Celebrating EXCELLENCE!



Winter 2015

As Sharon and I look back on 2014, we take great pride in the many meaningful experiences we shared with Canadians.

We marked several important milestones in our nation's history, among them the 150th anniversaries of the Charlottetown and Québec conferences, the 100th anniversary of the beginning of the First World War, and the 75th anniversary of the beginning of the Second World War. We were also proud to build on the momentum of My Giving Moment with the November launch of the Dare2Give challenge, which encourages everyone to make a difference through gifts of time, talents or treasure.

At events across the country and around the world, we were honoured to share experiences with Order of Canada recipients and to share their accomplishments with others. And we were delighted to welcome new members to our evergrowing family.

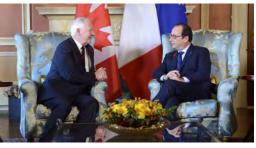
We are also excited that 2015 is the Year of Sport in Canada, and we are inviting all Canadians to get fit and stay active. After all, sports and physical activity improve our lives in so many ways. They enhance our health and well-being, help us build teamwork skills, and can foster a sense of personal achievement. Of course, one cannot lose sight of the fun as well!

There is much to look forward to. We hope that this will be the year that we unlock the potential of the Order of Canada community. Individually you have done so much to build a stronger, fairer and more just nation. By working together, we can be a network for change. It is about thinking of your membership in the Order of Canada as a threshold to even greater contributions to a better country.

Finally, we would like to challenge you, in 2015, to celebrate your fellow Canadians and inspire them to accomplish great things. Submit nominations for those whose efforts are making Canada a better place for all its people. Wear your lapel pin not only for yourself, but to show others the pride you have in being Canadian. Share your example of service with the country so that we may learn from you.

With your help, 2015 can be a year of prosperity and activity, a year where Order of Canada recipients—and all Canadians—can proudly say that we not only desire a better country, but we will also work hard to achieve that dream every day.

His Excellency the Right Honourable **David Johnston, C.C., C.M.M., C.O.M., C.D.** Governor General of Canada



The Governor General met with His Excellency François Hollande, President of the French Republic, at Rideau Hall on November 3, 2014, during his State visit to Canada.



Their Excellencies, joined by Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal and Vice Admiral Sir Tim Laurence, attended the National Remembrance Day Ceremony at the National War Memorial on November 11, 2014.



Their Excellencies were greeted by children waving Canadian and Colombian flags during their visit to Colombia on December 7, 2014.

ORDER OF CANADA INVESTITURE CEREMONIES

September 12, 2014, at Rideau Hall



Front row (left to right): Danielle Juteau, C.M.; Kari Polyani Levitt, C.M.; Djavad Mowafajian, C.M.; Antony Holland, C.M.; Murray Schafer, C.C.; Marie Deschamps, C.C.; His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, C.C.; Her Excellency Sharon Johnston, C.C.; Richard Cruess, C.C.; James Hugessen, C.M.; Jack Long, C.M.; Margie Gillis, O.C.; Tom Traves, C.M.; James Borcoman, C.M.

Second row: Dempsey Bob, O.C.; Tony Belcourt, O.C.; Laure Waridel, C.M.; Mary Hofstetter, C.M.; Carmen Campagne, C.M.; Alex Campbell, O.C.; Salim Yusuf, O.C.; Edward Chamberlin, O.C.; Peter Tugwell, O.C.; Stephen Carpenter, C.M.; William Waters, C.M.; David Smith, O.C.; John Daniel, O.C.; Denise Clarke, C.M.; Bob McPhee, C.M.

Third row: Yvon Dumont, C.M.; Paul-Andre Fortier, O.C.; Shirley Blumberg, C.M.; James Weisberger, O.C.; Rina Arseneault, C.M.; John McArthur, O.C.; Gaston Bellemare, C.M.; Michael Brown, C.M.; Morley Hanson, C.M.; Murray Angus, C.M.; Jim Munro, C.M.; Mahmoud Shoukri, C.M.; Paul Cantor, C.M.

