

SHARE YOUR MEMORIES

The Lakeshore Grounds Interpretive Centre is currently conducting oral history interviews that focus on memories of the Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital. We invite anyone who remembers the Hospital when it was in operation or the campus in the years following the Hospital's closure to join us for an interview.

What is an oral history interview?

Oral history is a recorded interview that aims to preserve personal memories about a place, event, or time period. The recording is then transcribed and preserved for future researchers.

For more information or to book an interview, please contact us:

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or visit us in WEL104

MON	10:00 - 16:30
TUES	10:00 - 16:30
WED	10:00 - 18:30
THURS	10:00 - 16:30
FRI	10:00 - 16:30
SAT	09:00 - 14:00

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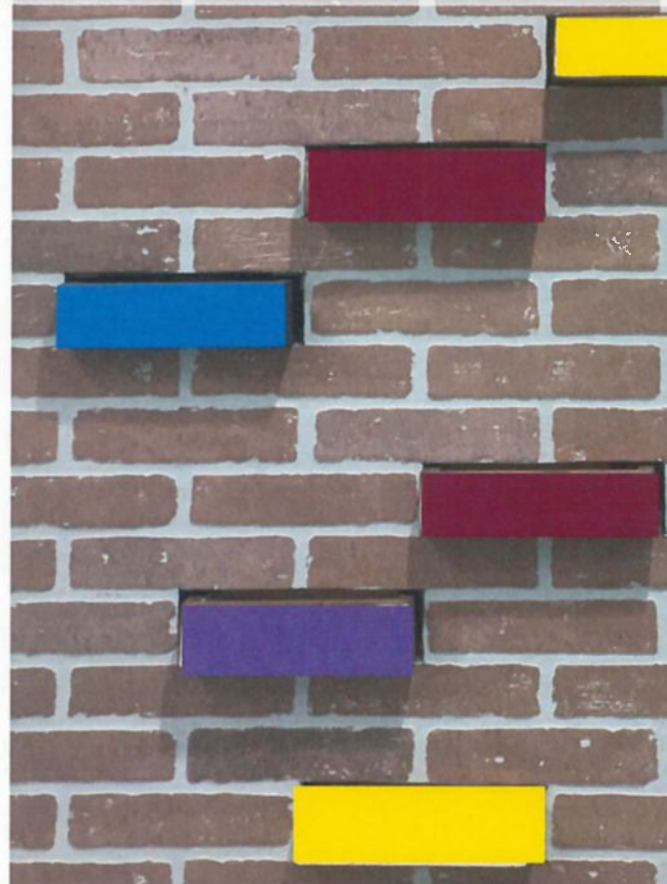
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BEHIND THE BRICKS

Recovering the Stories of the
Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital



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A Lost Archive

The Archives of Ontario holds the clinical case files of Ontario's mental health institutions. This collection includes:

- 410.6 metres of case files for Toronto
- 802.8 metres of case files for Hamilton
- 326.9 metres of case files for Brockville
- 0 metres of case files for Lakeshore**

What happened to the archival records of the Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital when it closed is unknown. Our job now is to rebuild what was lost.



Looking at the Big Picture

With the loss of its archive, the history of the Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital lies in the records of other institutions and organizations. By reading broadly we can uncover Lakeshore's unique contributions to the development of the mental health care system in Ontario.

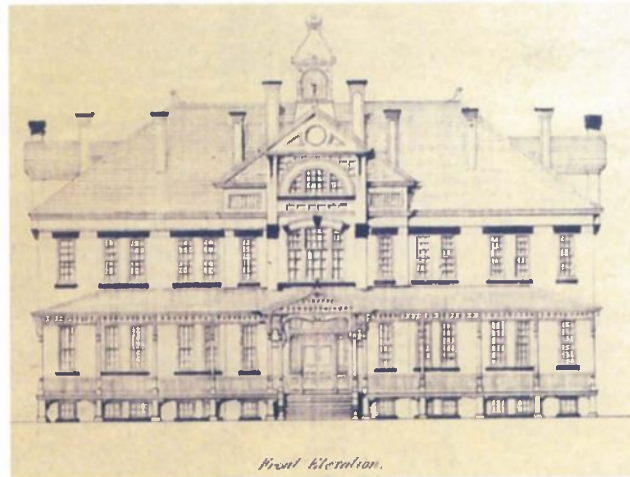


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Collecting their Stories

There are 1,511 individuals buried in the Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital Cemetery at the corner of Horner and Evans Avenue - the majority of them lie in unmarked graves. Thousands more lived, worked, or resided near the Hospital when it was in operation.

Every individual encountered the Hospital in a unique way. By collecting the available traces of their stories, we ensure that their experiences are not forgotten.

Mimico Branch Asylum opens

Renamed Ontario Hospital, Mimico

Renamed Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital

1890

1894

1920

1934

1964

1979

Becomes an independent institution

Renamed Ontario Hospital, New Toronto

Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital closes