Dear friends,

It has been a great pleasure for me in recent months to have had the opportunity to meet with many of you, be it at the Citadelle last fall, for the 100th investiture ceremony, or more recently during a trip that my husband and I took to Western Canada. I have shared with you my desire to highlight the Order of Canada—you, its members, and your myriad of accomplishments. I firmly believe that as a group, you are a treasure trove of knowledge and experiences that all Canadians would benefit from discovering.

Whenever I spoke to you of the need to build bridges between generations, between you and our young people, through a mentoring program—a project that is dear to my heart—you responded with such enthusiasm that I am more convinced than ever that this program will be a success and will have a lasting impact. And so, I would like to announce that we will soon be launching the first stage of that project in partnership with Youth In Motion's Top 20 Under 20™ / 20 ados avec brio™ program.

I know that, in this same spirit of inter-generational dialogue, many members of the Order are already playing an active role in the lives of young Canadians in their communities, speaking in schools or before public assemblies, even taking part in citizenship ceremonies and organizing activities in your neighbourhoods. We need to build on this involvement and take things even further, in a thousand different ways.

Through your actions and achievements, which have already earned you a place in the Order of Canada, you are showing us that we all share in the responsibility of acting for the greater good and in helping to build a strong social bond across the country. Your sense of commitment, your desire to excel and your passion continue to inspire us and encourage all Canadians to live out our dreams and dare to take chances.

Her Excellency the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean, C.C., C.M.M., C.O.M., C.D. Governor General of Canada
The 100th investiture of the Order of Canada was held at Rideau Hall on October 26, 2007. This distinctive honour was first awarded in 1967. Since then, more than 5,000 people have been invested into the Order of Canada. Alex Colville and Jacques Genest, two of the recipients from the very first investiture ceremony in 1967, were on hand to help celebrate this milestone anniversary.

The Honourable Alex Colville, P.C., C.C., O.N.S., one of Canada’s most outstanding painters, discusses one of his works on display at Rideau Hall.

Canada AM broadcasts live that day from Rideau Hall: Two of the new recipients, Setsuko Thurlow, C.M., and J. Norgrove Penny, C.M., were up early for an interview with Canada AM host Beverley Thomson.

“Among the qualities that the Order recognizes—besides extraordinary achievements and discoveries—is service to society’s well-being, and the courage to accept and work in the name of truth. These are two very important qualities in leadership!”

Jacques Genest, C.C., G.O.Q., a distinguished scientist and medical researcher, addresses the new recipients and their guests.

THE RECIPIENTS OF THE ORDER OF CANADA — 100TH INVESTITURE CEREMONY — OCTOBER 26, 2007


Third row: Alex S. Janvier, C.M.; The Reverend Michael Gardener, C.M.; Joan Stebbins, C.M.; Howard Engel, C.M.; Paul Fazio, C.M.; Francis A. Plummer, O.C.; J. Norgrove Penny, C.M.; Connie Kaldor, C.M.; William H. New, O.C.; Patrick O’Flaherty, C.M.; Virginia Lehotsky (on behalf of the late Reverend Harry Lehotsky, C.M.); Cyril Max Kay, O.C.; Frances Itani, C.M.
MEMBERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY

During Their Excellencies’ stay at the Citadelle last fall, and as part of their recent visit to the West, they had the privilege of meeting with some members at receptions held in Quebec City, Calgary and Vancouver.

Did You Know?

Over six million people have become Canadian citizens since the first Citizenship Act was passed in 1947. Since 1994, members of the Order of Canada have been invited to preside over or to speak at thousands of citizenship ceremonies held across Canada every year.

If you are interested in volunteering to be part of a ceremony, Citizenship and Immigration Canada will send you an information package with all you need to know. Simply mail your resume to Elena Weybrecht at Citizenship and Immigration Canada, 365 Laurier Avenue West, 14th Floor, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 1L1, fax it to 613-952-5382, or e-mail it to eminent.canadians@cic.gc.ca.

