



HALL OF DISTINCTION

May 24, 2018



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Welcome to our eleven inductees to the Hall of Distinction, and to the family, friends and colleagues who are with us today to celebrate this wonderful occasion.

On behalf of John Abbott College and our community of students, faculty, staff, alumni, retirees, parents, and friends, we are so pleased to share this evening with you.

The Hall of Distinction, unveiled just two years ago, was created to recognize those people who have distinguished themselves through excellence and by going above-and-beyond what is normally expected of them. Former employees of John Abbott who have made a difference on campus, former students who used John Abbott as a springboard to subsequent successes, and friends of the College who displayed extreme loyalty to our institution – all these people have set themselves apart in their own unique way.

We see four decades represented by alumni nominees, 100 years of service to John Abbott through our employee nominees and 75 years of loyalty through our friends of the College nominees. We laud each of your successes and thank you for keeping John Abbott in your hearts.

Congratulations to our inductees – our class of 2018!

Guylaine Audet
Chairperson, Board of Governors

John Halpin
Director General, John Abbott College

John Abbott College

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The Hall of Distinction was established in 2016 to recognize alumni, former employees and friends of the College who have contributed to life on campus or to the greater community in a significant way.

We are proud of their accomplishments and celebrate the influence that they have had in society.

ALUMNI

Who have made a significant and verifiable impact within the College community and/or society;

Who are of good character and exemplify the citizenship expected of persons representing the interests of the College;

Who are highly respected among their peers, have attained remarkable professional achievements, or who have made significant contributions to society.

EMPLOYEES

Who have greatly exceeded job expectations;

Who have forged links or responded to requests from community groups in such a way that has led to sustained benefits;

Who have contributed to the culture of the College and had a positive impact on the student experience;

Who have maintained the highest standards of professionalism.

FRIENDS

Who have made a significant and verifiable impact on the campus community;

Who are of good character and exemplify the citizenship expected of persons representing the interests of the College;

Who have made a major contribution in direct support of the objectives of the College and its students.



Gabriel Bran Lopez

Gabriel's family emigrated to Canada from his native Guatemala in the early 1980s. Adjusting to a different and challenging lifestyle he embraced the value of the educational experience. After graduating from John Abbott, he completed a degree in Communication Studies at Concordia University.

Then, travelling through many countries, particularly in Africa, and experiencing the challenge of difficult social conditions he returned with a commitment to values of community and sharing.

In 2009, he founded Youth Fusion, an award-winning charity that works to lower dropout rates, employs over 250 people in Québec and Ontario, and works on a weekly basis with over 15,000 students, including 4,500 Indigenous youth in Inuit and First Nations communities. The charity specifically focuses on experiential learning. Gabriel launched, among other educational programs, a video gaming creation project with Ubisoft as well as a fashion design project with ALDO Group. Moreover, he also co-founded FIRST Robotics Québec and the annual Robotics Festival, two initiatives implemented in collaboration with Bombardier. In 2015 and 2016, Gabriel was President of the *Jeune Chambre de commerce de Montréal* (JCCM), the largest youth chamber in the world, and led a successful two-term mandate that contributed to transforming the JCCM into a key player for emerging leaders. Under his leadership, the JCCM created an innovative – and its first – micro-financing fund with *Aéroports de Montréal* to support 375 entrepreneurial ideas.

GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION

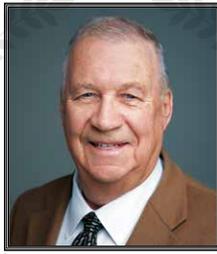
- Governor on the Council of Montreal's 375th Anniversary
- Contributed to the development of the *JE VOIS MTL/JE FAIS MTL* movements
- Member of the provincial Committee on Economy and Innovation
- Special Advisor to the Minister of Culture for the renewal of Québec's cultural policy
- Member of the eight-member Expert Panel on Youth Employment

Gabriel is a former director of the boards of the Chamber of Commerce of Metropolitan Montreal (CCMM) as well as Oxfam Québec. He is currently a director on the boards of Concordia University and the Bombardier Foundation.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- Mercuriades by the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of Québec (FCCQ)
- Peace Medal by the YMCAs of Québec
- Social Entrepreneur of the Year by Ernst & Young (EY)
- Personality of the Week by La Presse/RadioCanada (CBC)
- Emerging Leader Award by the Public Policy Forum of Canada
- Ashoka and Jeanne Sauvé Foundation Fellow

Gabriel has maintained his role as president of Youth Fusion which is celebrating its tenth anniversary this year.



