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Veterans Affairs supports *Art in Architecture* program

OTTAWA Oct. 19, 2007 – The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada is pleased with the recognition and support it has received through the Veterans Affairs' Community Engagement Partnership Fund for the College of Fellows' *Art in Architecture* bilingual educational program.

The contribution of up to \$5,000 announced by the Honourable Greg Thompson, Minister of Veterans Affairs, Oct. 18, 2007, will be used to distribute the program kits.

The *Art in Architecture* program includes an educational DVD entitled "In Search of a Soul," which describes the background and process of designing the Canadian War Museum in Ottawa. The kit also includes a learning guide.

"The funding will enable us to have the *Art in Architecture* program kit distributed to schools across Canada," said **George E. Bemis, FRAIC**, Chair, Regional Advisory Committee of Ontario North, East and Nunavut for the RAIC College of Fellows. "We are really pleased with this support enabling us to offer an unparalleled learning experience which, we expect, will elicit an emotive response as it relates to students lives and possible career aspirations."

The DVD, available in both official languages, highlights the Canadian War Museum to describe its design process from concept to completion. The cross-curricular educational kit develops a profound appreciation for subjects such as History, English, Visual Arts and Environmental Studies through the architectural process by studying the design of a world-class building that stands as a reflection of war and peace in Canada.

The RAIC College of Fellows has a mission to support and strengthen the development and enhancement of excellence in the profession of architecture. *Art in Architecture* has been developed as part of this goal by the Eastern Ontario Chapter of the College to provide a rich learning experience for Canadian students.

The Royal Architectural Institute of Canada is a voluntary national association established in 1907 as the voice for architecture and its practice in Canada. Representing almost 3,700 architects, the RAIC provides the national framework for the development and recognition of architectural excellence.

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