

SIMON O'BYRNE

MCP, RPP, MCIP

Keynote: Build it so they will come, work, live, and stay. Designing a 21st century downtown for 21st century demographics

Simon is an award-winning urban designer and planner and vice president of Community Development of Stantec in Canada. With his planning expertise, he's frequently quoted in North American media, and he's a regularly sought-after public speaker.

His experience ranges from intensive urban revitalization redevelopments to the creation of many master-planned communities, brownfield, and transit-oriented developments. Simon has led multi-disciplinary design teams in the planning and successful delivery of large, complex, and politically charged projects.

As a community leader, Simon volunteers and leads many different civic, economic, social justice, charity, and professional boards and committees.



NICK TROVATO

BSc, MEng, PEng, FEC, FGC(Hon)

Keynote: How to have fun and still advance your career – a case study

Nick Trovato is a graduate from the University of Alberta and has his Bachelor of Science and his Master's degree in Engineering. He is a Managing Principal and Director at Read Jones Christoffersen, a national consulting engineering firm specializing in Structural Engineering and Building Science and Restoration.

Nick started as a structural design engineer but later developed a passion for building science and restoration work. Nick is RJC's Practice director for the Building Science and Restoration teams.

Nick was the first recipient of APEGA's Early Accomplishment Award in recognition of exceptional work-related achievement, service to the profession, and enhancement of the quality of life during the early years of a professional career.

