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WORLD RELIGIONS AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT IN THE PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF ARCHITECTURE IN CANADA

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Why, some regular readers of the *Journal of the Society for the Study of Architecture in Canada (JSSAC)* might ask, has an issue been devoted exclusively to world religions and the built environment in Canada? Though certainly not a definitive answer, a rationale may be found in the pages of the *JSSAC* and its precursors, the *News* (1975-1980) and the *Bulletin* (1980-1997) of the Society for the Study of Architecture in Canada (SSAC). Appearing in winter 1975, the first issue of the first volume of the *News* of the SSAC, founded the previous year, includes the program for the Society's "First Annual Meeting." Held in Edmonton June 2-8, 1975, the meeting's theme, "Ethnic Architecture in the Prairies," echoes in a wholly appropriate way the contemporaneous strengthening of political and legislative commitment to a multiculturalist agenda at both the federal and provincial levels of government in Canada.² In that respect, several papers at the SSAC meeting address issues arising at the intersection of the architectural, the ethnic, and the religious fields.

Perhaps not surprisingly, however, talk of "religion" at the Edmonton gathering seems only to have meant talk of Christianity. After all, in the early 1970s, the vast majority of Canadians self-identifying with a religious tradition named one form or another of Christianity.³ Papers presented at Edmonton's SSAC conference thus include "Ukrainian Greek Orthodox and Ukrainian Greek Catholic Churches," "Design Parameters in Ukrainian Church Architecture on the Prairies," "Doukhorbor Ethnic Architecture," "Architecture and Settlement Patterns of Hutterites and Mennonites," and "The Great Church at Stanley Mission."⁴ The architectural presence of other communities of faith upon Canada's Prairie landscapes fails to feature. None, for example, speaks about the Carpenter Gothic style of Beth Israel Synagogue (1906), built by settlers of the Edenbridge Hebrew Colony, near Melfort, Saskatchewan, or the way Edmonton's Al-Rashid Mosque (1938), funded mainly by Lebanese and Syrian Muslims, mimics the vernacular architecture of churches on the Prairies, let alone the adaptation of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Raymond, Alberta, for use as a Japanese Jōdo Shinshū Buddhist temple (1929). This pattern persists for the life of the *News*. Reports appear on numerous presentations at SSAC annual meetings discussing the look, layout, location, and architectural languages of Christian churches across urban,

suburban, exurban, and rural Canada, but there is no record of talks exploring aspects of the built environment associated with other religious traditions.

In 1980, the *News* evolved into the *Bulletin* of the SSAC. As well as information about Society members and various kinds of announcements, this fresh format regularly includes short scholarly essays, many of which originate as presentations at annual conferences. Papers given at the SSAC's annual meetings between 1980 and 1985 range widely across matters involving the religious and the built environment, where the former continues to signify Christianity exclusively. Topics include modernist churches in Québec (St. John's 1983); Anglican architecture in Newfoundland (Guelph 1984); the Québec churches of Victor Bourgeau [1809-1888] (Guelph 1984); the Ontario churches of English immigrant architects Arthur W. Holmes [1863-1944] and John Turner [1807-1887] (Guelph 1984); and churches in Québec's Eastern Townships (Lennoxville 1985). Archived copies of the *Bulletin* do not provide details for SSAC conferences in Winnipeg (1986), Toronto (1987), Montréal (1989), Kingston (1993), Québec (1994), and Calgary (1997), but the SSAC's sixteenth meeting in Edmonton (1990) offers a panel exploring Christian mission architecture on the Prairies.⁵

Similarly, while about twenty of two hundred and fifty or so items published in the *Bulletin* over seventeen years focus on architecture and the religious, the vast majority of these contributions have to do with Christianity. Some essays discuss the *oeuvres* of particular figures, like Manitoba's missionary priest Philip Ruh [1883-1962] (Romaniuk 1986); Alberta artist Peter Lipinski [1888-1975] (Bilash 1988); New Brunswick's Shepherd Johnson Frost [1788-1853] (Douglas 1990); Québec modernist Pierre Dionne [1925-2015] (Rose 1990); and Toronto's William Hay [1818-1888], Edmund Burke [1851-1919], and Henry Langley [1836-1907].⁶ Other studies focus on specific buildings, regions, styles, or denominations. Topics include the Abbey of Our Lady of the Prairies, near Saint Norbert, Manitoba⁷; Toronto's Mount Pleasant Cemetery⁸; Montréal's churches of St. Patrick⁹ and St. Andrew and St. Paul¹⁰; churches in Québec's Eastern Townships and Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean region¹¹; Ukrainian-Canadian churches in Alberta¹²; Guelph's Church of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception¹³; St. Charles Church, Dunvegan, Alberta¹⁴; the Hay River missions in the Northwest Territories¹⁵; Hamilton's St. Paul's Presbyterian Church¹⁶; Roman Catholic schools in Québec¹⁷; Anglican architecture in colonial Canada¹⁸; British architectural influence upon the churches of Old Québec¹⁹; and the construction contract for the Basilica of Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré.²⁰ There is only one exception to this preoccupation with the Christian: a study of Ottawa's first synagogues.²¹

