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› Projects

WE TAKE PRIDE IN

2008 was a productive year for Bolduc: we were part in many worksites beautifying public places. Contributing to Québec's and north east of United States architectural heritage makes Bolduc particularly proud.

A major project for Bolduc: Montréal's entertainment district



Bolduc was honoured to take part in restoring Montréal's entertainment district. This five-year project involves the installation of the Avenue urban paver and prefabricated slabs as bases for streetlamps. We are happy to contribute to the refurbishment of this cultural quarter's walkway.

Owner : Ville de Montréal
Landscape Contractor : Pavages unis G.L.

Architect : Daoust Lestage Inc.

A facelift for Pointe-à-Carcy



While the Old Port was a focal site for the City of Québec's 400th anniversary festivities, Bolduc contributed to the renovation of the Pointe-à-Carcy promenade at 150 Dalhousie. Congratulations to Architects Daniel Arbour et Associés for their stunning design. What a beautiful addition to our portfolio! Have you set foot there this summer?

Owner : Administration Portuaire de Québec
Landscape Contractor : Maxi-Paysage Inc.

Architect : Daniel Arbour et Associés

A beautiful gift for Québec's 400th: the Promenade Samuel de Champlain



Champlain boulevardiers have been witness to a breathtaking metamorphosis of the shores of the Saint-Lawrence as part of the makeover for Québec's 400th. Bolduc took part in this project whose result, the Promenade Samuel de Champlain, has been acclaimed by all visitors.

Owner : Commission de la Capitale national du Québec
Landscape Contractor : Maxi-Paysage Inc.

Architect : Daoust Lestage inc.

The Promenade Desjardins

The Promenade Desjardins, situated between the Hilton Hotel and the Québec City Convention Centre, was also made over this year.

Owner : Desjardins
Architect : Lemay Michaud Achitecture Design
Landscape Contractor : Pavage spécialisé GB 2004 Inc.





Training

ICPI TRAINING:
still and always
recognized certification

ICPI training provides the tools you need to meet or exceed industry standards. Not only will you become more efficient and profitable, your certification lets your clients know that you are a skilled layer-installer.

Upcoming courses: will you join us?

United States

February 3 and 4, 2009
Holiday Inn Select
15 Middlesex Canal Park Road,
Woburn, MA
(781) 935-8760

Canada

February 9 and 10, 2009
Hôtel Gouverneur
3030 boul. Laurier,
Sainte-Foy, G1V 2M5
(418) 651-3030

February 16 and 17, 2009
Hôtel Gouverneur
2405 Île Charron,
Longueuil, J4G 1R6
(450) 651-6510

...and if you have to do it again?

If your final grade was less than 75% the last time around, surely you'd like another chance at ICPI certification. You can now re-take your course without having to repay the enrolment fees. If you followed the ICPI course between February 2008 and February 2009, you will only have to bring your manual from the previous course, to re-enrol in ICPI training and to be eligible for certification.



For more information or to register, please contact Bolduc or visit our website.

TOOLS OF THE TRADE

Here are a few professional tips to complete a job quickly and well: **Techniseal products.**

HP polymer sand for Techniseal paver joints

This polymer sand was specially designed for heavily-used slab and paver joints: public roads, sloped entrances (slopes favour erosion), pool terraces, etc. Caution: slabs and pavers must be installed over a drainage layer of sand or stone. Ideal for large joints, HP polymer sand is very durable and effective. It is also good to know that this product provides extra erosion-resistance caused by weather or vacuum cleaning.

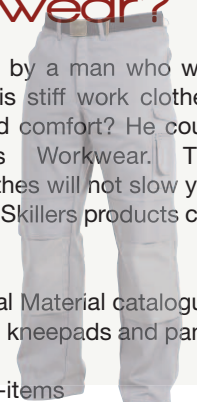
Techniseal HP PRO masonry adhesive

This high-tech adhesive is as flexible and hard as the material, which makes it perfect for surfaces under heavy traffic, like sidewalks. It is composed of a type of urethane that reacts quickly to humidity. Important: because it is stronger than regular adhesives, using less of it can get the same result. The adhesive must be applied on clean, dry surfaces at temperatures over 5 degrees Celsius. Do not apply it in thicknesses exceeding one centimetre. An interesting feature is that these adhesives do not give off any strong smells and are environment-friendly.

Do You Know Skillers Workwear?