July 1, 2007 — Rideau Hall. The Governor General swore in 48 new citizens from across Canada—31 adults and 17 children—during a special public ceremony, marking the 60th anniversary of Canadian citizenship.

September 16, 2007 — Quebec City. Their Excellencies address members at the 40th anniversary reception at the Citadelle, the Governor General’s official residence in Quebec.


January 23, 2008 — Vancouver. The Governor General meets Dal Murray Richards, C.M., O.B.C., at the members’ reception and congratulates him on his recent 90th birthday.
In a recent online blog, Her Excellency commented on the values of the Order of Canada:

“This Order of Canada ceremony gave us the opportunity to celebrate, for the 100th time, not an elitist ideal of the best among us, but a reflection of the very best in all of us. But how can we cultivate the spirit of excellence, ability to excel and sense of commitment? How do we ensure that these values, knowledge and experiences are passed from generation to generation?”

Their Excellencies created the Citizen Voices Web site as an online place of dialogue where everyone is invited to take part in the forums, blogs, videos and live chats. Join the discussion at www.citizenvoices.gg.ca.

**MENTORSHIP NEWS**

In partnership with Youth In Motion’s Top 20 Under 20 / 20 ados avec brio program, 20 young Canadians are currently being selected to participate in a year-long online mentorship with 20 members of the Order of Canada.

If you are interested in becoming a future Order of Canada mentor, please contact: John Freamo, Program Officer 1-800-465-6890 jfreamo@gg.ca.

20 mentors + 20 youths = 40 Sources of Inspiration

**The Order of Canada Team at Your Service!**

For 40 years, the Chancellery of Honours of the Office of the Secretary to the Governor General has administered the Canadian Honours System—a system that celebrates the achievements of Canadians, their acts of bravery and their distinguished service to fellow citizens and humanity in general. In addition, the Chancellery’s mission is to safeguard Canadian honours through the application of merit, non-partisanship, accessibility and representation.

Every day, the Order of Canada team works together on all aspects of the nomination process, from researching candidates to writing citations for new appointees, and from preparing insignias and certificates to answering the public’s questions about the Order. We also promote the Order of Canada in communities across our nation, and help ensure that excellence and outstanding lifetime achievement continue to be the hallmarks of membership in the Order of Canada.

Gabrielle Lappa, Director of Honours
NEW APPOINTMENTS

Her Excellency the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean, Governor General of Canada, announced 62 new appointments to the Order of Canada on December 28, 2007.

Companions of the Order of Canada

The Honourable Louise Arbour, C.C.
For her contributions to the Canadian justice system and for her dedication to the advancement of human rights throughout the world.

Michael Snow, C.C.
For his contributions to international visual arts as one of Canada’s greatest multidisciplinary contemporary artists. This is a promotion within the Order.

Margaret Southern, C.C., L.V.O., A.O.E.
For her continued leadership and service as a volunteer and philanthropist, notably in the areas of professional and amateur sport. This is a promotion within the Order.

Officers of the Order of Canada

Marie Chouinard, O.C.
For her contributions to modern dance as an internationally renowned dancer and choreographer.

David A. Dodge, O.C.
For his contributions to public service, notably for his leadership in Canadian monetary policy.

Richard (Rick) L., George, O.C.
For his leadership in the development of Canada’s natural resources sector, for his efforts to provide economic opportunities to Aboriginal communities, and for his commitment to sustainable development.

Deborah Grey, O.C.
For her distinguished record of public service and for her advocacy on behalf of youth and education, as a foster parent, teacher, parliamentarian and public speaker.

Clara Hughes, O.C., O.M.
For her achievements in sport, notably as Canada’s only athlete to win medals at both the summer and winter Olympic Games, and for her contributions as an engaged and influential humanitarian.

Douglas Gordon (D.G.) Jones, O.C.
For his contributions to Canadian literature as an influential poet, mentor, editor and translator.

