



1914 — CENTENNIAL — 1918

# THE WORLD REMEMBERS

A REMEMBRANCE FOR THE MILLIONS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES

The millions of names of the WWI dead will be displayed around the world in schools, libraries, universities, churches, museums, other organizations and online. Each name will appear in the 100th year after death and will be programmed to appear at an exact minute circling the world through participating nations.

*The World Remembers offers a powerful reminder that the Great War was, first and foremost, a human tragedy. To see all those names is to appreciate that behind every one of them is a life and a story, one perhaps not so very different from another. We must never lose sight of the fact that history is not the story of nations or ideologies, but of people, and The World Remembers helps us with that.*

Jonathan F. Vance, Historian



On November 11th 2014, *The World Remembers* completed the first year of a five-year remembrance, education and reconciliation project. In the weeks before Remembrance Day, 292,207 names of those killed in 1914 from Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Turkey, Belgium, Ireland, Australia, the Czech Republic and the British Indian Army were displayed in more than eighty schools, universities, libraries and other organizations in Canada, the United Kingdom and in online displays.

The displays were eloquent and moving, each name standing silent for twenty-five seconds and each name timed to appear at an exact minute allowing families to find the moment when a relative's name

would appear. Every quarter-hour all names faded and were replaced by historical photos from WWI nations, before the names resumed for another fifteen minutes.

*"It's a brilliant example of activism for remembrance. For years it was, 'they're the enemy, we're the good guys. Now it's not about keeping score as much as it is about forgiveness."*

Ron Labrie - Ponoka Composite High School, Alberta.



*"Naming them here at City Hall and in schools and universities reminds us that each of the millions who lost their lives were individual human beings. For ninety-nine years they have been honourably remembered as a collective – as 'them' – but on the 100th year it is time to remember them individually, even if that takes weeks and months to do. As an ancient combat airman, I think it is appropriate that all of the WWI dead be recognized in this way. A century has passed and our world is a different place, so we can name all those killed in the 1914-1918 war with respect and without offence."*

Major General Richard Rohmer OC, CMM, DFC, KStJ, CD and a WWII combat veteran spoke at the opening ceremony at Toronto City Hall.



