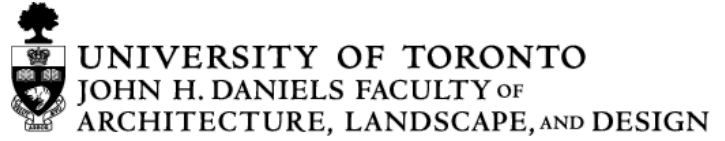


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## **News from MTI**

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## **Feature: Historical Tall-Wood Toronto**



Historical Tall-Wood Toronto is a study of Toronto's mill-construction buildings by Ross Beardsley Wood. Building on the work of Kenneth Koo at [FPIInnovations](#), Ross completed a series of Independent Studies with [Ted Kesik](#) examining a selection of "Heavy Timber Mill Construction" buildings. The typology has proven to be versatile and durable, but due to a lapse in construction between 1940 and 2000, trade knowledge of the building practice was lost. In this publication, Ross writes:

*"I see this research as unpacking an urban vernacular building typology, construction technology, and urban model for simple, low energy, adaptable infrastructure capable*

*of adeptly hosting a range of possible futures - a model that embodies a myriad of contemporary best practices in architecture...Historical Tall Wood Toronto (HTWT) started to formalize as a research query interrogating past historical precedence for Mass Timber in the contemporary "Canadian" context."*

Check out our website to [read and download Historical Tall Wood Toronto](#).

## Other Updates

- Join the the Canadian Wood Council's [Wood Solutions Conference](#) in Ottawa on February 5th
- The Grand Ring, built for the 2025 World Expo in Osaka, is made from timber harvested in Fukushima. Read about the Grand Ring and how timber manufacturing is transforming the area [here](#).
- Prince Edward County Memorial Hospital in Picton, Ontario, is set to be the first un-encapsulated mass timber hospital in North America. [Read about the project here](#)
- A lignin based mass timber adhesive is being researched at Michigan State University. The study aims to create a low carbon alternative to traditional fossil fuel based adhesives used in mass timber manufacturing. [Learn more](#).
- Retrofit of a Los Angeles warehouse into an office building is complete, featuring a hybrid mass timber and steel addition. [Read about it here](#)

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