



*Sault Ste. Marie
Municipal Heritage Committee*

Municipal Heritage Committee 2013 Heritage Award

Blue Forest Environmental Ltd.

Blue Forest Environmental Ltd. specializes in the redevelopment of distressed industrial properties. They have diligently worked towards preserving five (5) historic buildings. One of which is designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, during the process of redeveloping the St. Mary's Paper property. The Algoma Conservatory of Music has offered to purchase the Administrative Building and the Machine Shop has been utilized as a performance venue during the Fall Festival. The St. Mary's property is expected to become a key factor in the City's intention to redevelop the 'Gateway' property and adjacent commercial areas such as Gore Street.

Part of the preservation includes historic buildings that were part of Clergue industrial empire that date back as early as the early 19th century. The company's determination to participate actively in area planning and finding new uses for these buildings provides support for the City's intention to create a strong western focus to the central city. Blue Forest Environmental Ltd. seeks input and actively engages the community to formulate strategy for the sites.

In addition to the St. Mary's Paper site, Blue Forest Environmental Ltd. is currently involved with properties in Welland, Sarnia, and Sparta, Michigan.