C. Stephen Cheasley

A graduate of McGill University, C. Stephen Cheasley is a member of the Bar of Québec and was a lawyer with Fasken Martineau from 1963 until his retirement in 2010. The focus of his professional practice has been financing and commercial real estate.

Mr. Cheasley became involved with John Abbott College shortly after its creation in 1970, when he was called upon to negotiate a lease of an industrial building to be used as classrooms on a temporary basis. This successful contribution became the foundation of a relationship, which has spanned nearly five decades.

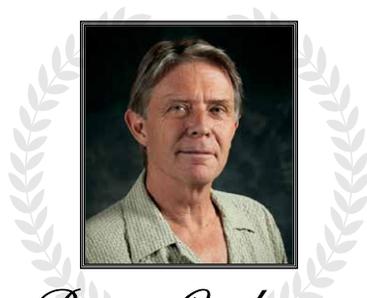
The search for a permanent home for the College in the West Island led Mr. Cheasley to play a prominent role in the purchase of land by the College next to Fairview Shopping Centre in Pointe-Claire.

When it was decided later to locate the College on the campus of MacDonald College, Mr. Cheasley was involved with the negotiation of a twenty-five, year emphyteutic lease between the College and McGill University. He subsequently participated in the purchase of the Macdonald campus from McGill at the end of the emphyteutic lease, as well as the sale of the surplus Pointe-Claire land.

Mr. Cheasley, at the suggestion of Director-General Keith Henderson, formed the John Abbott College Foundation in 1999 and was its Chair for thirteen years during which time the Foundation raised money to help students and ran a successful capital campaign to raise funds for the new science building.

PARTICIPATION IN ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Canadian Railroad Historical Association, President
 - Exporail, the Canadian Railway Museum, President
 - Montreal Board of Trade, President and Chairman
 - Public Hearings on McGill College Avenue, 1984 Co-Chair
 - Public Hearings on the Old Port, 1987 Co-Chair
 - Advisory Committee City of Montreal on Public Hearings, 2000, Member
 - Tourisme Montréal, Director
 - Montreal International, Director
 - Lakeshore General Hospital, President
 - Task Force on Greater Montreal and Regions, Member
 - *Fond d'investissements de Montréal*, Director
 - *Quartier international de Montréal*, President
 - John Abbott College Foundation, Chairman
 - Canadian Railroad Historical Association Foundation, President
 - Canadian Railway Hall of Fame Selection Committee, Member
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Bruce Cochrane

Bruce's first step onto the path to a remarkable career in ceramic arts and worldwide recognition began in 1972 when he enrolled in the John Abbott ceramics program. His studies continued at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design where he received a Bachelor of Fine Arts in 1976. He followed this with the completion of a Master's degree in Fine Art from the New York State College of Ceramics at Alfred University. Since his graduation in 1978, he has presented his work in more than three hundred exhibitions and participated in lectures and workshops throughout North America.

Bruce stepped directly from the campus of Alfred University onto that of Sheridan College in Oakville, Ontario. He was a professor and the studio head of the Ceramics department from 1978 through 2010. Now retired, he is a professor emeritus of that institution. Through 30 years of teaching, he has made a remarkable contribution to the development of a nationally renowned Ceramics program at the College.

He has also made an important contribution as a student advisor. Since 1999, he has played that role at the Mississauga Living Art Centre. Prior to that, he worked with the Harbour Front Craft Centre in Toronto from 1983-1985 and 1987-1994.

His own work is presented in eighteen prestigious permanent collections including:

- Royal Ontario Museum (Toronto)
- Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Art (Toronto)
- Victoria and Albert Museum (London, England)
- Canadian Museum of History (Capital Region-Gatineau)
- Montreal Museum of Fine Arts (Montréal)
- Winnipeg Art Gallery (Winnipeg)
- Canadian Crafts Museum (Vancouver)
- *Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec* (Québec City)
- Jingdezhen Ceramic Institute (Jingdezhen, China)

Throughout his career, he has contributed to magazine publications such as: *The Log Book*, *Ceramic Arts and Perception*, *Ceramics Monthly*, *Fusion*, and *Contact*. Bruce's expertise has also been represented in a considerable number of books.