The Honourable E. Leo Kolber, O.C.
For his wide-ranging contributions to Canadian society as a businessman, philanthropist and volunteer.

Donat Lacroix, O.C.
For his contributions to the promotion of Acadian culture and traditions, through his songs and poetry.

Jean Lemire, O.C.
For his contributions, as a filmmaker and biologist, to raising public awareness of key environmental issues, notably the vulnerability of marine and polar ecosystems.

Joanne MacDonald, O.C., O.N.L.
For her contributions as an elite wheelchair athlete, and for her efforts as a social activist committed to improving accessibility for disabled persons and to making Canada more inclusive.

Grant Munro, O.C.
For his innovative contributions in the fields of animation and filmmaking throughout his 45-year career with the National Film Board of Canada.

Stephen (Steve) Nash, O.C., O.B.C.
For his charitable and humanitarian work, notably as the founder of the Steve Nash Foundation, as well as for his outstanding career as a professional basketball player.

Alex Neve, O.C.
For his leadership in the field of human rights at the national and international levels, notably through Amnesty International Canada.

Adrienne Pieczonka, O.C.
For her contributions as one of the top opera singers of her generation and as an artistic ambassador for Canada.

Richard J. Puddephatt, O.C.
For his contributions to the advancement of organometallic chemistry, as well as for his inspirational leadership of generations of researchers.

Muriel Smith, O.C.
For her efforts in promoting social justice in Canada and around the world, notably as a leader and as a long-time volunteer with local, national and international organizations.

Steven Staryk, O.C.
For his contributions as a musician, concertmaster and teacher, and as one of Canada’s most-recorded violinists.

Lawrence M. (Larry) Tanenbaum, O.C.
For his contributions as a businessman, volunteer and philanthropist, notably in the field of medical research in Canada.

Jeff Wall, O.C.
For his contributions as an influential art photographer whose work has been exhibited around the world, and for his mentorship of a generation of young artists.

Members of the Order of Canada

Garry W. Anderson, C.M.
For his contributions to heritage conservation, notably as the driving force behind the creation of the Canadian Museum of Rail Travel and the Cranbrook Archives, Museum and Landmark Foundation.

Tony Aspler, C.M.
For his contributions as a leading authority on Canadian wines who has been key to the development of the Canadian wine industry.

Peter Aucoin, C.M.
For his contributions as a leading political scientist and advisor to government bodies, specializing in the areas of public administration and political governance.

Larry Audlaluk, C.M.
For his contributions as a leader and ambassador for Grise Fiord, the world’s northernmost civilian community.

John Barron, C.M.
For his contributions to music education and choral development for young people in Canada.

Margaret Becklake, C.M.
For her pioneering work in respiratory medicine and epidemiology, and for her research on the occupational and environmental determinants of lung diseases.

Carol Gay Bell, C.M.
For her contributions as an artistic director who has promoted and developed young actors, singers and dancers in Saskatchewan.

Hélène-Andrée Bizier, C.M.
For her contributions to promoting Quebec’s history and culture through her books and multimedia products.

Thea Borlase, C.M.
For her contributions to culture in New Brunswick, particularly for her role in developing artists from the province’s two cultural and linguistic communities.

Peter G. Buckland, C.M.
For his contributions as a pre-eminent civil engineer, notably in the field of bridge design, construction and rehabilitation.

Michael Clague, C.M.
For his contributions and commitment to social planning and action, particularly in Vancouver’s Downtown Eastside.

Armand de Mestral, C.M.
For his contributions to teaching and to the development of Canadian constitutional law and international economic law.

Marcien Ferland, C.M.
For his contributions to the preservation and promotion of the Franco-Manitoban and Métis cultures, as choir director, composer and founder of the Chorale des Intérieux.

Mallory Gilbert, C.M.
For her contributions to the success of Toronto’s Tarragon Theatre, and for helping foster a vibrant national theatre scene.

