



Dr. Gabriele Scardellato Awarded Cruikshank Medal

Presented at the 2012-13 Honours and Awards Ceremony, June 22, 2013
Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation Community Centre, Hagersville

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Pictured on June 22, 2013 (from left) is Dr. Ian Radforth, Chair, OHS Honours and Awards Committee; Dr. Gabriele Scardellato; Dr. B. E. S. Rudachyk, OHS President; and Carolyn King, OHS Director. *Photo Andrea Izzo*

In 1967, The Ontario Historical Society (OHS) established an awards programme to recognize individuals, organizations, corporations and authors who have contributed significantly to the preservation and promotion of Ontario's history and heritage.

Dr. Ian Radforth, Chair of the Honours and Awards Committee of The Ontario Historical Society, is pleased to announce that the 2012 **Cruikshank Medal**, presented on rare occasions to individuals who have performed with distinction on behalf of The Ontario Historical Society, was awarded to **Dr. Gabriele Scardellato** at the Society's Annual

Honours and Awards Ceremony on June 22nd, 2013, in Hagersville, Ontario.

As a member, author, editor, workshop leader, volunteer, and donor to the OHS for the past 25 years, Gabriele has been an unfailing and hard-working ambassador for the Society. Over the years, he has actively supported the projects and programs of the OHS, not only benefitting the Society's member organizations and individuals, but the greater heritage community at large.

As a volunteer, Dr. Scardellato has performed many invaluable roles, including presenter of his oral history workshop "Tell Us Your Story and In Your Own Words," symposium lecturer on his "From Garden to Table: Italian Canadians as Urban Peasant Farmers," and both Editor and Managing Editor of the OHS's scholarly journal Ontario History.

Dr. Scardellato is presently Associate Professor in the Department of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics, and holds The Mariano A. Elia Chair in Italian-Canadian Studies at York University.

It is with great honour and pride that the Society presents this award to Dr. Scardellato.

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