Back row: Nigel Fisher, O.C.; Paul Gobeil, C.M.; Eric Sprott, C.M.; Paul Cavaluzzo, C.M.; Bob Harding, C.M.

November 21, 2014, at Rideau Hall



Front row (left to right): Nancy Jane Hermiston, O.C.; Michel Robert, O.C.; Frances Cutler, O.C.; Michael Bliss, O.C.; Sylvain Lafrance, C.M.; Margaret McCain, C.C.; His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, C.C.; Her Excellency

Sharon Johnston, C.C.; John de Chastelain, C.C.; Keren Rice, O.C.; Joseph Macerollo, O.C.; Daniel Ish, O.C.; Eleanor Collins, C.M. and

Second row: Colm Feore, O.C.; Albert Schultz, C.M.; Dennis Cochrane, C.M.; Gordon Barnhart, C.M.; Murray Costello, O.C.; Michael Rudnicki, O.C.; Lucinda Flemer, C.M.; Eddie Goldenberg, C.M.; Michael Goldbloom, C.M.; Marie-Josée Turcotte, C.M.; Daniel Smith, O.C.; Marie-Eva de Villers, C.M.; Robert Silverman, C.M.; Louis Audet, C.M.; Hartley Richardson, O.C.

Third row: Phil Dwyer, C.M.; Ross Porter, C.M.; Glenn Pushelberg, O.C.; George Yabu, O.C.; Peter Gilgan, C.M.; Bramwell Tovey, O.C.; Murray Edwards, C.M.; Marc Dutil, C.M.; Francine Lelievre, C.M.; Eliot Phillipson, O.C.; Philip Gosling, C.M.; Barbara Reid, C.M.; Jeanne Beker, C.M.; Patrick Lane, C.M.

Bernard Grandmaitre, C.M.

ORDER OF CANADA PASSAGES

Throughout 2014, we saw the passing of a number of members of the Order, exceptional Canadians who made contributions to this country.

They will be remembered.

Companions

Jean Béliveau, C.C.

Claude Bertrand, C.C.

Jean Sutherland Boggs, C.C.

H. Reuben Cohen, C.C., O.N.B.

Purdy Crawford, C.C.

Mavis Gallant, C.C.

The Right Honourable Herbert Eser Gray, P.C., C.C.

Brian Macdonald, C.C.

Claire Martin, C.C., O.Q.

Officers

Angèle Arsenault, O.C.

Paul Georges Buissonneau, O.C.

G. Raymond Chang, O.C.

Peter Desbarats, O.C.

William Feindel, O.C.

Yves O. Fortier, O.C.

E. Margaret Fulton, O.C.

Marjolaine Hébert, O.C.

Raymond O. Heimbecker, O.C.

Roderick Alexander Macdonald, O.C.

Hartland M. MacDougall, O.C.

J. Ross Mackay, O.C.

Alistair MacLeod, O.C.

Arthur W. May, O.C.

Farley McGill Mowat, O.C.

Knowlton Nash, O.C.

Bruce Phillips, O.C.

Joseph Plaskett, O.C.

John Brian Patrick (Pat) Quinn, O.C., O.B.C.

Dennis C. Smith, O.C.

Alec T. Stewart, O.C.

Liliane M. Stewart, O.C., O.Q.

Roger F. Tomlinson, O.C.

Vincent Massey Tovell, O.C.

Marc-Adélard Tremblay, O.C.

Erich W. Vogt, O.C., O.B.C.

Kenny Wheeler, O.C.

Lynn R. Williams, O.C.

Clifford Wright, O.C., S.O.M.

Members

David J. Azrieli, C.M.

Barbara Bettine Barrett, C.M., O.N.L.

John Barron, C.M.

Molly Lamb Bobak, C.M., O.N.B.

