## Alton Mill recognized with tourism award

The Hills of Headwaters Tourism Association recently celebrated excellence in tourism and hospitality at its annual awards ceremony.

It was a good evening for the Alton Mill Arts Centre, as it took the prize for Best Arts, Culture or Heritage Experience. Businesses and individuals exemplifying business and customer service excellence, and who help profile the Hills of Headwaters region as one of Ontario's premier tourism destinations were among the evening's honourees.

Award recipients received a beautiful plaque from Silver Creek Arts Project, the Hills of Headwaters 2013 Artisan of the Year, in honour of their achievements.

Other award winners were: Artisan of the Year? Ken Hall; Best Agri-Tourism Experience? Downey's Farm Market; Tourism Event or Festival of the Year? Christmas in the Park; Best Culinary Tourism Experience? Mono Cliffs Inn; Best Overnight Getaway Experience? Best Western Plus Orangeville Inn & Suites; Best Customer Service Experience (Business or Individual)? Inglewood Antique Market; Best New Tourism Business? Landman Gardens and Bakery; Tourism Innovator? Hockley Valley Resort and Woolwich Dairy Inc. (tie); and Chairperson's Award of Merit? Ross Millar (Ross Millar Group).



Michele Harris, executive director of the Hills of Headwaters Tourism Association, presented the award for Best Arts, Culture or Heritage Experience to Jeremy Grant of Alton Mill Arts Centre.