



## City of Maple Ridge News Release

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### **Maple Ridge Wins BC Heritage Award for Haney House Restoration Project**

**Maple Ridge, BC:** The City of Maple Ridge recently received a BC Heritage Award for the restoration of the iconic Haney House on 224 Street.

“Haney House is a living museum that allows us to step back a century in time and walk around the home of one of our founding families and get a sense of what life was like in the earliest days of our community,” said Mayor Mike Morden. “This restoration project went far beyond repairing the exterior structures to protect this property for future generations. It is clear that a team of people came together to lovingly restore Haney House to enhance an authentic historical treasure for Maple Ridge, BC and Canada. Their passion for this project is reflected in the finished project and award.”

Funding for the project came from the City of Maple Ridge, the Federal Government, through the BC Canada 150 Fund and Heritage BC’s Legacy Fund. Additional financial support also came from the Maple Ridge Community Heritage Commission and the Maple Ridge Historical Society.

“While people could see the work to replace the roof, windows and doors at the site, what was hidden during the restoration was the work happening inside Haney House. A bonus was the discovery of original building materials which allowed the restoration to be even more historically accurate than was anticipated in the planning phase. A great deal of time went into ensuring the wallpaper, wall surfaces and the windows and doors are period accurate. The result of this attention to detail is evident when you visit the house and are transformed to the earliest days of our community,” said Yvonne Chui, Recreation Manager Arts & Community Connections for the

City of Maple Ridge. “Heritage is part of our identity and contributes to community pride; a key component in Council’s newly adopted Culture Plan strategy.”

She added, “The partners, contractors and staff worked hard on this project. It’s gratifying to see our collective work be honoured with the BC Heritage Award.”

The Award will be presented in Nanaimo during the Heritage BC annual conference (May 2019). For further information please see [heritagebc.ca/events-activities/heritage-awards/](https://heritagebc.ca/events-activities/heritage-awards/).