HONOURS

- Governor General's Award – Nominee (2003, 2004, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2014)
 - Saidye Bronfman – Nominee, Finalist (1985, 2000)
 - John Mathers Award, Ontario Craft Council – Outstanding Contribution to Craft in Ontario (2004)
 - Mississauga Visual Artist of the Year (2004)
 - Elected to the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts (2003)
 - Elected to the International Academy of Ceramics (2000)
 - Several grants from the Canada Council and the Ontario Art Council
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The encouragement to be the best that you can be is offered to many but the opportunity to be the best among all is accorded to few. Gillian Florence seized that opportunity and became Canada's most outstanding female rugby player.

Gillian graduated from Hudson High School in 1992 and became a member of the John Abbott College rugby team in the fall of that year. A year later, she was named the team's most valuable player and led the Islanders to their first college championship.

During her pursuit of a physical education degree at McGill University, Gillian played with the Martlets. In her rookie year, she led the league in scoring and was named to the All-Conference team. Her skill level and contribution to women's rugby at McGill was recognized by the McGill Tribune as one of McGill's top twenty athletes of all time.

Throughout this period and beyond she was also a mainstay of the Sainte Anne's rugby club playing through twenty-two seasons. She had the opportunity to represent Québec eighteen times and won the national championship in 2001 and 2002.

She had also been recognized by Rugby Canada as a highly skilled player and became a national team player while still at John Abbott.

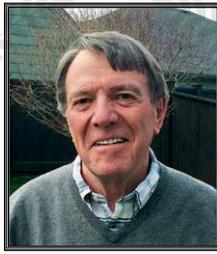
NATIONAL TEAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Debuted for Canada in the 1994 World Cup in Scotland at age eighteen
- Played in a record 66 international matches
- One of only five players to play in five World Cup tournaments (1994, 1998, 2002, 2006, 2010)
- Selected to the All-World team to play against the world's number one team, the New Zealand Black Ferns

Her ability to adapt to the needs of her team and contribute to all aspects of the game was an indication of her remarkable skills. A constant offensive threat, Gillian led the team in scoring; she was also a stalwart defence.

Gillian's ultimate acknowledgement as a remarkable rugby player was provided by Rugby Canada. Among the eight awards presented annually, the Gillian Florence (Players' Player Award) recognizes the player who best represents the qualities of Canadian rugby as voted by her teammates. It is the only award which honours a player in its title. She was inducted into the Canadian Rugby Hall of fame in 2016 becoming the first women to receive that honour. Simply stated by Rugby Canada within its description of her accomplishments: *"An astonishing talent, Florence is the most decorated Canadian female player of all time after a fantastic two decade plus career"*.

Gillian retired from international competition in 2011 and now lives in Musquodoboit Harbour, Nova Scotia with her family.



Kevin Gearey

Kevin is a natural born educator. Arguably among the most respected teachers at John Abbott College throughout the history of the institution, he had a remarkable ability to inspire within the students a passion for learning and an understanding of its value. His students have often expressed their appreciation for the contributions that he has made to their lives, both in the classroom and in life in general.

EDUCATION

- Bachelor's Degree in Science, University of Windsor, 1964
- Teaching Certificate, Ontario College of Education, 1965
- Master's Degree in Education (M.Ed.), St. Michael's College, Vermont, 1970
- Master's Degree in the Teaching of Mathematics (MTM), Concordia University, 1975

CAREER

- 1964 – 1972 High School Teacher in Ontario and Québec
- 1972 – 2001 Member of the John Abbott College Physics Department
- 2001 – 2004 Member of the John Abbott College Sports and Recreation Department

He joined the Physics department in the second year of the John Abbott's operation in 1972. His teaching skills and contribution to student learning were recognized by the Student Union of John Abbott College, through the Outstanding Teacher Award presented annually. His impact was noteworthy in that he received the award on four occasions: 1993, 1997, 2000 and 2001, the only teacher at John Abbott to be so recognized.

A dedicated teacher, his commitment to excellence in teaching and his dedication to providing the best opportunities for student learning led to a nomination for the Association of Canadian Community College's annual award for teaching excellence.

Beyond the classroom, Kevin's contribution to student life and development has also been acknowledged. He was the first among the College community to volunteer as an academic coach with the Sports and Recreation department and set the standard for the development of a highly successful program. His support and guidance offered to the women's basketball team recognized the needs of students beyond the classroom. The role of an academic and life mentor has never been so well defined.

Kevin also initiated the Academic Monitoring Program, which requires all intercollegiate athletes to ask their teachers for feedback on their progress twice a semester. Through his role in helping to establish this program, Kevin paved the way for the mid-semester assessments now given to all first-semester students at John Abbott College. To that is added his role as a member of the organizing committee for national college basketball championships hosted by John Abbott.

