



*Sault Ste. Marie
Municipal Heritage Committee*

Municipal Heritage Committee 2019 Heritage Award Shingwauk Residential Schools Centre

In recognition of Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig, Algoma University and the Children of Shingwauk Alumni Association who have worked collaboratively to preserve the immovable and movable heritage of the residential schools to honour survivors while promoting the reclamation of the intangible heritage of indigenous cultures.

The Shingwauk Residential Schools Centre (SRSC) is a cross-cultural research and educational project of Algoma University (through the technological and archival expertise of the Arthur A. Wishart Library) and the Children of Shingwauk Alumni Association (CSAA), which includes former students of the Residential schools, staff, descendants, family, and friends. Algoma University is located on the site (and uses some of the buildings) of the former Shingwauk and Wawanosh Indian Residential Schools in Sault Ste. Marie. Governance for the SRSC runs through a joint AU/CSAA Heritage Committee, which shares responsibility for the Centre evenly between the two partners.

The partners work together with the Survivor groups, church entities, educators, First Nations and others to research, collect, preserve, and display the history of the residential and day schools across Canada. They also develop and deliver projects of sharing, healing, learning, and individual and community cultural restoration in relation to the impact of the schools. They also work to realize Chief Shingwauk's vision of cross-cultural synthesis of traditional Anishinabek and European knowledge and learning systems.