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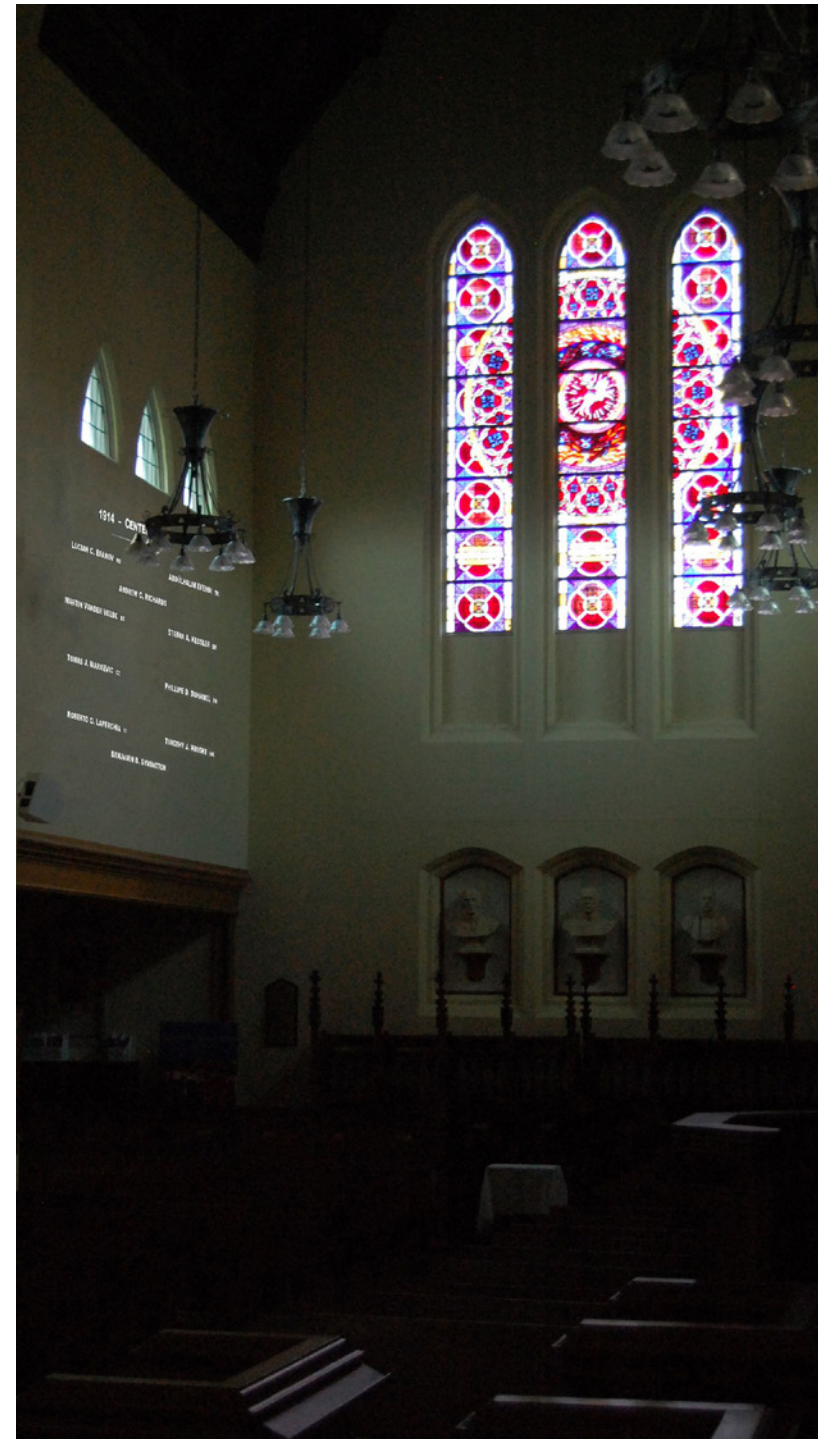
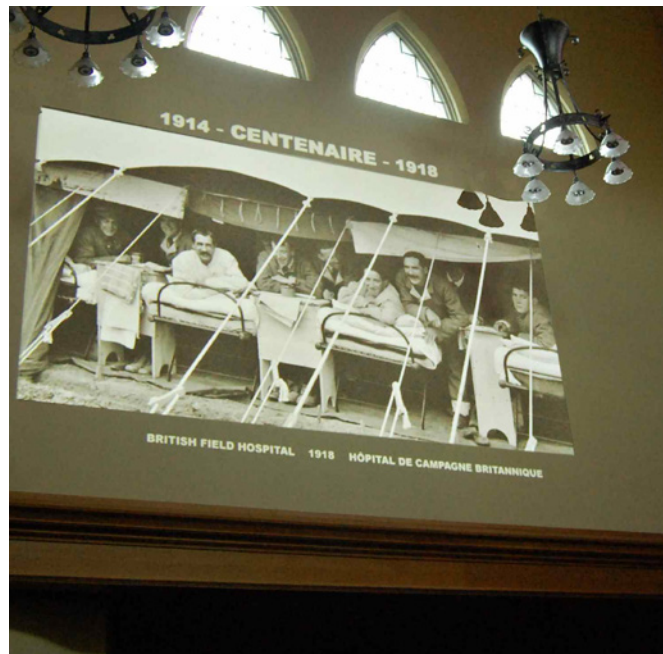
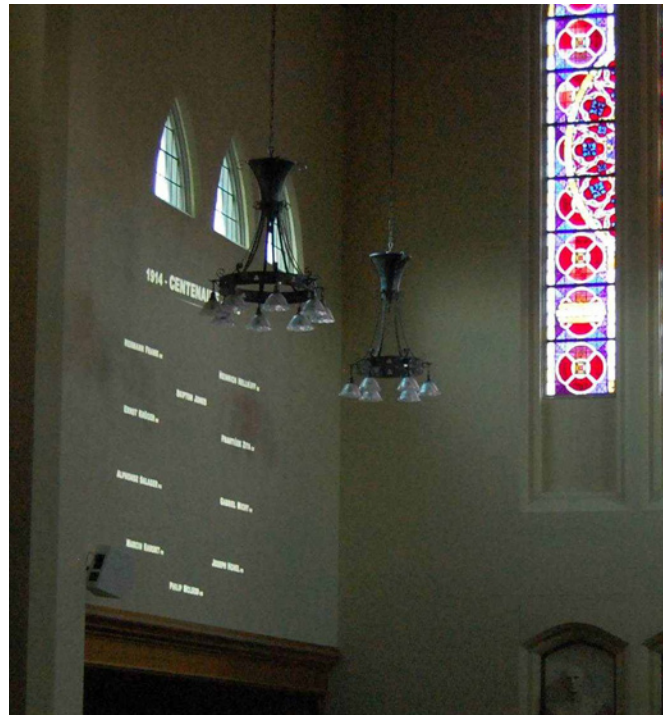
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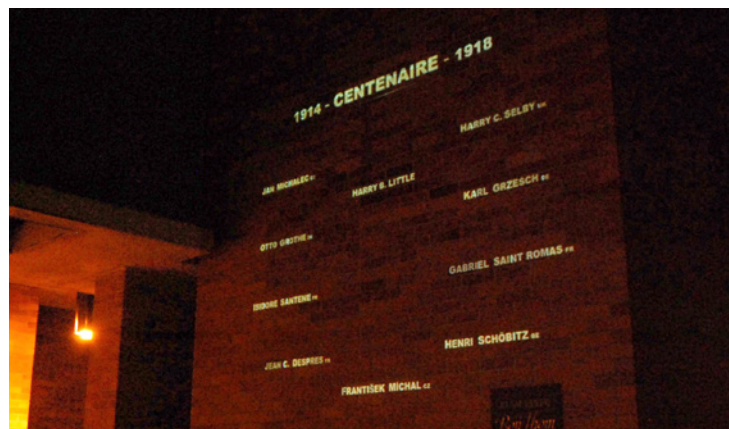
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*Deputy Mayor Toronto City Hall, October 2014*