Frieda Granot, C.M.
For her contributions as a leader, role model and catalyst for change in the areas of university administration and graduate studies.

Walter Gretzky, C.M., O.Ont.
For his contributions to minor hockey in Canada, and for his dedication to helping a myriad of local, provincial and national charities.

Valerie Hussey, C.M.
For her contributions to the development of Canadian children’s fiction and non-fiction as head of a major children’s publishing house, and for her work as a dedicated volunteer with industry and non-profit organizations.

John E. (Jack) Irving, C.M.
For his contributions throughout the Atlantic region to economic development and to philanthropic support of education and the arts.
Antoine Landry, C.M.
For his contributions to the development of New Brunswick’s Acadian communities, and for his leading role in the development of the Village Historique Acadien.

The Honourable Patrick J. LeSage, C.M.
For his contributions to the Ontario judiciary, notably as Chief Justice of the Superior Court of Ontario, and for his ongoing dedication to public service.

Karen Letofsky, C.M.
For her professional and voluntary contributions to suicide prevention in Canada, including the development of community-based assistance programs for people at risk or in distress.

The Honourable René J. Marin, C.M., O.M.M., O.Ont., C.D.
For his contributions to the promotion and development of the Franco-Ontarian community, and to the increased use of French in the administration of the Ontario justice system.

Richard P. (Dick) North, C.M.
For his ongoing commitment to the preservation and promotion of the history of the Yukon territory, as an author, journalist and historian.

Patricia O’Connor, C.M.
For her contributions to the field of paramedic care in the North, as the founder, owner and operator of a medical air evacuation service in the Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

Irene E. Pfieffer, C.M.
For her contributions as a dedicated volunteer who has shared her knowledge and leadership abilities with many regional and national organizations.

Kenneth F. Poyser, C.M.
For his lifelong dedication to improving the lives of those living with hemophilia in Canada and abroad.

Derek A. Price, C.M.
For his contributions in the area of philanthropy, notably as the former chief executive officer of one of Canada’s largest philanthropic organizations.

Bruce Pullan, C.M.
For his contributions to the development of singers of all ages, as a professor of music and as a founder and director of numerous choirs.

Ray V. Rajotte, C.M., A.O.E., M.S.M.
For his contributions and leadership in diabetes research, notably to islet transplantation, and for his mentorship of generations of medical researchers.

Joseph Schatzker, C.M.
For his contributions to orthopaedic surgery, particularly for introducing surgical procedures for the internal fixation of fractures to North American surgeons.

Michael D. Scott, C.M.
For his contributions as a business leader in the logistics industry, and for his dedicated service to and support of the Scouting movement in Canada.

Yoshio Senda, C.M.
For his contributions to the development and expansion of judo in Canada, as a coach, mentor and role model for more than five decades.

Paul Shaffer, C.M.
For his contributions as an internationally renowned musician who has also shared his time and talents with educational, health care and arts groups, notably as a supporter of Epilepsy Canada, the Kiwanis Music Festivals of Canada and Lakehead University.

Douglas A. Smith, C.M.
For his contributions as a business leader, philanthropist and champion of economic and community development in northern Ontario.

Sister Margaret Smith, C.M.
For her contributions as a health care executive and as an innovator who brought new programs to northern Ontario that greatly improved the delivery of health care and social services in that region.

Jeffrey Spalding, C.M.
For his contributions as a champion of Canadian artists, notably as a curator who has developed popular exhibitions that have attracted new audiences to Canadian art galleries.

T. Kenneth Thorlakson, C.M.
For his contributions as a volunteer and fundraiser dedicated to the preservation and promotion of Icelandic heritage and culture in Manitoba.

Sister Margaret Vickers, C.M.
For her contributions to improving health care for Canadians, notably in New Brunswick, where she introduced innovative hospital services that benefited patients and their families.

Anne Wieler, C.M.
For her contributions as a nurse, educator and administrator who worked tirelessly to improve health care in Canada’s North and throughout the world.

