

UELAC ANNOUNCEMENT

The UELAC Board of Directors is pleased to announce that our Dominion Office and Archives will be relocated to the historic city of Cornwall, Ontario, in Spring 2022.

HISTORIC MOVE TO HISTORIC CITY

The historic significance of Cornwall will be familiar to many UE Loyalist descendants, as in 1784 New Johnstown (now Cornwall) was established by those looking to begin anew after the American Revolution. Many may also recognize it from the famous James Peachey sketch, *Encampment of the Loyalists at Johnstown on the St. Lawrence* (below). Through hard work and determination, these Loyalist settlers build homesteads, businesses and a future for generations to come. These same traits carry UELAC forward into this new chapter.

COLLABORATION & ACCESS

The catalyst for this move is the opportunity to expand access to our collection, outreach through projects and events, and the collaborative nature of the City of Cornwall, and particularly, the SDG* Historical Society, who operate the Cornwall Community Museum.

Exciting plans are underway for a major expansion of the Cornwall Community Museum (plan drawings: middle and bottom images), once home to UE Loyalists Jonas and Sarah Wood. The historical interpretation within this new space will see many communities come together to share the rich history of the region and Canada, among those represented will be the Kanien'kehá:ka/Mohawk People, United Empire Loyalists, French, and many more. Our new UELAC Cornwall Headquarters will be a "hub of history," where our rich past connects to a vibrant, diverse community that will provide visitors in person, or online, with a memorable experience. We look forward to welcoming you to our new home.

* Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry; www.cornwallcommunitymuseum.weebly.com

