

Halifax Explosion Consolidated Resource Listing

90th Anniversary of the Halifax Explosion Website Bibliography (extremely extensive, over 20 pgs. of citations)
<http://www.halifaxexplosion.org/biblio/biblio1.html>

Archives & Museum/Library Collections	
Description	Citation/Source
Canadian Library Collections – telegram, map of blast radius, letters from W.E. McClelland, Post Office Inspector to R.M. Coulter, Deputy Post Master General	http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/firstworldwar/025005-3100-e.html?PHPSESSID=arn42bvvantkllk93700o6qfm6#c
Halifax Public Library – Halifax Explosion Resource Directory	http://www.halifaxpubliclibraries.ca/research/topics/local-history-genealogy/halifax-explosion-links.html
HRM Municipal Archives Directory – correspondence, records, civic reports, and assessment records	https://www.halifax.ca/about-halifax/municipal-archives/source-guides/halifax-explosion-sources
Library and Archives Canada – Thematic Guide to Halifax Explosion	http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/le-public/005-1142.09-e.html
Maritime Museum- Halifax Explosion Directory	https://maritimemuseum.novascotia.ca/what-see-do/halifax-explosion
Massachusetts Archives – Report of the Halifax Relief Expedition December 6 to 15, 1917	Massachusetts., & Ratschesky, A. C. (1918). <i>Report of the Halifax Relief Expedition December 6 to 15, 1917</i> . Boston: Wright and Peter Printing Company, State Printers. https://archive.org/details/reportofhalifaxr00mass
NS Archives – Halifax Explosion Remembrance Book	https://novascotia.ca/archives/remembrance/
NS Archives Online Resources Directory	https://novascotia.ca/archives/explosion/explosion.asp
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SOS! Canadian Disasters media page – archival photos, media reports, handwritten account of explosion	http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/sos/002028-4301-e.html

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Books (Non-Fiction) & Academic Articles	
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Media (news articles, visual, video, documentaries)	
Description	Citation/Source
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News Article (1917)	"Halifax City is Wrecked." <i>The Toronto Daily Star</i> . Vol. 26 (December 6, 1917), p. 1
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Heritage Minute: Halifax Explosion	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rw-FbwmzPKo

Video Footage – Aftermath and Relief Efforts (1917).	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5PImhLMxTXc
Video – Halifax Explosion, Disasters of the Century (Partners in Motion INC.)	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MPrGL9Xt-ds
Video – A& E History Channel Documentary – The Halifax Explosion	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TFq8ANIIOBw
Video – Broadband Television and Shipwrek Central.com – Diving at the site of the Halifax Explosion	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xDKBGIY_wT4&index=6&list=PLB8E7E-DD94C74F4F1
Musical composition	The Halifax Explosion Song, Daniel MacIntyre https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QqFT0bWbqew
Musical composition	The Ballad of the Halifax Explosion by Eric Mestre https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BhOTB7IM88o

Website and other Online Sources	
Description	Source
CBC Media Resource – The Halifax Explosion	http://www.cbc.ca/archives/topic/the-halifax-explosion
Halifax History (citizen-made page)	http://www.halifaxhistory.ca/HalifaxExplosion.htm
Halifax Fire Museum Halifax Explosion page	http://halifaxfiremuseum.org/halifax-explosion/
Visionary Folk Photography – Halifax Explosion archive	https://thevisionaryfolkphotographer.com/tag/halifax-explosion-poem/

HRM Halifax Explosion Grant Projects
<https://www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/boards-committees-commissions/Grants171106InformationItem1.pdf>

Organization	Project	Description
Atlantic Book Awards Society	Halifax Explosion-related programming	Interpretation; The Society received a grant of \$3,000 towards incorporating a special programming element in the annual Atlantic Book Awards Shortlist Announcement event at Alderney Landing, Dartmouth.
Halifax Camerata Singers	Halifax, 1917	Interpretation; Halifax Camerata Singers were awarded a grant of \$5,000 to commission an original choral composition, <i>Halifax, 1917</i> , by musician/composer Christopher Palmer based on the poem <i>December Sixth, 1917</i> , by Duncan M. Matheson.
Halifax Theatre for Young People	No Safe Harbour	The Halifax Theatre for Young People was awarded a grant of \$10,000 towards the production of an original play, <i>No Safe Harbour</i> , an adaptation of the fictional children's book by Canadian author Julie Lawson augmented by a selection of monologues created by school students about their imagined experience of the Halifax Explosion.
Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children/Voices Black Theatre Ensemble	Extraordinary Acts	Cultural Research and Presentation; The collaborative community research and presentation project undertaken by the Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children and Voices Black Theatre Ensemble explores the Black community's experience of the Halifax Explosion. A grant of \$10,000 was awarded towards research conducted in Nova Scotia and Ontario and the development of a script for the play <i>Extraordinary Acts</i> by artist/curator David Woods.
Nova Scotia Cultural Society of the Deaf	The Halifax Explosion: The Deaf Experience	Cultural Research and Presentation; The Society was awarded a grant of \$10,000 to support sociocultural research and script-writing for the documentary film <i>The Halifax Explosion: The Deaf Experience</i> . The film tells the story of Deaf and Deafblind students attending the Halifax School for the Deaf, Gottingen Street, Halifax, at the time of the Halifax Explosion.
Archdiocese of Halifax/Yarmouth	<i>Lost-Not Forgotten:</i>	Interpretation; In 2014, the Archdiocese launched the commemorative project, <i>Lost-Not Forgotten: Victims of the Halifax Explosion in Catholic</i>