The Reverend Charles R. Catto, C.M.

Elizabeth Comper, C.M.

Pierre Côté, C.M.

Walter Curlook, C.M.

Rolf Duschenes, C.M.

Monique Duval, C.M.

R. Michael Eaton, C.M.

Robert P. Engle, C.M.

Bernard Etkin, C.M.

Sorel Etrog, C.M.

Paul Fazio, C.M.

George Gate, C.M.

James H. Graham, C.M.

Andrea Hansen-Jorgensen, C.M.

Peter Harcourt, C.M.

Gerald Gordon Hatch, C.M.

Gilles Houde, C.M.

Edward (Ted) Irving, C.M.

Mary Irene Patricia Jolliffe, C.M.

Zbigniew Kabata, C.M.

Patrick J. Keenan, C.M., O.Ont.

Ely Kish, C.M.

Krishna Kumar, C.M., S.O.M.

Gilles Latulippe, C.M.

Beatrice Cecile Leinbach, C.M.

Jean Loiselle, C.M.

Hugh Allan (Buddy) MacMaster, C.M., O.N.S.

Mary Majka, C.M., O.N.B.

Judith Mappin, C.M.

Edward E. McNally, C.M.

Alexander Meisels, C.M.

André Paquette, C.M.

George T. Richardson, C.M., O.M.

Harold S. Robinson, C.M.

Sheila Rose, C.M.

Frederick J. Ross, C.M., O.N.B.

Gérard Saint-Cyr, C.M., O.N.B.

Barbara Scott, C.M.

Shirley Sharzer, C.M.

Erik John Spicer, C.M., C.D.

Peter Stursberg, C.M.

Margaret W. Thompson, C.M.

Alex Van Bibber, C.M.

Vi Milstead Warren, C.M.

David Black Weldon, C.M.

Val Werier, C.M., O.M.

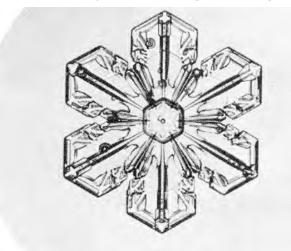
Henry Woo, C.M.

This list was compiled from information received by the Chancellery of Honours on or before December 16, 2014.

THE STORY OF THE SNOWFLAKE: HOW THE INSIGNIA WAS DESIGNED

The now familiar snowflake design of the Order of Canada insignia has come to gain a certain patina and character with the passage of nearly 50 years. Over this time its nature as a pre-eminent symbol of outstanding achievement has only been enhanced by the more than 6 000 Canadians appointed to the Order since 1967.

How a snowflake came to be adopted as the overall symbol of the Order has much to do with our northern climate and the unique characteristics of frozen precipitation. Early on in the project to establish the Order of Canada, Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson (C.C., 1968) enlisted the assistance of his Parliamentary secretary, John R. Matheson (O.C., 1993). A keen student of heraldry, Matheson had played a central role in the adoption of a new national flag in 1965. Along with former Governor General Vincent Massey (C.C., 1967), Esmond Butler (O.C., 1986) and Michael Pitfield (O.C., 2012), Matheson worked on the mechanics of establishing a national honour. For design advice, Pearson secretly enlisted the artistic skills of Bruce Beatty (C.M., 1990), a graphic designer and RCAF flight sergeant.





Nakaya, Ukichiro (1954). Snow Crystals: Natural and Artificial. Harvard University Press. ISBN 978-0-674-81151-5.

Photo: Sgt Ronald Duchesne © Rideau Hall

The idea for a snowflake came almost simultaneously from two separate sources. On November 25, 1966, while walking down Elgin Street in Ottawa on a snowy afternoon, Beatty was struck by the idea of a snowflake as the shape the insignia should take. Matheson, too, had been working on the symbolism of the soon-to-be-created honour. He was chatting with External Affairs diplomat John Halstead (C.M., 1996), who suggested a snowflake in place of the northern star Matheson was keen on using. Matheson was immediately enthralled with the concept and turned to the Library of Parliament for assistance. Researchers obtained a copy of Ukichiro Nakaya's *Snow Crystals: Natural and Artificial*, which contains an extensive study of all snow crystals. From this catalogue of snowflakes, diagram P1B was chosen as the shape of the insignia. Beatty then set to work transforming a photo taken through a microscope into a formal design.

