People and Place'. The popular bi-annual event will take place on Saturday October 22nd at both the Historic City Hall (46 Dickson Street) and the award winning Gold LEED® Cambridge City Hall (50 Dickson Street).

"The theme 'People and Place' explores the history of immigration and migration to Southwestern Ontario, and the ethnic and cultural groups that make up our communities," says Karen Dearlove, Chair of the Cambridge Archives Board, one of the groups responsible for delivering the program.

Participants will hear about different aspects of local history, as well as take in presentations of related projects by local school children. There will also be displays and materials provided by local history and heritage groups. A special element of the program will include a walking tour of historic downtown Cambridge during the lunch break.

"It's a great way for people to learn more about the history of our communities and the contributions made by different ethnic and cultural groups to the diversity of our region," adds Dearlove.

Registration for the symposium, which includes refreshments and lunch, is just \$10.00 until Monday October 17th, and \$15 at the door. Participants may register in advance by dropping by the Clerk's office, 2nd Floor, Cambridge City Hall. For more information contact Lynn Griggs at Cambridge Archives by email at griggslynn@cambridge.ca or by telephone (519) 740-4680 ext. 4610.

'History on the Grand: People and Place' is sponsored by the City of Cambridge, organized by the City of Cambridge Archives Board and the Waterloo Historical Society, and supported by the Waterloo Region Museum and ActiveHistory.ca. It's the third time the history focused symposium has been offered to the community.

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The City of Cambridge is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. It is strategically located astride highway 401 in southwestern Ontario, part of Canada's Technology Triangle. In 2010, the population reached over 130,000 people. With a multicultural mix and a strong foundation of support services, Cambridge has a diverse economic base with leading industries in advanced manufacturing, automotive, high technology, pharmaceutical, business and financial services and hospitality/retail. The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is an employer with a progressive work environment that offers the opportunity to provide service to the community through creativity and innovation, and with opportunities for career growth and advancement.

You meet the nicest people in Cambridge. It's a place that understands all about coming together. There is so much more to Cambridge than the beautiful lands created at the convergence of two rivers or its logistically perfect location in the heart of Ontario's economic corridor. Cambridge is the coming together of people from diverse, close-knit and proud communities. The people of Cambridge 'do the right thing' by respecting history, family values, a sound work ethic, the arts, environment and advancement. A young city, Cambridge is a master of balancing the excitement and promise of the new with the historical significance and stability of the old. A place where coming together is just the start. Uniting together is what sets Cambridge apart. Undiscovered-Cambridge families and entrepreneurs get more for less, and sacrifice nothing.

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