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Guelph's Market Square opens



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THE City of Guelph's new Market Square project was officially opened on February 18.

In the 1800's, the space surrounding Guelph's original City Hall building served as Guelph's central meeting place and market area. The new Market Square is a contemporary version of the original. It is the perfect venue for hosting festivals, concerts, community events and civic celebrations.



The central feature, completed by KMA, is an outdoor skating rink/reflecting pool surrounded by stone benches. Visitors can splash or skate at night while the lights change from red, blue to green. The skating rink/reflecting pool can become an event



Photo courtesy of Wei Wong

platform, and additional lighting and sound equipment can be used for concerts or performances. The water is filtered and re-circulated. The 600 energy-efficient LED lights are integrated into 9 curved stone benches. Together they consume just 35 Watts of electricity.



Photo courtesy of Wei Wong

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Kenora's stunning new harbourfront

GRAND opening ceremonies for the City of Kenora's new harbourfront project took place in September. KMA was awarded the contract to complete this 24,000 s.f. tensile fabric structure which covers an open area and performance stage.



Canada's Blue Rodeo performing at the grand opening ceremonies.

"Having a new venue that has the capacity to hold large events and encourages a greater diversity of events will only help us further our goals in terms of tourism development and events developed in the community" said Kenora's Mayor, David Canfield. Headlining the grand opening celebrations was the iconic Canadian band Blue Rodeo.

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"WE shape our buildings, thereafter they shape us".
- WINSTON CHURCHILL



Market Square / from front page



City of Guelph's new Market Square on opening day.
Photo courtesy of Wei Wong

The square spans the entire space between City Hall and the shops and restaurants along Carden Street. For more information on this project, check out the following link:

<http://issuu.com/cityofguelph/docs/welcometomarketsquare>

Owner: City of Guelph
Architect: Janet Rosenberg + Associates

Kenora / from front page



Cover for the performance stage being lifted into place. Arch supports ready for connection.



Main support arch complete. Performance stage cover in place.



Full pavilion cover in place.

Owner: City of Kenora
Architect: Hilderman Thomas Frank Cram
Engineer: Blackwell Bowick Partnership Ltd.
Project Management: Tensile Integrity Inc.



“IT takes less time to do a thing right, than it does to explain why you did it wrong”.

- LONGFELLOW



Project underway

LAKESHORE Collegiate in Toronto is preparing for their brand new sports facility. KMA is working with owner Field Recreation Inc. and fabric structure manufacturer The Farley Group to install a 200' x 300' air-supported structure. The structure will cover an artificial turf playing field. The dome will be used for events and tournaments in soccer, lacrosse, ultimate frisbee, football, flag football, cricket and more.



Lakeshore Collegiate's air-supported structure foundation ready for concrete.

Did you know?

- The Toronto Maple Leafs used to be called the Toronto Arenas, then the St. Patricks and finally the Maple Leafs.
- More Hollywood films have been made about boxing than any other sport.
- Race car is a palindrome. What's a palindrome? Something spelled the same way forward and backwards.
- Another palindrome? Some men interpret nine memos.

KMA is celebrating...

TWENTY years in the construction business! It was way back in 1992 that Keith McEwen incorporated his new firm. Since then there have been many interesting challenges and some exciting achievements along the way. It's been a great experience and culminated last year in KMA being awarded the prestigious OGCA's Ontario Builder of the Year Award (Industrial) for the 401 Screen Structure & Town of Halton Hills monument project. Another source of pride for all of us here at KMA is the number of repeat clients we have. As we strive to head onwards and upwards, we look forward to continued relationships with our clients and associates. Thanks to all of you who have made the past 20 years possible. It's been a privilege.



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