

**Port Hope Architectural Conservancy Annual Fall House Tour Tickets
Are Now Available**

Port Hope, Ontario, July 30th, 2007 — FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE —

After a short delay, tickets for this year's ACO Fall House Tour are now available. The self-guided tour will be held on one day only — September 29th, 2007 — and will feature nine distinctive Port Hope homes, six of which have not been shown before, plus one church. Port Hope is noted for its historic architecture and this annual tour attracts visitors from all over Ontario and the northern US. This year's tour is the 42nd annual.

Each year, the popular tour, first held in 1965, features buildings from the town's extensive stock of 19th century architecture as well as other buildings of architectural interest. This year, the list includes several of Port Hope's distinctive "Ontario Cottages"; a Georgian; a house under restoration; an 1850's "pebbledash" house; and a very interesting house built a hundred year's later in the 1950's.

Tickets, at \$25 each, are now available for purchase at Acanthus Interiors; Antiques on Queen; Furby House Books; and Lampworks/Monograms in Port Hope, as well as at Days Gone Buy in Cobourg. They may also be ordered via mail, with a downloadable order form available on the ACO Port Hope web site: www.acoporthope.ca or by calling 905-885-7929.

Tickets are limited and traditionally sell out early — those interested in taking the tour are advised to order before the end of August.

Monies collected by the Port Hope ACO Branch go towards grants and projects for the restoration of heritage designated buildings in the area and a restoration arts scholarship fund.

The ACO was founded in Toronto in 1933 by architect Eric Arthur to help preserve Ontario's architecturally significant landscapes and structures for future generations.

There are eleven branches across Ontario of which the Port Hope ACO Branch is the largest and most active.

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