

Adaptation and Restoration of Historic Buildings

In 2004 and 2005 while working with PWGSC Mr. Hockey delivered three projects at the Halifax Citadel; construction of a theatre in the lower level of the Cavalier Building; adaptation of six casemates to offices in the Redan; and repair of the Exterior Envelope of the Town Clock. He was responsible for pre-design and design and the preparation of construction documents, negotiation with the Federal Heritage Buildings Review Office to ensure that the significant interventions respected the heritage character of the buildings and complied with good conservation practice for all the projects as well as some project management activities and construction inspections. He also worked with consultants for fire suppression, audio and visual in the theatre, and mechanical and electrical in the Redan.

The theatre in the cavalier building was the adaptation of an interpreted space and staff offices to a theatre and an anteroom for the showing of a new film introducing people to the Halifax citadel. Coordination of design and construction with the sprinkler and audio visual consultants was a critical element of this project. The \$150,000 project included the design and installation of acoustic paneling and ceiling plus the covering of historic windows to make the theatre dark and not show evidence on the exterior.

The Redan Offices project was related to the theatre project in that it accommodated staff displaced by the project and introduced a woman's locker room and showers, which did not exist on site. The project included repair and cleaning of the historic masonry as well as damaged historic wood paneling in the areas of the windows, installation of carpet on the floors and completely new heating, ventilation and electrical systems for the space. The value of the work was about \$400,000.

The Town Clock project was undertaken to correct some poor historic detailing in the building envelope for this 1962 reconstruction and eliminate chronic water entry problems. Work included modification of the column bases and repair of the wood stave columns, cleaning, caulking and painting of the wood elements of the tower and dwelling and work to increase visibility of the numbers and hands on the clock face. The value of the work was about \$150,000.



Cavalier Theatre



Redan Offices



Town Clock