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*The World Remembers Photo Gallery, Toronto City Hall*



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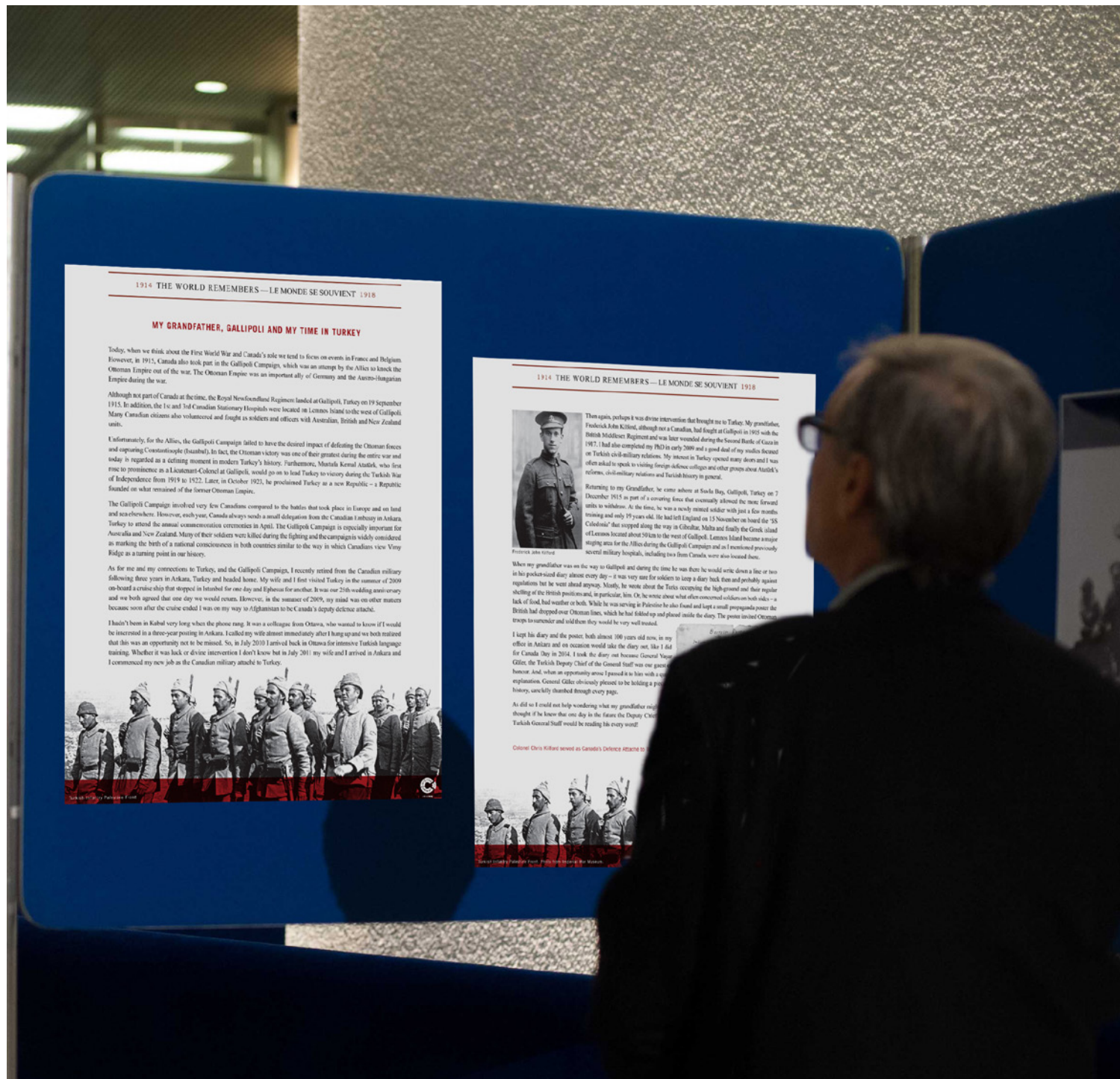
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*The World Remembers Photo Gallery, Toronto City Hall*

