

Japanese Foreign Minister's Commendation Awarded to Stephen Bowman, Chair of the ROM's Board of Trustees



Mr. Stephen Bowman and Consul-General SASAYAMA Takuya with the certificate of the Foreign Minister's Commendation

On Aug. 5, Mr. Stephen W. Bowman, Chair of the Royal Ontario Museum's Board of Trustees was presented with the Foreign Minister's Commendation for 2020 at the official residence of Consul-General SASAYAMA Takuya of Japan. The Foreign Minister's Commendations are awarded to individuals and groups with outstanding achievements in international fields, in order to acknowledge their contributions to the promotion of friendship between Japan and other countries and areas. The Commendations also aim to promote the understanding and support of the Japanese public for the activities of the recipients.

Mr. Bowman has been an active member of the executive of the ROM's Bishop White Committee since 2014, promoting Japanese art and organizing lectures and events which resulted in greater understanding of Japanese culture among Canadians. Over many years, in both his personal and professional life, he has promoted Japan-Canada friendship and greater understanding of Japanese culture through art. This commendation was awarded in recognition of his contributions.