In 1998, the *Bulletin* metamorphosed into the *Journal of the Society for the Study of Architecture in Canada*. Focusing more intently on scholarly articles, the new journal does not publish accounts of the Society's annual meetings, though once again, a number of these articles begin as papers delivered at SSAC conferences.²² The percentage of contributions on the religious and the built environment rises quite dramatically in the *JSSAC*; of two hundred and eighty-four items published between 1998 and 2020, sixty-six discuss places with a religious character or connection. But still the architecture of various kinds of Christianity commands almost total attention. Too many to describe in detail, essays discuss Christian sites in relation to individual architects, architectural styles, heritage issues, denominational inclinations, and regional trends. Not unexpectedly, perhaps, topics set in the more heavily populated provinces of Québec and Ontario preponderate.

Wholly or partly involving Christianity, twenty-seven essays in the *JSSAC* explore Québec subjects: the Mother House of the Grey Nuns (1871), Montréal²³; the modernist Church of Saint-Marc-l'Évangéliste (1956), Bagotville, by Paul-Marie Côté [1921-1969]²⁴; the "Cyclorama of Jerusalem" (1895) at Sainte-Anne-de-Beaupré²⁵; Montréal's Mont-Royal and Notre-Dame-des-Neiges cemeteries²⁶; the Church of Saint-Joachim de Chateauguay (1797)²⁷; the province's early Roman Catholic infirmaries²⁸; Montréal's Sulpician heritage²⁹; the churches of Rosemont-La Petite-Patrie, Montréal³⁰; Saint Joseph's Oratory of Mount Royal (1904)³¹; Roman Catholic church design, 1965-2005³²; Ukrainian churches in the province³³; conservation and Roman Catholic heritage, notably Carmel de Montréal (1896)³⁴; light and the modernist design of Montréal's Church of Saint-Rémi (1961)³⁵; the architecture of Hilaire Bernard de La Rivière [1640-1729]³⁶; the architectural sketches of Jesuit priest Félix Martin [1804-1886]³⁷; preservation of Christ Memorial Lutheran Church (1965), Montréal³⁸; Patrick C. Keely [1816-1896] and the Church of the Gesù (1865), Montréal³⁹; Charles Baillairgé [1826-1906] and Gothic Revival in Beauport⁴⁰; and the heritage status of Saint-Jacques Cathedral (1825) and the Université du Québec à Montréal.⁴¹

Moving west, we find twenty essays wholly or in part involving Christianity that examine Ontario subjects: American architect William Russell Souter [1894-1971] and Hamilton's Roman Catholic Cathedral of Christ the King (1933)⁴²; the Presbyterian churches of Thomas J. Rutley [1847-1910]⁴³; Joseph J. Connolly's ecclesiastical buildings in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Kingston⁴⁴; Toronto's St. Anne's Anglican Church (1925)⁴⁵; St. Thomas Anglican Church (1877), St. Catharines⁴⁶; Gothic

Revival and St. Peter's, Barton (1852), and St. Paul's (1851), Glanford⁴⁷; Gothic Revival, St. James's Anglican Church (1839) and Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church (1857), Paris⁴⁸; Gothic Revival and St. Mark's Anglican Church (1845), Barriefield⁴⁹; Gothic Revival in the Roman Catholic churches of Henry Langley [1836-1907]⁵⁰; the Queen Street Methodist churches (1864, 1886), Kingston⁵¹; Gothic Revival and St. John's Anglican Church (1851), Portsmouth⁵²; MPP Edward John Barker Pense [1848-1910] and the churches of St. James, Kingston, and St. Mark, Barriefield⁵³; Gothic Revival, Gordon W. Lloyd (1832-1905), Trinity Anglican Church (1877), St. Thomas, and New St. Paul's Anglican Church (1879), Woodstock⁵⁴; the James Bay Mission (1850-1890)⁵⁵; the churches of John G. Howard (1803-1890)⁵⁶; heritage churches in the Niagara Region⁵⁷; St. George's Anglican Church (1827), Kingston⁵⁸; and ultramontane architecture and Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Church (1886), Toronto.⁵⁹

