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## **A VISIT TO LOUGHEED HOUSE**

**July 2, 2009** - We invite you to marvel at Canadian history as you explore the magnificent Lougheed House located in the heart of Downtown Calgary on a 2.8 acre estate. Relax as you take a stroll through the breathtaking *Beaulieu Gardens* or delight in the array of gifts in *Treasures Gift Shop*. Treat yourself to a culinary delight at *The Restaurant* or be captivated by the stories and secrets of Lougheed House on a guided tour—but Lougheed House has more to offer than just tranquil gardens, magnificent architecture and fascinating history.

Home to Senator James Alexander Lougheed and his wife, Isabella Hardisty Lougheed, the house itself was built in 1891 and originally known as "Beaulieu", the French meaning "beautiful place." Lougheed House is now a national historic site operated by *Lougheed House Conservation Society*. Guests to the house become enchanted by the outstanding decor and architecture, and unearth countless historic facts.

The Lougheed gardens are a visual display of achievements. The plant material is historically accurate to the period of 1891 to 1925, and one part of the garden has been specifically designed as a therapeutic garden space to be used for Horticultural Therapy. Outstanding volunteers from the community dedicate countless hours to this garden that fosters preservation, education and cooperation for all.

Lougheed House is available for private business meetings, weddings and parties. This unforgettable venue adds a unique experience to any event.

We encourage children to learn and experience history by offering a variety of engaging and compelling school programs for grades one through six.

Each year Lougheed House hosts various annual community events such as *Ride Through Time* (Saturday, July 25, 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.). These events are specifically designed to raise awareness, gather support and bring together the local community to rejoice in their heritage at Lougheed House.

Visit our website at [www.lougheedhouse.com](http://www.lougheedhouse.com) for further information.

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