



# **Canada-China Friendship Society®**

Ottawa Chapter

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**An illustrated presentation on**

## ***The Untold Story of China-Canada Trade 200 Years Ago***

**by**

**Ron Whate**

**Thursday, September 30, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.**

Press Room/Salle de presse Vidéotron

Ground floor/rez-de-chaussée, Gatineau City Hall/Maison du Citoyen

**25 Laurier Street, Gatineau (Hull sector)**

(detailed directions are attached for location of building and **free parking**)

**All are welcome.**

Ron Whate will tell the fascinating story about how the French East India Company and then the British East India Company brought Chinese goods to early Canada. He will talk about the finding of Chinese Export Porcelain in 200 year-old archaeological sites across Canada, including the important one at the Louisbourg Fortress in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, now the largest reconstructed historic site in North America. A decade ago, people at this site launched, with Chinese potters from Jingdezhen, the historic porcelain capital of China, a project to reproduce the porcelains found at Louisbourg.

Mr. Whate is an archaeologist and ceramicist with more than 18 years experience in archaeological field work in Ontario and the Maritimes. He worked for Parks Canada as the Chief of their Material Culture Research Section. During his career, he became a specialist in Chinese, and to some extent, Japanese Export Porcelains and the French East India Company. In 1998, he retired from Parks Canada and since then has done some contract work with them at the Louisbourg Fortress and in Greenwich National Park, P.E.I.

Ron is one of the founding members of the Canadian Ceramic Circle, Ottawa and, for eight years, was the membership chairman of the American Ceramic Circle in New York. He was also on the Advisory Committee of the Peabody Museum of Salem, Massachusetts. (The Peabody is America's premier China Trade Museum.) Ron is a graduate of Trent University in history and anthropology, and has lectured in Canada, the United States and Europe.

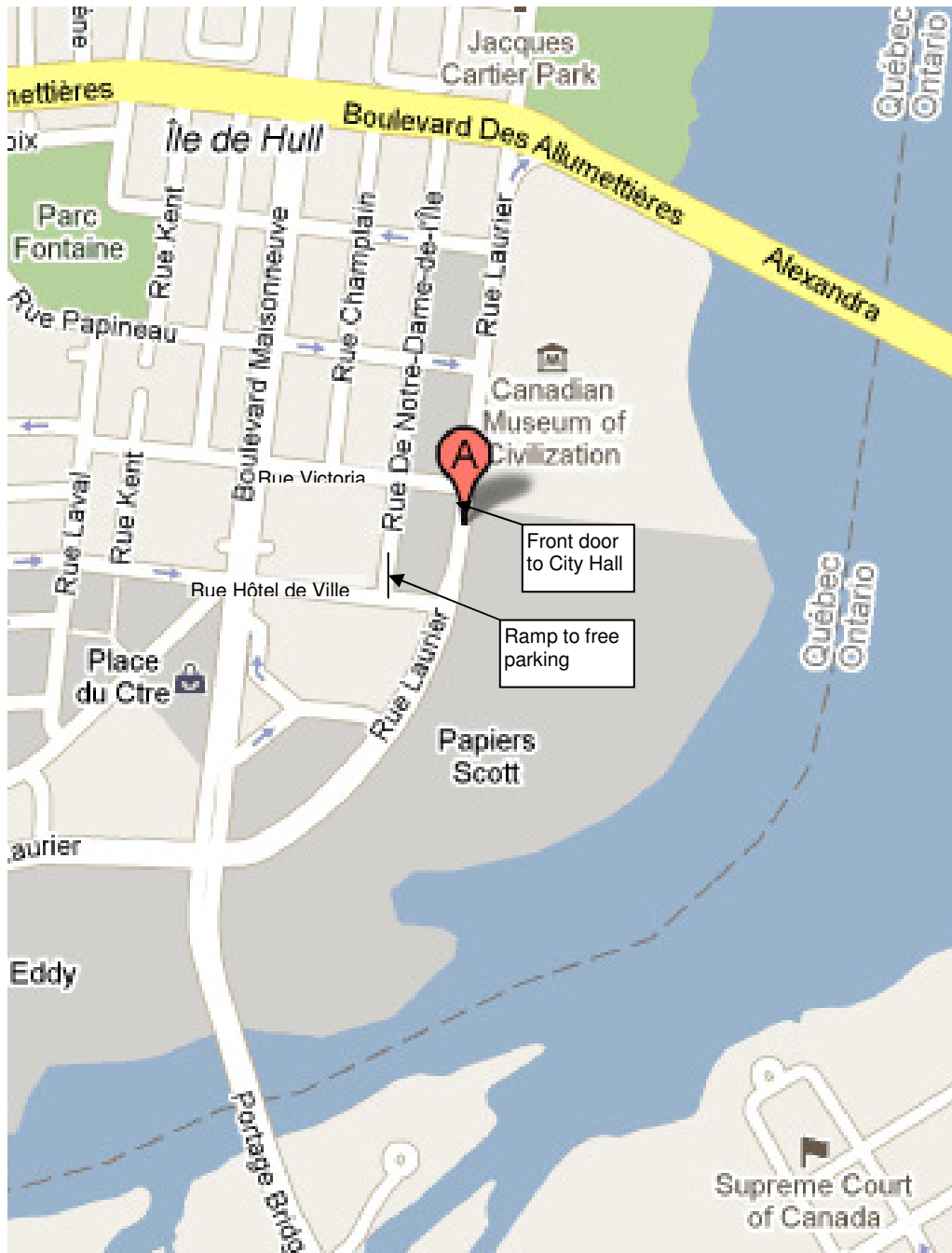
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This event is free for CCFS members. Non-members are welcome and are charged \$5. The CCFS-Ottawa Annual Membership is \$20 for individuals, \$30 for a family and \$12 for students.

As is our custom, Chinese tea and refreshments will be served after the presentation.

*For further information about the Society, please consult the CCFS-Ottawa web site at [www.fccfa.ca/Ottawa](http://www.fccfa.ca/Ottawa). Membership forms are available at this website.*

Directions to Gatineau City Hall/Maison du Citoyen : marker  on map below  
25 rue Laurier, Gatineau (Hull Sector), Quebec



**To access free evening parking underground, follow carefully:**

From the Alexandra Bridge (Interprovincial Bridge) or the Portage Bridge, take rue Laurier.

From Laurier turn onto rue Hôtel de Ville.

At the end of the first block, just before crossing rue de Notre-Dame, turn immediately right to go down the ramp for the Maison du Citoyen parking. If you don't turn soon enough, you will turn right onto Notre-Dame which goes underground also.

If you do miss the ramp for the Maison du Citoyen parking and end up going underground on rue de Notre-Dame, just continue and go around the block onto Victoria, then Laurier, then Hôtel de Ville and try again to get the correct ramp for the parking.

Take either elevator up to the ground floor (rez-de-chaussée).