



Galt Arena Gardens

98 Shade Street, Cambridge,
Ontario

The Galt Arena Gardens was built in the fall of 1921 and hosted its first hockey game on January 22nd of the following year, soon becoming the home of four Allen Cup championship teams. A solid brick structure with steel supports, the state-of-the-art facility

was built as a monument to the future of Galt. Designed by architect F.C. Bodeley of Brantford in an Edwardian style with Art Deco flair, the arena was the venue for a variety of events over the years including concerts, religious meetings, circuses and figure and speed skating. Through the Galt skating races begun in 1931, nearly every child in town skated in the arena. It was designated under the *Ontario Heritage Act* in 1995 for its historical and architectural interest and remains the longest continually operating hockey facility in Ontario.

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