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## **RAIC Syllabus to celebrate at the Festival of Architecture in Fredericton**

**OTTAWA April 18, 2008** – Faculty and graduates of the RAIC Syllabus Program will celebrate Syllabus' 30 years of program delivery as they look ahead to a new chapter in the history of the Program. Celebrations, June 28 at 4 p.m., will include an alumni reunion, the conferring diplomas on the 2008 graduates, and a presentation about Syllabus Renewal at Athabasca University.

### **RAIC Syllabus Renewal – one more step closer**

In early March 2008, the RAIC Syllabus proposal was approved by the Academic Council of Athabasca University. This means that the B.Sc. (Architecture) and the Graduate Diploma in Architecture are appropriate and acceptable.

This is exciting news and indicates that the hard work of the interim Program Advisory Council is coming to fruition.

### **More approvals yet to come...**

Currently documentation is being prepared for the second step in the Athabasca University approval process which will include a request for resources and multi-year funding from the University. This approval is expected sometime in May or early June 2008. The final step will require approval from the Alberta Government.

The renewed Syllabus Program at Athabasca University will continue to uphold the legacy of its predecessor and remain an alternative path for those individuals who cannot undertake a full-time university program. One of the primary objectives of Syllabus Renewal is program quality. This includes strengthening its historic office-based work / study concept. The renewed Syllabus program will provide greater flexibility for students and be more widely available in both official languages.

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