	<i>Victims of the Halifax Explosion in Catholic Cemeteries</i>	<i>Cemeteries</i> to honor the memory of persons killed in the Halifax Explosion interred in two historical burial grounds located in Halifax: Mount Olivet Cemetery and Holy Cross Cemetery.
Army Museum Halifax Citadel	<i>The City Regiments Response to the Halifax Explosion</i>	Interpretation; A grant of \$6,000 was awarded towards development and presentation of <i>The City Regiments Response to the Halifax Explosion</i> exhibition. The project recognizes the contribution of military personnel stationed in the Halifax region in search and rescue efforts and medical care following the Halifax Explosion.
Atlantic Filmmakers Cooperative	<i>The Halifax Explosion Commissioning Project</i>	Interpretation; <i>The Halifax Explosion Commissioning Project</i> supports the creation and presentation of five short animated films by local independent filmmakers that commemorate, educate or explore the diversity of communities impacted by the disaster.
Dalhousie University	The Hydrostone Project	Exhibition; digital photo-essay by local artist Claire Hodge commissioned by the gallery for the centennial. The work examines “....how the Hydrostone, born out of tragedy, is a tribute to the people who have lived here for the past century, and to encourage people to think of history not as isolated points in time, but as a continuum of lived experiences”.
Fort Sackville Foundation	Bedford community research and video production	This community-based research and presentation project examines the role of Bedford in local relief efforts and includes an exhibition at Scott Manor House and the production of a short video based on the retrospective personal account of 15-year old Evelyn Fox. A grant of \$8,000 was granted towards video production costs.
Grace United Church	Collaborative research and art installation	A grant of \$9,500 was awarded towards the development of an interpretive multi-media installation by visual artist Nick Iwaska projected onto the architectural features of the church sanctuary to create two and three-dimensional images. A “history fair” featuring local historians, researchers and non-profit organizations encourages collaboration and

		visitor interaction.
Halifax Community Planning and Design Association/PLANifax Production Co-Operative Limited	Script development & video production	Educational; The collaborative development of a short video and podcast by the Association and PLANifax explores how the Halifax Explosion shaped urban planning. A grant of \$9,000 was awarded towards reproduction of archival materials and technical production fees.
Narratives in Space and Time Society	<i>Walking the Debris Field: Public Geographies of the Halifax Explosion</i>	A grant of \$10,000 was awarded to support the development of interactive and location-specific software applications for free public use during a series of interpretive walking tours entitled <i>Walking the Debris Field: Public Geographies of the Halifax Explosion</i> .
Neptune Theatre Foundation/Eastern Front Theatre Society	Development of an original play and provincial school tour	Educational; A collaborative theatre project developed and presented by Neptune Theatre Foundation and Eastern Front Theatre was awarded a grant of \$10,000 to (i) commission an original script and (ii) subsidize access for local schools serving lower income communities.
North End Business Association	Historical materials and photographic installation	Display; A grant of \$7,750 was awarded towards reproduction of archival materials, fabrication and temporary installation of “before and after” photographs of buildings and sites pre-and post the Halifax Explosion intended to help viewers comprehend the scale of destruction and reconstruction.
Photopolis Society	Turtle Grove Project	Cultural Research and Presentation; The Society was awarded a grant of \$10,000 to fund <i>The Turtle Grove Project</i> , a youth engagement/community art project for Mi’kmaq youth with mentorship provided by Mi’kmaq visual/performance artist Ursula Johnson and photographer Jayme-Lynn Gloade.
St. Joseph’s A. McKay Home and School Association	<i>The Children of the Explosion: Remembrance,</i>	A grant of \$2,730 was awarded towards production of a ceramic mosaic to be on permanent display at the school. <i>The Children of the Explosion: Remembrance, Resilience and Pulling Together</i> is a collaborative

	<i>Resilience and Pulling Together</i>	community art project that actively engages students of all abilities in the development of visual or written content for clay tiles that will be produced by artist Andrea Puszkas.
St. Paul's Anglican Church	The Lost Memorial Project	Ceremonial Event; St. Paul's Anglican Church was awarded a grant in the amount of \$10,000 towards development and presentation of <i>The Lost Memorial Project</i> , a re-creation of the memorial service for victims of the Halifax Explosion that took place at St. Paul's on January 1st, 1918.
Second Chances Community Band Society of Nova Scotia	Original music composition	Educational; The Society was awarded a grant of \$4,000 to commission the creation of an original musical score by composer/conductor Robert Buckley to be co-performed annually by members of the community band and a local high school band to commemorate the Halifax Explosion supplemented by visual and/or written material.
Symphony Nova Scotia	Original music composition	Interpretation; In 2015, the Foundation was awarded a grant of \$10,000 to commission a commemorative work by musician/composer Derek Charke to be performed at a <i>Halifax Explosion Commemorative Concert</i> in 2017.
Zuppa Circus Theatre Society	<i>The Halifax Explosion Inquiry</i>	A grant of \$7,000 was awarded towards the development and presentation of an original play, <i>The Halifax Explosion Inquiry</i> , based on the book <i>Aftershock: The Persecution of Pilot Francis MacKey</i> by author Janet Maybee.