

# Camp X

The very name is shrouded in mystery. As well it should be.

In 1940, Great Britain and the Commonwealth were on the brink of defeat and the United States had not yet entered the war. It was indeed a grim time with defeat at the hands of the Nazi war machine a very real possibility. British Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill decided something had to be done. He instructed his friend, the head of the British Security Co-ordination (BSC), Canadian born First World War hero Sir William Stephenson, who became known as “The Man Called Intrepid”, to establish a facility in Canada to train secret operatives in the art of espionage.

Established on December 6, 1941 one day before the infamous Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, the camp, officially known as Special Training School #103 was established on 280 secluded acres of land along the shore of Lake Ontario east of Toronto near the border between the towns of Oshawa and Whitby.

From their initial training in subversive warfare and covert ops, to learning how to survive behind enemy lines, the men and women who graduated from Camp X would live forever in the shadows. Over 500 agents successfully trained at the Camp before undertaking clandestine Allied missions around the world.

Agents from the FBI and the Office of Strategic Services, the fore runner of the CIA, secretly attended the facility. Most notable was Colonel William Donovan, wartime head of the OSS who credited William Stephenson with teaching Americans about foreign intelligence gathering. In addition, such noteworthy figures as William Colby and Bill Donovan (former CIA directors), Roald Dahl (creator of Charlie & the Chocolate Factory), Ian Fleming (of James Bond fame – who was no doubt inspired by Camp X), George McClellan (former RCMP Commissioner) and Robert Sherwood (four time Pulitzer Prize winner) all trained at the Camp.

These brave individuals were not protected by the Geneva Convention for the Treatment of Prisoners of War. Many were captured, tortured, and executed by the Nazis and the Japanese Kempeitai while those who did survive received no official public recognition for their courageous accomplishments. Camp X offered no parades for its graduates and those who returned from their missions simply went home and did as they were required to do and kept quiet. More than seventy years later, most of their names remain inaccessible under the Official Secrets Act.

To show your appreciation for their courageous endeavours and to publicly honour the men and women of Camp X – those brave individuals who ventured into the shadows for the cause of freedom, we are pleased to offer a striking Limited Edition Camp X watch (authorized by Lynn Philip Hodgson).

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The slim-line timepiece has Seiko movements, 24K, raised gold plating on its face, an engraved case back and a designer Speidel leather strap which is being offered in black blue and red. The watch will be delivered in an embossed velveteen collector’s box and will make an excellent gift. Proceeds from each watch are being directed towards a special initiative to ensure the memory of Camp X will not be forgotten. Lynn Philip Hodgson is not receiving any personal monetary benefit for his support of the Camp X Commemorative Watch. This is a unique opportunity to honour the heroism of all those who served from Camp X. All sales are final.



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