

Invitation for Grand Opening of **Historic Site of Canada** **(Sikh Temple)**



In 1911, determined Sikh pioneers from India built this temple, or Gurdwara with lumber donated from the nearby sawmill where many of them worked. Blending traditional Sikh and western frontier designs, the temple includes a prayer hall of worship. It also became a centre for the social and political life of South Asian immigrants, helping them forge a vibrant community. Today, this oldest surviving Gurdwara in North America reminds us of the immigrant experience of Sikhs in Canada, and continues to be a sacred symbol of their spirituality. Completely renovated and beautified, this National Historic Site is being rededicated to the nation this 1st day of April, 2007.