



WANTED: UNIQUE AND FUN VENUES FOR DOORS OPEN ST. JOHN'S 2009

(ST. JOHN'S, NL, June 26th, 2009) - **Doors Open St. John's** is looking for your input as we offer the public a once-a-year chance to fully explore St. John's from the ground up!

St. John's offers a wealth of possibilities! **Doors Open St. John's** offers the public an opportunity to explore buildings and spaces- many of which are not normally open to the public. Participants tour buildings, take guided tours, view special exhibits and displays- At no cost!

We are looking for sites and buildings that celebrate the City's rich architectural and cultural history. Buildings that have seen a re-birth - adaptive reuse of an existing structure, and innovative new designs are favoured. These can include commercial and industrial buildings, museums, cemeteries, schools, factories, private homes, hotels, government buildings, historical sites and/or private galleries. Gardens and natural heritage sites are also eligible.

Doors Open St. John's is about reflecting on the past and present and making that vital link between people, buildings, stories and natural landscapes. Buildings, whether modern or old, reinforce community identity and pride. They turn "space" into "place."

If you know of a building or a site that would be a great place to include in the **Doors Open St. John's** program, go to www.doorsopendays.com and download a *Building/Site Application Form*, or call Andrew at 739-1892, ext. 28. Deadline for applications is July 24, 2009.

Doors Open St. John's is scheduled for September 12th and 13th, 2009. Over 23,000 people participated in **Doors Open St. John's** last year.

PSA

Have you ever driven by a building in St. John's and wondered what goes on inside? Do you have a great site that you'd like to show off to the people of St. John's? Here's an opportunity for you! Apply to be part of **Doors Open St. John's 2008**. Call Andrew at 739-1892 ext 7.

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