In his day, Kevin was active as a runner and participated in nine marathons. He has quietly retired from that as well and he and his wife Ann live in Campbell River on Vancouver Island which he lovingly refers to as "our island in the Pacific".



Dr. Adolphe Légaré

In 1984, “the Doc”, as he became affectionately known on campus, contacted the Athletics department and asked if could offer his services as a volunteer to the department. An avid sports fan, he was involved with West Island minor soccer, basketball, and hockey leagues. He also spent many years as a member of the executive of the Lakeshore Cougars minor football organization.

His first love was football and he felt that he would be able to contribute to the preparation of the athletes for both practice and competition. It was not long before he welcomed student-athletes from all of the Islander teams.

Dr. Légaré was a distinguished surgeon and member of the Lakeshore General Hospital from 1965 through the early years of the twentieth century. He was the chief surgeon at the hospital from 1980 to 1984. He also shared his time with the two well known West Island clinics: Sporthopro (YMCA) and Action Sport Physio.

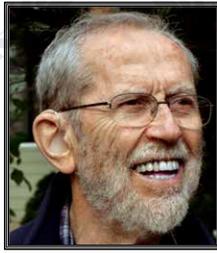
One of his objectives was to enhance the quality of medical services available to student-athletes. He was instrumental in introducing Action Sport Physio to the athletics program. This was the first step in a program which eventually was to bring students as *stagiaires* from Concordia University’s sports medicine program.

Following the 1988 Olympic doping scandal and the upsurge in concern about performance enhancing drugs, the Doc developed an information program for student-athletes. He followed this with annual presentations to the Islander teams and later developed a program which conformed with that of the Canadian Collegiate Athletic Association.

For all those many years, the Doc held his regular clinic for the Islanders every Tuesday in the physiotherapy room. The list of athletes was generally quite lengthy but there was no time limit for the Doc. For the physiotherapists and Concordia *stagiaires*, it was a wonderful opportunity to consult with an expert.

The Doc became a member of the Athletics department, loved by his Islanders. As his participation in the program evolved, he could be seen at an increasing number of games and competitions. Much appreciated was his contribution to the Islanders during playoff time. He was frequently with the teams when they travelled and was listed in championship programs as a member of the team staff.

His contribution and memory has been preserved by the Athletics department by the creation of an award in his honour. The Doctor Al Légaré Memorial Community Service award was first presented at the Athletic Awards night in April of 2009, to the John Abbott sports team which excelled in community volunteer work. Quoted in a Gazette article, Steve Shaw, retired athletic director said: *“The Doc was all about community and this award honours his memory and his commitment to our program. He was a genuine, honest and a great man with an excellent sense of humour.”*



Murray Napier

Murray's career on the Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue campus began before the appearance of John Abbott College. He had been teaching English literature to Macdonald College agriculture and education students. When the CEGEP arrived in 1971, he was hired as the first chair of the English department.

The growth of theatre programming was very much dependent upon Murray. First he created the theatre workshop courses. These were pre-university creative arts courses and included a theatre workshop English class which exists to this day as a component of the curriculum.

It occurred to Murray that the opportunity to promote and sustain English language theatre opportunities could find no better home than the education system. The CEGEP system was created to provide pre-university programs as well as those heading to employment in many different fields and Murray and his colleagues took their cue from the College's mission. In 1973, they applied for and received the authorization to offer the Professional Theatre program.

Many students have graduated from the theatre program and moved on to careers in the many facets of theatre production. Credit has been offered to Murray for the challenges which he provided and demands made upon the students to contribute to their success. His influence may best be represented by the comment of an alumnus who is now pursuing a successful career in television and film: *"Murray believes in theatre of the imagination, that inspired us to let ourselves go in all directions and to find our characters and bring out the story we were trying to tell"*. The courses were rigorous but prepared the students for the self-discipline required in this field. Murray's legacy to the world of theatre may be seen in the many students who have chosen a career in the arts, participated in local productions or have become patrons of Montreal's English theatres.

Murray has always been an active participant in the theatre. After his retirement Murray has continued to contribute to the local theatre community. He has worked with the *Table d'Hôte* Theatre, Lakeshore Players and the Hudson Players Club. His love of the theatre and dedication to the John Abbott program can be noted by his frequent appearance on campus to help teachers and students work through a production or offer his counsel and opinion.

Murray was accorded recognition for his contribution to John Abbott theatre during a remarkable pre-retirement party in the winter of 2005. The Casgrain Theatre was filled to capacity with current and former students and colleagues. It was a wonderful evening which provided an opportunity for so many to remind Murray of how much he meant to them.