The symbolism of the snowflake was ideal. It represented the Canadian climate and strength as a nation. Furthermore, like every snowflake, each recipient of the Order was considered unique. Prior to Christmas 1966, Beatty submitted three separate designs to Pearson for consideration. Governor General Georges Vanier was also consulted and, on March 21, 1967, Her Majesty The Queen approved the design.

Like all other national honours established since 1967, the Order's insignia includes two other familiar elements: the Royal Crown, symbolizing the Queen of Canada as the fount of all honours, and the Maple Leaf, a universally recognized symbol of Canada since before Confederation.

While there was much discussion about what shape the Order should take, one design element which elicited precious little debate was the ribbon. Pearson directed that its colours and proportions be taken from the Maple Leaf flag. The motto of the Order, DESIDERANTES MELIOREM PATRIAM ("they desire a better country"), was chosen by Matheson, following a speech on international affairs given by the Reverend Herbert O'Driscoll. The phrase, taken from the Old Testament's Hebrews 11:16, coupled with the other symbolic elements, have come to embody a truly iconic symbol of Canada's identity and the exemplary achievements of its people.

Originally the insignia were made by the Crown Jewellers Garrard & Co., in London. Around the same time that the Constitution was patriated in 1982, it was decided to have the insignia of the Order crafted in Canada. Over the following three decades a variety of Canadian firms produced the insignia. Following a painstaking development process, the Royal Canadian Mint commenced production on the honour, blending the latest in technological advances with craftsmanship of the highest order.

Dr. Christopher McCreery, M.V.O.

from: The Order of Canada: Its Origins, History and Development (University of Toronto Press)

PRIVATE INVESTITURE CEREMONIES

Roy Shephard, C.M.



On September 24, 2014, Her Honour the Honourable Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, presented the insignia of Member of the Order of Canada to Dr. Roy Shephard, during a private ceremony at Squamish City Hall, in Squamish, British Columbia. Dr. Shephard was recognized for his pioneering work in the field of exercise science and for promoting the health benefits of physical activity to Canadians.

The Right Honourable Donald Mazankowski, P.C., C.C., A.O.E.



On October 25, 2014, His Honour Colonel (Ret'd) the Honourable Donald S. Ethell, Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, presented the insignia of Companion of the Order of Canada to the Right Honourable Donald Mazankowski. The private ceremony took place at Government House, in Edmonton, Alberta. Mr. Mazankowski was promoted within the Order for his lifetime of public service and for his sustained commitment to improving health policy and education.

Gaétan Gervais, C.M.



On December 5, 2014, Her Honour the Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, presented the insignia of Member of the Order of Canada to Gaétan Gervais, during a ceremony at Greater Sudbury City Hall, in Ontario. Mr. Gervais was honoured for his contributions to the advancement of the French fact in Ontario, notably as a founder of Franco-Ontarian organizations and as a historian.

NEW APPOINTMENTS

On December 26, 2014, His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada, announced 95 new appointments to the Order of Canada.

The appointments listed below are those confirmed at the time of publication.

Companions

James Douglas Fleck, C.C.

For his enduring contributions and strategic leadership as one of Canada's leading arts patrons, and for endowing our national cultural institutions, notably by partnering business with the arts.

This is a promotion within the Order.

Donald Malcolm McRae, C.C.

For his seminal contributions to the law of the sea and to international trade law as a scholar and advocate.

Richard W. Pound, C.C., O.Q.

For his contributions as a champion of fairness in sport and of the Olympic spirit, as well as for his engagement in civic, legal and educational causes.

