

## Expression of Interest

### Northern Ontario Electoral District Council Seat

December 10, 2025

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#### Council Vacancy

The Ontario Association of Architects (OAA) has a vacancy for the Northern Ontario electoral district Council seat. This comprises the territorial districts of Algoma, Cochrane, Kenora, Manitoulin, Nipissing, Parry Sound, Rainy River, Sudbury, Thunder Bay, and Timiskaming.

When a vacancy is created, Council is required to appoint an eligible OAA member to fill the seat for the remainder of the term (until December 2027). Accordingly, the OAA is soliciting expressions of interest for this vacancy and the Council will appoint a licence-holding member from the submissions received.

**All interested Architects in good standing with an address of record in the Northern Ontario electoral district are invited to submit the attached Expression of Interest Form (attached) and CV to the [Office of the Registrar](#). The expression of interest form and CV must be received by Wednesday, January 14, 2026.**

At its meeting on January 22, 2026, Council will consider all submissions. Applicants will be informed of the decision before the end of that month.

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#### Council

The OAA is enabled by the Government of Ontario, under Provincial statute (*Architects Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. A.26), to regulate the practice of architecture in the province, with a mandate to protect the public interest. The Association has the sole official responsibility to ensure the provisions of the [Architects Act](#) are upheld. Members of Council are the board of directors for the Association and govern on behalf of the public interest.

As a board of directors, [Council](#) comprises elected members from the profession and appointees from the public. It is guided by the [Strategic Plan](#), and makes policy decisions that influence long-term planning to ensure alignment with the OAA's regulatory mandate and mission.

Serving on Council is an excellent opportunity to participate in the privilege and responsibility of self-governance entrusted to the profession. From developing educational requirements and standards of practice to enforcing the *Architects Act*, being a Councillor means you are helping shape the architectural profession to protect the public interest. You can learn more by watching this orientation video from last year on the [OAA YouTube channel](#).

Northern Ontario Architects interested in applying should review the following webpages to better understand the responsibilities of the role:

## **Finding the Right Candidate**

To ensure good governance, it is important to have a well-rounded, inclusive Council that includes a diversity of voices, opinions, skills, and knowledge. Experience in any of the following areas can be particularly important:

- corporate leadership and strategic alignment;
- governance (including understanding the principle of self-governance, fiduciary duties, and the OAA's mandate);
- financial literacy, accounting, and investment management;
- legal issues and risk management; and
- emerging technologies that impact standards of practice.

If you have strength in any of these areas, consider submitting an expression of interest. If you know someone else who might be ideal within the Northern Ontario electoral district, please encourage them to participate.

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## **Term**

The term is for the remaining two years of a three-year term. It would begin following Council appointment on January 22, 2026, and finish on December 31, 2027. The individual could then choose to run for re-election.

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## **Legislative Provision – *Architects Act***

### ***Vacancies***

*3(10) Where one or more vacancies occur in the membership of the Council, the members remaining in office constitute the Council so long as their number is not fewer than a quorum.*

### ***Filling of vacancy***

*3(11) A vacancy on the Council caused by the death, resignation, removal or incapacity to act of an elected member of the Council shall be filled by a member of the Association,*

- 1) where a quorum of the Council remains in office, appointed by the majority of the Council, and the member so appointed shall be deemed to be an elected member of the Council; or*
- 2) where no quorum of the Council remains in office, elected in accordance with the regulations,*

*and the member so appointed or elected shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of office of the member whose office he or she is elected or appointed to fill.*





This form is to be used by individuals wishing to be considered for appointment to Council to fill a vacancy. Under the *Architects Act*, where a vacancy occurs on Council, and quorum remains, Council may appoint a qualified member to serve for the unexpired portion of the term.

To assist Council in making an appointment, please complete this Expression of Interest Form and return to the Office of the Registrar ([officeoftheregistrar@oaa.on.ca](mailto:officeoftheregistrar@oaa.on.ca)) along with your Curriculum Vitae.

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### Identification

Name in Full: \_\_\_\_\_

Given Name

Surname

Middle Name(s)

Address of Record: \_\_\_\_\_

Street

City

Province/Territory

Country

Postal Code

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### Eligibility (Statutory Requirements)

Please confirm the following as required under the regulations:

- Canadian Citizen resident in Ontario;
- address of record within the Northern electoral district; and
- member in good standing\* in the Association.

\* A member is in good standing in the Association where the member is not in default of payment of any fee prescribed by the by-laws, or any fee, levy, or costs imposed under the Act or the regulations; the member's professional conduct or competence is not the subject of proceedings before the Discipline Committee; and the member's licence is not under suspension.

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### Background and Qualifications

Years of post licensure professional practice: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief summary of education, licensure and career experience:

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Previous governance experience (board, council, committees, advisory groups, etc.):

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**Statement of Interest**

Why are you interested in serving on Council at this time?

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What do you believe are key challenges or priorities for Council over the next three years?

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What knowledge, perspective, or attributes would you bring to Council?

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## Availability and Commitment

Council members are expected to attend regular meetings, participate on committees, prepare for deliberations, and uphold fiduciary and regulatory responsibilities.

If there are any relevant limitations or considerations, please note below:

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## Consent

Please confirm the following:

I declare that all information provided in this form is complete to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that submission of this form does not guarantee appointment to Council.

I consent to the use and review of my information by OAA Council for the purpose of evaluating my candidacy for appointment.

I agree, if appointed, to comply with all applicable legislation, OAA Bylaws, OAA policies, and confidentiality requirements.

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**Applicant Signature**

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**Date**