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*Opening Ceremony Toronto City Hall*



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*'Search The Names' exhibit, Toronto City Hall*



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IN HONOUR OF  
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THE 292,000 NAMES OF  
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Germany, France, Turkey, The Czech Republic, Ireland,  
Australia and The British Indian Army

have been displayed in participating schools,  
universities, cities, libraries and  
other organisations across Canada and in the UK

If your school or organization wishes  
to join this commemoration in 2015  
contact us


[WWW.THEWORLDREMEMBERS.CA](http://WWW.THEWORLDREMEMBERS.CA)

In each of the WWI Centenary years, the names  
of those who lost their lives will be displayed  
in the 100th year after their death.

MEMORY IS PART OF WHAT MAKES US HUMAN

The World Remembers is made possible by the contributions of individual Canadians  
and governments of participating nations.

Our thanks to the Globe & Mail for support of the project.



*The Globe & Mail, national edition, November 11, 2014*

## THE NUMBER OF NAMES OF THOSE KILLED IN 1914 THAT APPEARED IN THE 2014 DISPLAY, ARE AS FOLLOWS:

AUSTRALIA - 74

CANADA - 205

BRITISH INDIAN ARMY - 7,380

UNITED KINGDOM - 33,799

BELGIUM - 18,669

CZECH REPUBLIC - 34,633

GERMANY - 94,302

TURKEY - 3,270

FRANCE - 99,875



Indian Sepoy 1917



Canadian Nurse 1916

## 2015 AND FUTURE YEARS

The 2015 display of the names of those killed in 1915 will commence this October. The World Remembers will continue to add locations in Canada, the United Kingdom, Germany, Turkey and Belgium. We invite universities, museums, churches, libraries, community centers or any interested organization to join us presenting the display on a laptop, a wide screen TV or by means of a projector.

*The World Remembers* is in ongoing discussions with Italy, Serbia, Slovenia, Slovakia and New Zealand about participation. Our goal is to also bring the United States into the project in 2017, one hundred years after the first American soldiers fought in France in 1917.

*The World Remembers* is a charitable organization and is made possible by the generous donations of Canadian Foundations, numerous private individuals and by contributions from participating nations.

We wish to thank all of our contributors and also to recognize the schools, universities, community centers and libraries that have joined us in creating this unique project.

*I visited theworldremembers.ca full of anticipation that this was the portal through which I'd discover more about Uncle Jack. I felt momentarily disillusioned, and sad too, to see so many men named John Rogers had died during WWI. But, I soldiered on, going in and out of the details of each man who shared the name of my great uncle, pausing long enough to remember that each of those Johns were somebody's special, dear lost loved one, even if not mine. Nothing in 1914 fit. Then came 1915's list. In and out of several names on that page too without any luck and THEN... THERE IT WAS! There was my uncle's name and all his details, thanks to me knowing my great grandparents' given names and thanks to this wonderful website!! John Cresswell Rogers, a private with the Norfolk Regiment, died of his wounds in Flanders Fields, France, Dec. 19, 1915... and no one in our family knew where he rested until my chance listening to CBC radio that late-autumn 2014, morning. I feel profuse gratitude to [www.theworldremembers.ca](http://www.theworldremembers.ca) and to RH Thomson for singly honouring and remembering each of "them." Together, they brought my Uncle Jack "home" to his remaining family and he will now live even further on through my daughter's remembrance.*

Nina Spencer, Toronto, 2014

**PLEASE JOIN US.**



The Centenary years offer the only opportunity to create such a global project. The 1914-1918 war cast a historical shadow that extended for generations. This unique opportunity for illumination can only be realised if we work together to create a worldwide work of remembrance, education, history and reconciliation not soon to be forgotten.

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