

Margaret Norrie McCain Centre for Teaching, Learning and Research



What's inside

Main Floor

- Elizabeth & Fred Fountain Atrium
- Two flexible classrooms
- Three student seminar rooms
- RBC West Link to the Library (in the E. Margaret Fulton Communications Centre)

Second Floor

- Dr. Rosemarie Sampson Centre on Aging
- Alexa McDonough Institute for Women, Gender & Social Justice
- Centre for Social Innovation and Community Engagement in Military Affairs
- Department of Women's Studies (and Nancy's Chair)
- Maritime Data Centre for Aging Research and Policy Analysis
- Three meeting rooms

Third Floor

- McCain Foundation Co-operative Education Centre
- Communication Studies Department
- Two flexible classrooms
- Two student seminar rooms

Fourth Floor

- Department of Business Administration & Tourism
- Centre for Women in Business
- Classroom
- Three student seminar rooms
- Student Legacy Lane (pedway to Rosaria Student Centre)

Accomplishments of Women

- The McCain Centre is the first building on a Canadian university campus dedicated to the accomplishments of women.
- Almost 500 women are celebrated through the Centre and Riva Spatz Women's Wall of Honour.
- The Inspiring Women installation – a collection of tapestries, with photos and biographies displayed below them, located in the Elizabeth and Fred Fountain atrium – showcases the stories of 18 women who have made significant contributions to their communities, professions and families. The 18 inspiring women include: **Aldéa Landry**, CM, PC, QC, **Annette Verschuren**, OC, **Belle MacDonald**, **Dale Godsoe**, CM, **Daurene Lewis**, CM, **Eleanor Norrie**, **Dr. Elizabeth Parr-Johnston**, CM, **Janet MacMillan**, APR, Fellow CPRS, **Joanne McCrea**, **Senator Margaret Fawcett Norrie**, **Dr. Martha Jodrey**, OC, **The Honourable Myra A. Freeman**, CM, ONS, MSM, **Senator Nancy Ruth**, CM, **Rita Joe**, PC, CM, LLD, **Rose Schwartz**, **Ruth Goldbloom**, OC, ONS, **Dr. Susan Apostle-Clark** and **Sisters of Charity – Halifax**.
- Various rooms and spaces throughout the new building are named in honour of many influential women. These named spaces are thanks to the support of Mount donors, examples include: **Patricia Joseph Arab Classroom**, Room 106 (Power Corporation of Canada), **Marjorie Lindsay Meeting Room**, Room 201B, **Mary Simon Meeting Room**, Room 411E (TD Bank Group), **Mona Mahmudnizhad Project Room**, Room 208 Extension (Alumitech Architectural Glass & Metal Ltd).

Funding and timeline

- Project TWENTY12 – the fundraising campaign in support of the building – exceeded its fundraising goal of \$12 million (in 20 months) by almost a half a million dollars with the help of a generous gift of \$2.25 million from Margaret McCain – the largest gift in the Mount's history.
- The new McCain Centre was built on budget and on time.
- The total cost of the building was about \$20 million.

Major Donors

MARGARET MCCAIN

The Honourable Margaret Norrie McCain, for whom the building is named, has dedicated her life to the advancement of women, early childhood education, social equality and the arts.

ELIZABETH AND FRED FOUNTAIN

The Fountain's leadership gift is recognized in the atrium on the first level of the Centre as the Fred and Elizabeth Fountain Atrium -- a welcoming entry surrounded by glass that provides an inviting area for students to gather.

MOUNT STUDENTS

A pedway from the McCain Centre allows for direct access to the Rosaria Student Centre. It is named the 'Student Legacy Lane' in honour of Mount students, who have generously contributed close to \$750,000 to the building.

JIM SPATZ

Dr. Jim Spatz named the Riva Spatz Women's Wall of Honour for his mother. Featuring more than 400 named leaves (and counting!) across seven named panels, it is located outside the entrance to the McCain Centre and is the only installation of its kind in Canada. www.womenswallofhonour.ca