Industrial Archaeology: A New Look At The American Heritage

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Industrial ARCHAEOLOGY is a type of interdisciplinary history that promotes understanding of the industrial era by focusing on physical remains, whether above ground or below, and by combining the insights of fieldwork and historical research. The name is recent in origin but already is well established throughout the world. North Americans formed the Society for Industrial Archaeology in 1971, while the Canadian Society for Industrial Heritage was created in 1988. Provincial societies are the Ontario Society for Industrial Archaeology (1981) and Association Quebeoise pour le patrimoine industriel (1988).