

**Society for the
Study of
Architecture
in Canada**



Hard and Soft Histories

Newfoundland is “the rock.” Its geography and climate are notoriously hard, but its people—known for their hospitality, language, and song—are famously soft. Likewise, buildings, cities, and landscapes form the physical fabric of our everyday lives, but they are also backgrounds to the cultural and social practices that take place there. This year the Society for the Study of Architecture in Canada invites proposals that reflect on hard and soft histories in order to explore how the Canadian built environment participates in shaping diverse identities, societies, and praxes.

This year’s conference will be held at the base of Signal Hill, a National Historic Site overlooking the entrance to St. John’s Harbour. St. John’s is one of the oldest European settlements in North America. Since the 16th century, the city has served as the capital of England’s first overseas colony, the independent Dominion of Newfoundland, and now Canada’s tenth province. As always, our conference will feature paper presentations, tours, and a concluding banquet.

Event Locations

Johnson GEO CENTRE

175 Signal Hill Road
St. John’s, NL
A1A 1B2

Commissariat House

11 Kings Bridge Road
St. John's, NL
A1C 1S5

Please note this site is not universally accessible

The Rooms

9 Bonaventure Avenue
St. John's, NL
A1C 5P9

Mallard Cottage

8 Barrows Road
St. John's, NL
A1A 1G8

Accommodations

We have booked blocks at three hotels in town at a discounted rate for May 22–25. Please call the hotels and give them the name of our group to secure this rate **before April 1, 2018**.

Memorial University Battery Facility Graduate Student Accommodations

100 Signal Hill Road

\$100.00/night + taxes

1-709-864-8331

battery@mun.ca

<https://www.mun.ca/battery/newlivehere.php>

Quality Inn Hotel

2 Hill O' Chips

\$125/night + taxes

1-709-754-7788

cn246fd@whg.com

<http://www.stjohnsqualityhotel.com>

Paton College, Memorial University

40 Livyers Loop

\$69/night + taxes

1-709-864-7933

stay@mun.ca

<http://www.mun.ca/conferences/guests/rooms/patoncollege.php>

There will be a free shuttle to the conference each morning

Alternate options:

- St. John's offers many other **boutique hotels** and **bed-and-breakfasts** that you may wish to explore.
- Many homes also operate with **Airbnb**.

Simmins Fund

The Geoffrey and Joan Simmins Fund was developed to support students attending the Society for the Study of Architecture annual conference by offsetting a percentage of travel costs. If you are a full-time student registered in a degree-granting program and are presenting a paper at this year's conference, you are eligible for a travel reimbursement through the Geoffrey and Joan Simmins Fund.

Please contact us for the application form: ssac2018seac@gmail.com