Although the *JSSAC* seems to have published no research on Christianity and the built environment in Manitoba or the Northwest Territories, a variety of essays reflect the range of interest in Christian sites beyond Québec and Ontario: in Newfoundland, the Anglican Cathedral of St. John the Baptist (1905), St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church (1881), the rural churches of William Grey [1819-1872], and Elliston Salvation Army Citadel (1902)⁶⁰; in Nova Scotia, the churches of Stephen C. Earle [1839-1913] and Arthur Regnault [1839-1932]⁶¹; in New Brunswick, Maugerville's Christ Church (1856), and Fredericton's Christ Church Cathedral and St. Anne's Chapel of Ease⁶²; in Prince Edward Island, Gothic Revival churches and Desable's Free Church of Scotland (1855)⁶³; in Saskatchewan, Gothic Revival churches and Holy Trinity Anglican Church at Stanley Mission (1856-1860), and the Kaposvar Roman Catholic Church (1907) and Bekevar Presbyterian Church (1912)⁶⁴; in Alberta, the Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (1923), Cardston, and various Mormon cemeteries⁶⁵; in British Columbia, "amateur" church architecture, 1875-1900⁶⁶; and in the Yukon, St. Paul's Anglican Church, Dawson.⁶⁷

At the same time, not every essay in the *JSSAC* intertwining the architectural and the Christian is susceptible to straightforward geographical or even religious classification. When it comes to geography, a few studies straddle provincial borders. Such is the case with essays on Joseph J. Connolly [1840-1904], Arthur W. Holmes [1863-1944] and "Roman Renaissance" churches in Ontario and Québec⁶⁸; open timber roofs in nineteenth-century churches in Alberta and British Columbia⁶⁹; and the churches of Breton architect Arthur Regnault [1839-1932] in Nova Scotia and Québec.⁷⁰ In another vein, some contributions directly address

issues of heritage and the way in which ecclesiastical buildings have been adapted for other than Christian liturgical purposes.⁷¹ On occasion, *JSSAC* readers have been treated to singular associations between the religious and the built environment, like a re-evaluation of Canada's professional ice-hockey arenas as "secular shrines," or a treatise on watermills by the Jesuit Abbé Thomas-Laurent Bédard [1747-1795], or a study arguing for the sacred status of Canada's memorials to the dead of World War I.⁷² More to present purposes, though, essays in the *JSSAC* devoted explicitly to research focused on architects or architecture in Canada, and world religions other than Christianity still remain elusive. Appearing almost two decades apart, Sharon Graham's account of Toronto's synagogue architecture, 1897-1937, and Saadman Ahmed's essay on mosques and Islamic identity in Canada constitute notably rare exceptions.⁷³

It is especially surprising that issues of the *JSSAC* from the 1990s and 2000s lack studies of architects and architecture associated with religious traditions other than the Christian. Notably, in a parliamentary research paper on Canada's immigration program, Penny Becklumb maintains that the country's attempt to balance the imperatives of family reunification, humanitarian exigency, and economic development "has made Canadians generally more accepting of immigrants and refugees, and of the multicultural society that results."⁷⁴ While many Eastern European Jews came to Canada between the 1880s and the 1920s, for instance, migration from Nazi Europe after World War II, and more recently from Israel and the Soviet Union, significantly increased their numbers.⁷⁵ Likewise, in the 1970s and 1980s, historic changes in Canada's immigration policies facilitated the rapid growth of Middle Eastern, South Asian, East Asian, and Southeast Asian communities.⁷⁶ Locating predominantly, though not exclusively, in the larger metropolitan centres of Toronto, Montréal, and Vancouver and their surrounding suburbs and exurban regions, the majority of these newcomers practice one form or another of Muslim, Hindu, Sikh, or Buddhist religion.⁷⁷ As Amir Hussein and Jamie S. Scott have written, most of Canada's Muslims trace their roots to South Asia and the Middle East, their numbers supplemented by "immigrants from Africa, China, Europe, Southeast Asia, Australasia, and the South Pacific."⁷⁸ Hindus have come to Canada either directly from India or from the United Kingdom and elsewhere in the South Asian diaspora, including, in Paul Younger's words, "Guyana, Trinidad, Mauritius, Fiji, South Africa and East Africa."⁷⁹ Somewhat mirroring Hindu migration, Sikhs have moved to Canada primarily from the Punjab region of India and Pakistan, but also from East Africa, South Africa, Southeast Asia, and the United Kingdom.⁸⁰ Fourthly, as Jamie S. Scott and Henry C.H. Shiu have observed,