He is a founder of this College and has personally laid the bricks for the foundation of the English department, the Theatre English courses, the Arts, Literature and Communication Theatre workshops as well as the Professional Theatre department.



A resident of Hudson, Glenn graduated from McGill University in 1965 with a BA in History & Economics and in 1970 a Masters in History. He has always had a love for amateur sports and at McGill he played on three varsity teams: basketball, water polo and swimming. In 1965, he achieved McGill Scarlet Key Society Honours.

Glenn began his career at John Abbott College in 1972 hoping to become a history teacher but fortunately for the JAC students, he became the Assistant Coordinator of Continuing Education. From there he started a career in the College's Student Services division that lasted 31 years and included a five-year stint as a Professional in Student Activities and, for the most part, Sports & Recreation. Prior to joining the department he was also the head coach of the Lady Islander hockey team in the mid-70s as well as an assistant coach of the Islander football team.

It was in the Sports & Recreation department where he really made a name for himself both at John Abbott and across Canada. The Casgrain Sports Centre opened in 1980 and with Glenn at the helm, the Islander teams began a tradition of flourishing both on and off the field of play. The Islanders teams were certainly always at the forefront, winning and hosting numerous provincial and national championships. Under his guidance, John Abbott has hosted the CCAA national championships in women's volleyball, soccer and basketball, men's basketball, volleyball and soccer.

Glenn was a true leader whose gentle and thoughtful manner was inspirational and integral to the success of the department and its athletes. He also understood that winning was not everything and that the very endeavor of participating was enriching to the development of our students and coaches.

Throughout his career, Glenn played a key role in the development of the FOSE and later the RSEQ, both provincial collegiate sports associations in Québec. On the national level, his involvement with CCAA (Canadian Colleges Athletic Association) started early and continues to this day, serving in the past as both vice-president and president of the association. Another indication of the immense contribution Glenn has made to Canadian college sports is illustrated by his writing of the book: *CCAA, The First Forty Years*, a book documenting the history and challenges in the evolution of the CCAA.

In 2000, Glenn became the first recipient of the CCAA Athletic Director of the Year award. He will be inducted into the CCAA Hall of Fame in a new suit this coming June in Québec City.

When Glenn left John Abbott in 2007, he never said he was retiring; he continues to volunteer his expertise and services to several other colleges hosting national championships. He continues to be a resource person for John Abbott as well as for many colleges across Canada.

Glenn always understood the importance of sports and recreation in the development of John Abbott students as individuals as well as the balance between participation and academics. Thousands of students have graduated from the College having benefited from his vision, commitment and understanding.



Dale Sheehan

Dale's career in policing began the day he enrolled in the Police Technology program at John Abbott College. From that moment his education, career path and contributions to policing have had a major impact within Canada as well as internationally.

Following his graduation from John Abbott, Dale received a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, Criminology and Law from Carleton University. He completed his formal education at Carleton's Sprott School of Business completing the Executive Strategic Human Resources Leadership Program.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND EXPERIENCE

Dale has been a force in policing on the international scene. He has been a participant, observer and analyst of police training in more than 125 countries. Currently he is a Director, Special Investigations Unit, Capacity Building and Education with the International Center Sports Security and has lectured internationally on integrity and corruption in sports.

Among his roles:

- Served across Canada and internationally with the RCMP
- United Nations Peacekeeping Forces in the former Yugoslavia
- Director General, Chief Superintendent of the RCMP Learning and Development Branch
- INTERPOL's first Director of Police Training and Development
- Adjudicator and Mediator with the RCMP

BOARDS OF DIRECTORS

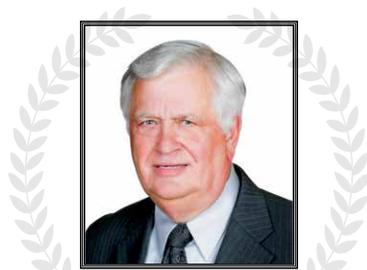
- Past President, Canadian Association of Police Educators
- INTERPOL, Group of Experts, Police Training
- Canadian Police Knowledge Network
- RCMP Quarterly Editorial Board
- Intellectual Property Management Board

RECOGNITION

Dale is the recipient of the following medals:

- St. John Ambulance
- Canadian Peacekeeping
- Canada 125
- Saskatchewan Centenary
- Queen Elizabeth II Golden and Diamond Jubilee
- Colombia Police
- Royal Canadian Mounted Police Long Service
- United Nations Protection Force

He has been recognized as a Member of the Order of Merit, the highest honour presented by the Canadian Police forces, and appointed as an Honorary Member of the Police Technology Faculty of John Abbott. Dale still refers back to John Abbott College as the "institute that changed my life". He brought that message and recognition of the value of the College when he accepted the role of guest speaker at Convocation in June of 2013.