Richard B. Wright, C.M.
For his contributions as a writer of modern fiction, whose many novels, including the award-winning Clara Callan, have enriched Canadian literature.

ORDER OF CANADA PASSAGES

In 2007, we saw the passing of a number of members—exceptional Canadians who made lasting contributions to this country. They will be greatly missed.

The Honourable Charles Philippe Leblond, C.C., G.O.Q.
The Honourable Gerald Eric Le Dain, C.C.
The Right Honourable Antonio Lamer, P.C., C.C., C.D.
Sol Kanee, O.C., O.M.
Edwin Roper Jarmain, C.M.
Beryl Ivey, C.M.
William Hutt, C.C., O.Ont., M.M.
Edward J. Hughes, C.M., O.B.C.
James Hillier, O.C.
John Green, C.M.
J. Peter Gordon, O.C.
John Green, C.M.
The Honourable Jacques Hébert, O.C.
James H. Gauthier, O.C.
David Adams, O.C.
Norman Z. Alcock, C.M.
Doris H. Anderson, C.C.
Bluma Appel, O.C., O.Ont.
Margaret Avison, O.C.
André Béarnard, C.M.
Laurent Bélanger, C.M., O.Ont.
Agnès Benidickson, C.C., O.Ont.
Daniel E. Bergsagel, C.M.
Munique Bosco, C.M.
Vernon C. Brink, O.C., O.B.C.
Paul Brodie, O.C., M.M.
Clarence B. (Shorty) Brown, C.M.
Anne Burrows, C.M.
Michael H. Cain, C.M., C.Q.
June Callwood, C.C., O.Ont.
Ross Campbell, O.C.
Robert Harry Clark, O.C.
Louis William Collins, C.M.
Lyle Creelman, O.C.
Jacques Dalibard, C.M.
Ken Danby, C.M., O.Ont.
Art Dixon, C.M.
Laura Dodson, C.M.
Tibor Fehereghyhazi, C.M.
Jack T.H. Fenety, C.M.
Paul Wesley Fox, O.C.
Celia Franca, C.C., O.Ont.
Rowland C. Fraize, C.C.
Hs Eminence Edouard Cardinal Gagnon, O.C.
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Edgar Joseph LeRoux, O.C.
Oskar Morawetz, C.M., O.Ont.
Audrey Atrill Morrice, C.M., A.O.E.
Norval Morrisseau, C.M.
Mitarjuk Attassie Naappaluk, C.M.
Sister V. Ann Nolan, C.M.
Christine F. Nornabell, C.M.
Wilfred L. Notley, C.M.
Myfanwy Spencer Pavelec, C.M.
Lewis Perinbam, O.C.
Oscar E. Peterson, C.C., C.C., O.Ont.
Samuel P.S. Pollock, O.C.
John Edward Poole, O.C., A.O.E.
Alfred Pows, O.C.
The Reverend Louis Joseph Quinn, C.M.
Donald Allan Ramsay, C.M.
Harry Rasky, C.M., O.Ont.
Douglas Riley, C.M.
Joseph D. Robertson, C.M.
Jane Vance Riley, C.M., O.B.C.
Ian E. Rusted, O.C.
Percy P. Saltzman, C.M.
Chief Samuel Sam, C.M.
William Lawrence Sauder, O.C., O.B.C.
Ricky Kanee Schachter, C.M.
Theodore F. Schaefer, C.M.
Harold Snyder, O.C.
Jean MacMillan Southam, C.M.
Robert Stollery, C.M.
Edith Strauss, C.M.
Donald Dougans Tansley, C.M.
John Hebdon Todd, C.M.
The Honourable Bertha Wilson, C.C.
Peter Wing, C.M., O.B.C.
Miriam Winston, C.M.
Sydney Francis Wise, O.C.
W. Robert Wyman, C.M.
Joseph Zatzman, C.M.
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