the majority of Buddhists in Canada have roots in China and Japan, though more recent arrivals may hail from Sri Lanka, Korea, Tibet, and the Southeast Asian countries of Cambodia, Laos, Thailand, and Vietnam.⁸¹ In addition, to varying degrees, converts have further increased the number of adherents to these religious traditions.

Typically, devotees to the varieties of Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh, and Buddhist traditions tended at first to meet for worship in small groups in family homes. But strengthening economic, social, and political security enabled growing congregations to acquire and adapt residential, commercial, industrial, and even Christian ecclesiastical buildings to their respective religious needs, and then to raise funds in Canada and through international networks for the purchase of land and the design and construction of purpose-built places of worship. As Ira Robinson writes, for instance, Jewish communities now host “a plethora of synagogues, charities, schools, and other organizations.”⁸² Likewise, Muslim mosques, Hindu and Buddhist temples, and Sikh *Gurdwaras* are today scarcely less likely sights than Jewish synagogues along Canada’s urban, suburban, and exurban streetscapes. Their architecture ranges widely, as do the styles of Jewish synagogues, from the imitative reworking of vernacular and historical forms favoured in a country of origin to innovative interpretations of the modernist and postmodernist designs we see dispersed among the residential, commercial, industrial, and institutional zones of North American cities, suburbs, and surrounding regions. Nor need scholarly interest be limited to the look, layout, location, and architectural languages of places of worship; other built forms invested with religious significance include cemeteries, schools, museums, memorials, pilgrimage, and festival sites, and even particular features of residential and commercial properties. The annual meetings of the SSAC this century have occasionally included presentations on these diverse and increasingly numerous phenomena, notably the Taoist Fung Loy Kok Three Religions Temple (1984), Orangeville, Ontario (Yellowknife 2008); various synagogues in the Maritime provinces (Fredericton 2014); a century of mosques in Canada (Niagara-on-the-Lake 2017); the effects of bigotry upon the design of synagogues and mosques (St. John’s 2018); the architectural history of the Sikh *Gurdwara* in Canada (St. John’s 2018); and the role of Canadian architects in the design of Bahá’í houses of worship (Halifax 2019). Indeed, the SSAC’s conference in St. John’s, Newfoundland (2018), featured panels explicitly dedicated to built forms associated with religious traditions other than the Christian. Still, studies of synagogues, mosques, temples, and *Gurdwaras* and kindred subjects and structures remain all but completely absent from the pages of the *JSSAC* in the first decades of the present century.

That said, finally, research on architects, architecture, and world religions in Canada that was first shared at SSAC conferences has started to appear in print. For example, a *festschrift* honouring SSAC stalwart Malcolm Thurlby contains an expanded version of a paper on Sharif Senbel’s British Columbia mosques which I personally delivered at the SSAC gathering in Niagara-on-the-Lake in 2017.⁸³ More to present purposes, three of the essays in this special issue of the *JSSAC* began life, at least in part, as presentations at SSAC meetings: “Vernacular, Modernist, Historic: Sikh *Gurdwara* Architecture on Canada’s West Coast,” by Prabhjit Brar, Joginder Dhanjal, and Jamie S. Scott, locates and discusses the architecture of Sikh *Gurdwaras* in Canada within the broader contexts of Sikh religious tradition and Sikh migration to Canada; Henry C.H. Shiu and Jamie S. Scott’s “Building Buddhism in Canada: From the Ishikawa Hotel to the Four Great Sacred Buddhist Mountains Project” focuses upon the Buddhist Association of Canada’s Wutai Chan Buddhist Garden near Bethany, Ontario, in particular the main Dharma Hall, which replicates the Great East Hall of the Foguang Temple (857 CE), near Doucun, in Shanxi Province, People’s Republic of China; and Krupali Uplekar Krusche’s “Decoding a Hindu Temple: Toronto’s Bochasanwasi Akshar Purushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS) Shri Swaminarayan Mandir and the *Mandala* as a Principle of Design,” reflects upon the way in which the ancient figure of the *mandala* works as a governing architectural principle in the planning and construction of the eponymous Hindu house of worship in the Toronto suburb of Etobicoke.⁸⁴ At the same time, scholars who were not able to attend SSAC conferences kindly accepted invitations to prepare studies especially for this issue: Amin Alsaden’s “Aga Khan Museum: Lingering Orientalism in Global Architectural Practice” recognizes the social and cultural significance of Toronto’s landmark Islamic institution, but identifies paradoxes in its design, most notably Orientalist tropes that seem to persist unquestioned in a good deal of contemporary architecture; Barry Stiefel’s “Synagogue Architecture in Canada: A Summary History” offers an account of synagogue architecture in Canada from a social and cultural perspective, rather than a taxonomical appraisal of architectural styles; Sharon Graham’s “Congregation Etz Chayim and its Ghosts: The Memorial Rooms of a Living House of Worship” focuses upon the way in which memorial boards at a Winnipeg synagogue not only commemorate the dead, but also bear witness to larger historical transformations in the life of the city’s Jewish community; and Libbie Mills and Jamie S. Scott’s “A Drop Falls from the Sky: *Nāgara* Architectural Metre and Two Ontario Hindu Temples” exposes the influence of the ancient Sanskrit text, the *Aparājitaṭṭcchā* [*Aparājita’s Questions*], upon the design of the Hindu Temple of Ottawa-Carleton (1989) and Brampton’s Hindu Sabha Temple (2001).