Gerald Stachrowski

After graduating from Sir George Williams University, Gerry stepped directly into the field of education. Prior to being hired as a history teacher by John Abbott in 1971, Gerry taught at the elementary school level for one year and high school for five. However, he was destined for a career in administration and while he did not actually teach at John Abbott, his contribution to the Québec education system prior to 1971 was a precursor for the path his career would take.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

- First Vice-President of the Québec Association of Teachers of History, 1966-1968
- Vice-President of the Dorval Association of English Speaking Catholic Teachers, 1967-1969
- Board member of the Provincial Association of Catholic Teachers, 1968-1969
- President of the Dorval Association of English Speaking Catholic Teachers, 1969-1971
- First Vice-President of the Provincial Association of Catholic Teachers, 1969-1971

Gerry took on the role of scheduler during his first year at Abbott. A year later, in 1972, he was appointed Director of Personnel and subsequently became Director of Administrative Services. It was from this position that he retired in 2013, having been responsible for the Finance, Human Resources, Print Room, Graphics and Bookstore departments.

He also served as Secretary General for the College as well as John Abbott's liaison with McGill University.

Near the end of his career, Gerry played a significant role in the planning of the construction of the new science building, dedicated as the Anne-Marie Edward Science building. Gerry had monitored the project from its inception. He was a member of the team responsible for the development of the financial program and selecting the professionals who would carry the project through to fruition.

Gerry is remembered by his colleagues as the 'go-to' person at John Abbott. Favouring an open door policy, he was always available to listen and offer solutions which would benefit the interests of the College. Gerry had a passion for the College and was always prepared to contribute the hard work required to achieve the stated objectives.

Beyond his College achievements, Gerry was an accomplished soccer player in his youth. He was recognized by Concordia University with the highest sports award offered by the institution and was named to university's Sports Hall of Fame in 2009.

Gerry made a remarkable contribution to John Abbott College through forty-two years of service. He is now enjoying retirement and lives in the Montreal area with his wife Beverley.



Caroline Tison

Caroline began her post-secondary education career at John Abbott College in 1988. A decade and a half later, she would express her appreciation and the value she placed on the College by becoming a volunteer. From 2004-2007 she served as a member of the College Board of Governors, holding the position of Vice-Chairperson in 2007.

EDUCATION

- Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM), MBA Financial Services, 2001
- Institute of Canadian Bankers Diploma Small and Medium Business Studies, 2001
- Institute of Canadian Bankers Fellow Financial Services
- John Molson School of Business (Concordia University) B.Comm Human Resources Major, Accounting Minor, 1994
- John Abbott College, Diploma Commerce, 1990

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

- Vice-President, Business Development Rideau Recognition Solutions, 2016-present
- Executive Director, West Island Community Shares, 2004-2016

- Freelance Blogger, Montreal Gazette, 2012-2014
- Manager, Executive Projects, Traffic Tech Inc., 2002-2004
- Project Manager, Scabrini Media, 2000-2001
- Director, Personal Financial Planning Program, Institute of Canadian Bankers, 1995-2000

ASSOCIATIONS

- Member, Board of Governors John Abbott College
- Founding member, Women's Links
- Director (Board member) West Island of Montreal Chamber of Commerce
- Secretary, Board of Director, Complexe West Island initiative
- Masquerade Ball Organizing Committee member, West Island Community Shares

The major portion of her professional career has been as Executive Director of West Island Community Shares. Through her tenure with this not-for-profit organization from 2004-2016, and under her leadership, a total of \$10 million was raised.

She has recently led a successful initiative to obtain the accreditation of the Imagine Canada Standards program. This recognizes the Community Shares' excellence in governance, financial accountability and transparency, fundraising, staff management and volunteer involvement. A rather prestigious award, only 150 of 85,000 Canadian registered charities have been so recognized.

Caroline's contribution to Canada were recognized when she received the Diamond Jubilee Medal presented to Canadians in commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the Queen's accession to the Throne. She also has received the Silver Medal for Small and Medium Business Management diploma awarded by the Institute of Canadian bankers.



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