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McMaster Highlights

Hamilton Edition

Welcome to the September 2016 edition of *McMaster Highlights: Hamilton Edition*, the monthly e-newsletter keeping you up to date on what's happening at McMaster.

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On September 12th, McMaster hosted its annual reception to thank our municipal partners for their continued support and to recognize the various collaborations between the City and the University.

The reception took place in the David Braley Health Sciences Centre downtown. At this year's event we unveiled a large stone plaque recognizing the City's generous contributions towards the David Braley Health Sciences Centre.

Thanks to the generous support of the City of Hamilton, the Family Health Practice housed at the Centre has gained 4,000 new patients. It also played an important role in looking after the initial health assessments for Syrian refugee families who came to the city last winter. The centre has expanded the offerings within the building. La Prep, a café providing fresh foods and on-site baking, opened in a beautiful space on the first floor in February. The full-service McMaster Health Campus Pharmacy opened the same month.

The Centre is becoming a hub of activity. It has hosted events including the Super Crawl's kick-off



[Science grad stars in three TIFF films](#)

party, an exhibit for the Canadian Medical Hall of Fame gala, and various events put on by the YWCA, the Hamilton Art Gallery and a local law firm.

McMaster is proud to call Hamilton home and enjoys a strong relationship with the City, partnering on numerous initiatives.

McMaster and City of Hamilton to be a host of the 2017 North American Indigenous Games



McMaster will host two competitions and more than 1,800 participants as part of the Toronto 2017 North American Indigenous Games.

The Games Host Society was on campus to announce a partnership with McMaster as well as the City of Hamilton and Tourism Hamilton that will see five sports played in the city, including soccer at Ron Joyce Stadium and wrestling at McMaster's Burridge Gym.

In addition to the sport venues, McMaster will also house more than 1,800 participants on campus with the creation of an Athletes Village.

"The Toronto 2017 North American Indigenous Games present an important opportunity for Southern Ontario to play host to high performing Indigenous athletes and to highlight their rich culture," said Patrick Deane, McMaster's President. "McMaster University looks forward to welcoming both athletes and guests for this significant competition."

The 2017 Games will be the first to be hosted in the eastern region of North America, and the first time the Games will be held east of the prairies within Canada.

The Games will provide Indigenous youth the opportunity to showcase their athletic achievements and cultural heritage, under a significant international spotlight.

The City of Hamilton and McMaster University have a tradition of excellence hosting major sporting events. Both were significant players in hosting athletes during the 2015 Toronto Pan Am and Parapan Am Games.

For more information, click [here](#).

Largest ever government investment in McMaster labs benefits students, researchers, industry and will create local jobs



The government of Canada and province of Ontario are investing \$43 million in science and engineering teaching and research labs at McMaster, the single largest government investment in laboratories and research capacity in the University's history and part of a massive \$75 million project.

This joint federal-provincial investment was announced today by Filomena Tassi, MP for Hamilton West-Ancaster-Dundas, by the Hon. Eleanor McMahon, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport and MPP for Burlington, and by McMaster President Patrick Deane.

The funding will support the repair and retrofit of existing labs in the Arthur Bourns Building, plus the construction of a new addition to that building. The investments also support the campus electricity and heat cogeneration (COGEN project), which enhances McMaster's ongoing energy conservation efforts.

Of the investment, \$37.5 million will come from the federal government and \$5.5 million from the Government of Ontario. McMaster University will provide an additional \$24.3 million and Ontario's Independent Electricity System Operator will contribute \$7.6 million for a total investment of \$75 million.

"We are very grateful to the federal and provincial governments for this exceptional strategic investment in McMaster and Hamilton. This visionary commitment will help serve our world-class researchers and our students, and advances knowledge, enriches research and ultimately improves the lives of all Canadians," says President Patrick Deane.

The funding from the Government of Canada is being allocated through the Post-Secondary Institutions Strategic Investment Fund, which will enhance and modernize research facilities on Canadian campuses and improve the environmental sustainability of these facilities.

"This infrastructure investment builds one of the pillars of Hamilton's future prosperity. Our postsecondary education sector and the applied research that it produces will drive innovation today and the economy of tomorrow. McMaster's world-class engineering and science faculty and students will now have state-of-the-art facilities in which to work and learn," says Tassi.

For more information, click [here](#).

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