As guest editor, I began by ventriloquizing a question that some regular readers of the *JSSAC* might pose: why has an issue of the journal been dedicated exclusively to world religions and the built environment in Canada? As we have seen, the history of the *SSAC's News, Bulletin*, and *JSSAC* offers a rationale. Taken together, I suggest, the seven essays comprising this special issue offer something different to *JSSAC* subscribers. That is not to say that the thinking behind this collection is entirely new. In 1999, for example, the *JSSAC* published a piece by James Vilorio titled, "The Politics of the 'We' in the Construction of Collective Identities in Histories of Architecture in Canada." In it, Vilorio notes that Jean-Claude Marsan's book *Montreal in Evolution: Historical Analysis of the Development of Montreal's Architecture and Urban Environment* might more accurately be called *Christian Montreal in Evolution* because "in the section on Victorian religious architecture . . . Marsan describes European and American stylistic influences on Montreal Christian churches, yet . . . omits Jewish religious architecture."⁸⁵ For Marsan, Vilorio concludes, "the presence of Jews in Montreal is incidental rather than seminal."⁸⁶ As the diverse array of topics discussed in this special issue indicates, matters are still more complicated today. In that respect, considered in the broader context of things religious and things architectural in Canada, these studies are far from the last word. That is to say, I hope that their appearance here prompts the sharing of further research at the intersections of world religions and the built environment in Canada in the pages of the *JSSAC*.

NOTES

- For scholars of the religious, the phrase "world religions" generally refers to the teachings, practices, and material expressions of the globalized and globalizing traditions of Jewish, Christian, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, and, more recently, Parsee, Sikh, and Bahá'í communities of faith. It should be added, though, that for all its usefulness as a denominator of religious traditions, the notion of "world religions" is by no means without controversy. Identifying its origins in the modern western academy, for example, Smith long ago lamented that "other traditions can be classified as 'religions' [only] if they conform to the criteria set by the West, which basically follows the Christian model of religion." Smith, Jonathan Z., 1978, *Map Is Not Territory: Studies in the History of Religion*, Leiden, Brill, p. 295. For critical discussions of the "world religions paradigm," see Owen, Suzanne, 2011, "The World Religions Paradigm: Time for a Change," *Arts and Humanities in Higher Education*, vol. 10, no. 3, p. 253-268; and Cotter, Christopher R. and David G. Robertson (eds.), 2016, *After World Religions: Reconstructing Religious Studies*, New York, Routledge, Taylor & Francis, p. 1-21.
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- The *Canadian Multiculturalism Act, 1988* clarified and expanded the legislative framework for these policies. In 1974, Saskatchewan "became the first province to adopt legislation regarding multiculturalism" (*id.*, p. 12). Other provinces followed Saskatchewan's lead in subsequent decades, though Québec preferred the term "interculturalism," tolerating and encouraging "diversity . . . only within a framework that establishes the unquestioned supremacy of French in the language and culture of Quebec" (*id.*, p. 15-16). Newfoundland and Labrador brought up the rear in 2008.
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