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## **Biophilic Design of Modernist Park Pavilions**

Vincent Massey Park, Ottawa, Ontario

## Introduction

- The Massey family
  - Vincent Massey, Canada's first
    - Canadian Governor General
  - Hart Massey, son, architect

### Modernist Pavilions & Biophilia

- Hart Massey's Pavilions and Bus Shelter
  - Massey Awards
- Centennial
- New washroom facility
- Sustainability

Image above: "The Right Honourable Vincent Massey (1952-1959)". Retrieved from http://www.gg.ca/document.aspx?id=15239



#### Rules

- Please abide by reservations.
- Only fires in barbecues for cooking purposes are permitted.
- Ashes must be disposed of in the containers provided for this purpose.
- No alcoholic beverages.
- No pets.

#### Règlements

- Veuillez respecter les réservations.
- · Seuls les feux de cuisson dans un barbecue sont permis.
- Les cendres doivent être jetées dans les récipients prévus à cette fin.
- · Les boissons alcoolisées sont interdites.
- Pas d'animaux.

### Legend / Légende



Reservations / Réservations 613-733-7704 reservations@caltrio.com



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### Vincent Massey Park Picnic Areas Aires de piquenique du parc Vincent Massey



### Timeline of Vincent Massey Park "Not until late 1800s that public parks... began to be created."

- Precolonial Forests and swamp
- 1870s Exodus of Loyalists, "Vincent Massey Park and Hogs Back area which was covered in beech, hemlock and cedar was cut down"
- 1899 Wilfrid Laurier established the OIC to "transform Ottawa into a world-class capital city."
- 1950 Greber Plan

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• 1959

- 1958 Hog's Back Park and Picnic Grounds officially opened
  - "Hog's Back Picnic Grounds" named Vincent Massey Park
- 1990 introduction of paid parking
- 1992 increased tree planting

## Natural & Cultural Heritage

- The heritage of First Nation peoples
- The city beautification plan and Greber plan
- The legacy of The Right Honourable Vincent Massey
  - The award winning architecture of his son, Hart Massey



"Summer Solstice Festival at Vincent Massey Park". Retrieved from https://www.ottawacomm unitynews.com/newsstory/6716192-summersolstice-aboriginal-festivalto-forge-deeper-culturalappreciation/



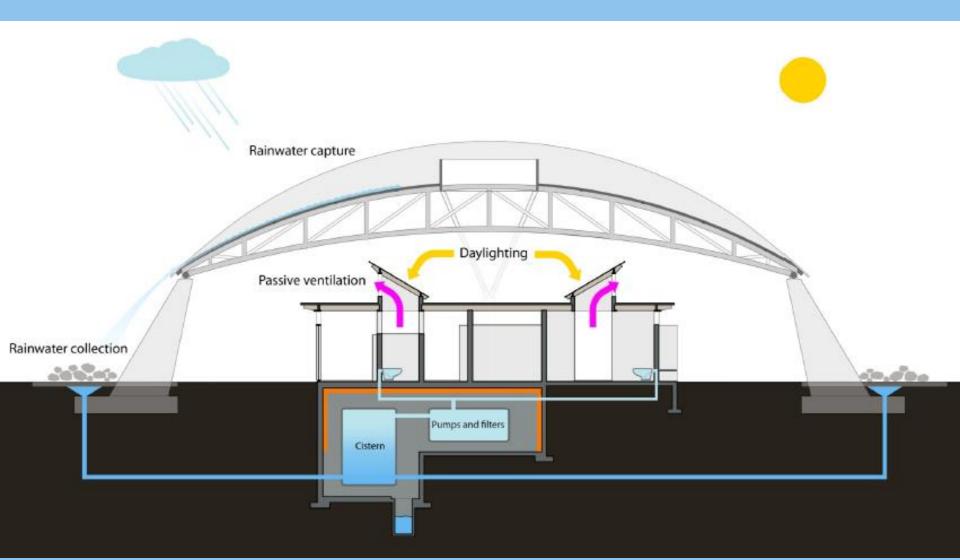
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FDC Annual Report for 1958

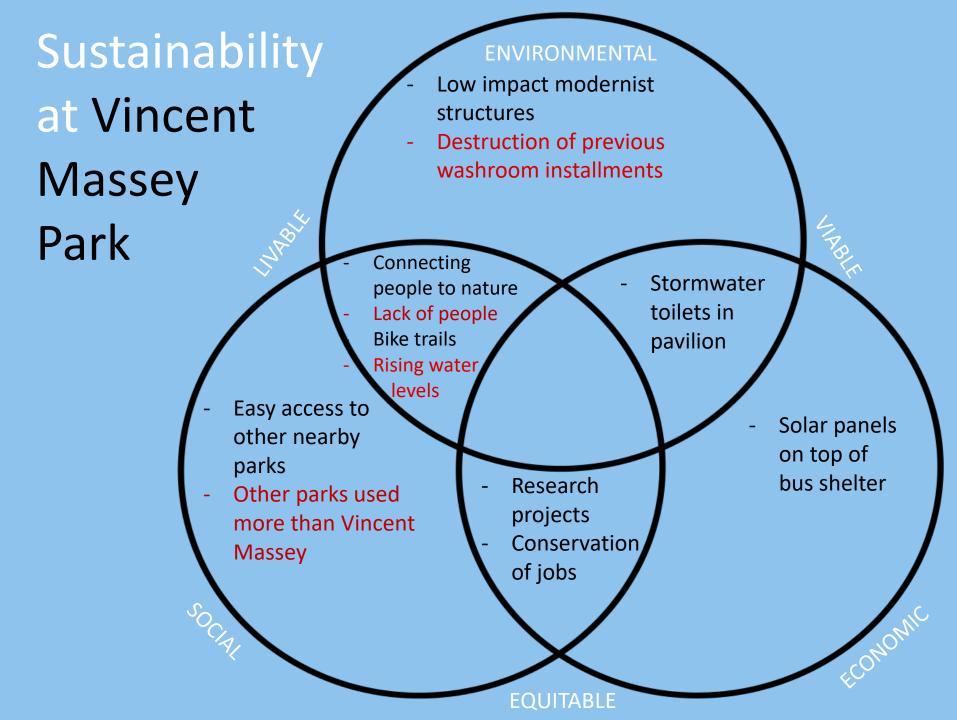
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"Park Services Pavilion, Vincent Massey Park", National Capital Commission.



### Lessons Learned & to be further explored...

• The concept of *biophilic design* and its connection to modernist architecture

• Lifecycles of parks and how they evolve over time to accommodate new social interests

• Reconciliation in the park

# References

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