



Canadian Naval Memorial Project

The Canadian Naval Memorial Trust, which owns, maintains and operates HMCS SACKVILLE, will carry out a *National Design Competition* as the first phase of the recently launched Canadian Naval Memorial Project to ensure the long-term preservation of this iconic World War II corvette.

Commissioned in 1941, SACKVILLE needs to be protected from the elements and placed in an enclosed salt water berth within a permanent structure on the Halifax waterfront. The CNMT has scoped out a concept plan for the project adjacent to the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic. The purpose of the National Design Competition is to develop an architecturally-striking design for the structure to properly reflect the ship's stature as Canada's Naval Memorial (as designated by the Government of Canada in 1985) and to draw international attention to the Halifax waterfront.

HMCS SACKVILLE is the last of the 123 Royal Canadian Navy corvettes that played a significant role in ensuring Allied victory in the Battle of the Atlantic. SACKVILLE is a memorial to the 100,000 men and women who served in the RCN during WWII -- and in particular the 2000 sailors lost at sea -- and honours the commitment and sacrifice of all sailors who have served and continue to serve their country.

During the summer SACKVILLE welcomes thousands of visitors at her berth in front of the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic and in the winter is berthed in HMC Dockyard. The Memorial Project will allow year round public access to SACKVILLE. Throughout the year SACKVILLE hosts numerous naval, community and corporate events and activities.

Partners, Support

The Board of Directors of the volunteer CNMT is working with the public and private sectors to identify funding, design and related requirements for the long-term Naval Memorial Project. In 2010, the CNMT, the Province of Nova Scotia and the Waterfront Development Corporation entered into an agreement to advance the project. Both government and corporate support is required to set up a professionally managed project office and conduct the National Design Competition in 2011-2012. Other stages of the project include commissioning a design and design approvals, national tender call and construction (2013-2015) with an overall estimated cost of \$80 million. Funding for construction will be sought primarily from the Federal Government. At this point the Trust is seeking funding from our partners for the Design Competition.

Concept

The salt water berth for SACKVILLE would be located within an enclosed Naval Memorial Hall dedicated to all those who have died in the service of the Canadian Navy. (Memorial Hall and SACKVILLE would occupy approximately 30,000 square feet). An adjacent Naval Heritage Centre would present the history, development and achievements of the Navy since its founding in 1910, highlighting the human experiences of those who have served and the challenges they faced. (Heritage Centre would occupy approximately 87,000 square feet).

Moving Ahead

- HMCS SACKVILLE is both a memorial and a symbol of enduring commitment to service, courage and sacrifice. The ship also symbolizes the Canadian Navy coming of age during WWII and evolving into one of the world's most professional naval forces with bases and operations on the East and West coasts supported by Naval Reserve units across the country.
- An architecturally-striking, internationally-recognized Naval Memorial open year-round will be a major waterfront attraction and a pillar of redevelopment of downtown Halifax
- An estimated million plus Canadians have a relative who served in the Navy during WWII; the Naval Memorial will provide a reverent place for descendants to visit, learn and mourn
- **HMCS SACKVILLE is Canada's Naval Memorial and deserving of support of all Canadians**

Supporting SACKVILLE

The Corporate Sponsorship Program, initiated in 2010, presents several options in three tiers of support:

- **Flagship** (\$50,000)
- **Victory** (\$20,000)
- **Corvette** (\$5,000)

Each tier offers its own special benefits. These include 5-year trusteeship (includes membership in the Mess); use of SACKVILLE for functions; recognition on the SACKVILLE website, plaque in ship and signage leading to ship; acknowledgement in "Action Stations" newsletter and other print materials.

Current Sponsors include: *Canadian Navy, Irving Shipbuilding Inc., Lockheed Martin, Cobham PLC, Pusser's West Indies, Revolve, JS Print and Design Ltd., Lunenburg Industrial Foundry and Engineering, Province of Nova Scotia.*

All monies raised will be used to support the National Design Competition and where appropriate for critical ship maintenance, upgrading educational and interpretative programs and to advance the Canadian Naval Memorial Project.