Skillers Workwear was developed by a man who was tired of being slowed down by his stiff work clothes. Why couldn't he get durability and comfort? He could when he developed Skillers Workwear. The flexible yet durable fibres in its clothes will not slow you down. Every landscaper who buys Skillers products can vouch for that!

Take a look at Bolduc's Promotional Material catalogue: you'll certainly like the super-tough kneepads and pants with pouches!
<http://www.bolduc.ca/promotional-items>





BOLDUC EXPERT : it's to your advantage!

The Bolduc Expert Program equips its members with a wide array of tools that will contribute to the growth of their business. Everything in the program is designed to give you an advantage: advertising and promotional tools, sales tools, ICPI training, the Fidelity Program and technical support.

Referencing: be part of the Web!

Bolduc's website is among the first listed by the main search engines (Google, Yahoo, etc.). Visitors are referred to Bolduc Expert members through our site. Potential clients are a click away – what more can you ask!

Perspective Pro software – because a picture is worth a thousand words!

The Bolduc Expert Program recommends Perspective Pro imaging software. This marvel helps you design your projects and show them in pictures to your clients. Select and view concrete products, colours, textures, etc. This tool is essential for showing your ideas and layouts to clients

With Bolduc Expert, your business can only grow. For more information or to register online, go to www.bolducexpert.com.

Here are some comments by a Bolduc Expert members :

"The Bolduc Expert program is a tremendous resource for me. It gives me visibility before, during the project and after and highlights Bolduc's collaboration with me through advertising, door hanger and yard signage. I received a briefcase for all the sales tools I need to sell my projects.

Bolduc Expert also gives me the opportunity to obtain tools adapted to my work. The Skillers work clothes I purchased through Bolduc are excellent for their functionality and toughness. In addition, whenever I buy Bolduc products, I get purchase credits from the program. This is one program I'd recommend to anyone."

Steeve Roy
Paysage Relief

"We are truly happy to have taken part in the very first year of the BOLDUC EXPERT Program. This excellent program made it possible for our business to give work shirts to our employees and polo shirts to everybody.

In addition, the many promotional tools provided under the program gave us the edge for obtaining fine residential projects.

We hope this wonderful program grows and thrives and we take the opportunity to thank BOLDUC for their exceptional work."

François Ouellet
BSL Landscaping, Rimouski

We look forward to your joining the ranks of our experts!

PAVETECH

Gain Efficiency with Pavetech Tools

Even the best worker can be slowed down by the wrong tools. Pavetech specializes in manufacturing tools for paver installers. To get up to cruising speed, here are some of our members' favourite Pavetech tools :



Small size
SlabGrabber
(4 to 16 inches)



PaverScribe



BaseRake

These wise purchases are all available in Bolduc's Promotional Material catalogue. See <http://www.bolduc.ca/promotional-items>



New Pavetech products in our "Promotional Material" brochure

Sand Pull Pro : a level for ultra-light setting beds. Especially for residential projects, this tool lets you work standing up thanks to its 3-D T-shaped handle. As a result, you can use your full weight to do your work. Two sizes are available: 3' to 7.5' and 7.5' to 10'.



SandMAX 1 : this strike board is designed for commercial use and requires two workers or operated with almost buy motorized construction equipment. Up to 19 feet wide, this telescoping rail is easy to adjust and transport. Screeding has never been faster!





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with nature!*

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› Coming Exhibitions for 2009

The Bolduc team loves to meet the people who use Bolduc products. You are a source of inspiration and information. We will be pleased to greet you at our booth at the following events, where we will show you our innovations, answer questions and give valuable advice :

February 4 to 6, 2009 :

New England Grows,
Boston Convention and Exhibition Center,
Boston, MA www.NEGrows.org

February 5 to 8, 2009 :

Salon Expo Habitat de l'Estrie,
Centre Expo-Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, QC
www.expohabitatestrie.com

February 5 to 8, 2009 :

Cottage and Country Homes Show
Québec City Convention Centre, QC
www.saloncmcq.com

February 27 to march 1, 2009

The 2009 Flower and Patio show
Worcester, MA
www.centralmaflowershow.com

March 12 to 15, 2009 :

City and Suburb HomeShow
Montréal Olympic Stadium, QC
www.salonhabitat.ca

March 20 and 21, 2009 :

AAPQ Annual Congress
Hyatt Regency Hotel, Montréal, QC
www.aapq.org

April 1 and 2, 2009 :

Residential Design and Construction,
Seaport World Trade Center, Boston, MA
www.rdcboston.com