This is a promotion within the Order.

Officers

Albert Bandura, O.C.

For his foundational contributions to social psychology, notably for uncovering the influence of observation on human learning and aggression.

The Honourable Jean-Louis Baudouin, O.C.

For his contributions to the advancement of civil law in Canada as a professor and judge for the Quebec Court of Appeal.

Mark Carney, O.C.

For his leadership in the development of financial policy in Canada and around the world.

Catherine Frazee, O.C.

For her advancement of the rights of persons with disabilities, as an advocate for social justice.

Shaf Keshavjee, O.C.

For his innovative contributions to thoracic surgery, notably in the development of a process that has improved lung transplantation worldwide.

Mark Lautens, O.C.

For his contributions at the forefront of organic chemistry, which have led to the creation of new medicinal compounds with fewer side effects.

Wendy Levinson, O.C.

For her contributions to promoting effective communication between physicians and patients, as well as for her sustained leadership in academic medicine.

Norman Emilio Marcon, O.C.

For his contributions to the treatment of gastrointestinal diseases and for his work to disseminate the latest advances in therapeutic endoscopy.

James Rodger Miller, O.C., S.O.M.

For his even-handed and definitive scholarship on the history of relations between Canada's Aboriginal peoples and its settlers.

The Honourable Peter Milliken, P.C., O.C.

For his public service and for his commitment to parliamentary democracy as Canada's longest-serving speaker of the House of Commons.

Julio Montaner, O.C.

For his contributions to establishing the global standard of care for HIV/ AIDS treatment, and for his leadership in the international HIV/AIDS research community.

Nancy Margaret Reid, O.C.

For her leadership in the field of statistical inference, which has helped to facilitate sound public policy decision making.

Eleanor Wachtel, O.C.

For connecting Canadian readers with the worldwide literary community and for her insightful contributions to our appreciation of contemporary literature.

This is a promotion within the Order.

Members

Caroline Andrew, C.M.

For her academic research on cultural diversity, and on urban and feminist studies, and for her civic involvement with non-profit and community-based organizations.

Jean-Pierre Andrieux, C.M.

For his contributions as an author and collector who is dedicated to preserving the maritime history of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Honourable Jacob Austin, P.C., C.M., O.B.C.

For his public service and for his work in advancing Canada's foreign trade relations, notably within the Asia-Pacific region.

Baidar Bakht, C.M.

For his contributions to the improvement of bridge design and for his scholarship in making Urdu poetry accessible for Canadian audiences.

Denis Brott, C.M.

For his achievements as a cellist and pedagogue, and for his role in establishing the Canada Council for the Arts Musical Instrument Bank.

Lisa Brown, C.M., M.S.M.

For her contributions to both the arts community and to mental health advocacy as the president and artistic executive director of Workman Arts.

Wally Buono, C.M.

For his contributions to football as a player, coach and manager.

Peter Calamai, C.M.

For his achievements as a science journalist and for his contributions to the cause of literacy.

Christina Stuart Cameron, C.M.

For her contributions to heritage preservation through her work with Parks Canada, with UNESCO's World Heritage Convention, and as a university professor.

Wendy Marion Cecil, C.M.

For her accomplishments as a business leader and for her extensive community engagement.

Brenda Clark, C.M.

For her contributions as an illustrator, notably as the artist behind Franklin the Turtle, and for her support of literacy.

Robert Cecil Cole, C.M.

For enhancing the hockey experience for generations of Canadians with his analysis and spirited announcing as one of Canada's most iconic voices in sports broadcasting.

Tim Cook, C.M.

For his contributions to promoting Canada's military history as an author, researcher and curator.

George Cope, C.M.

For his leadership in corporate social responsibility, particularly in the area of mental health, and for his contributions to the telecommunications industry.

Robert W. Cox, C.M.

For his contributions to the field of international relations as one of Canada's foremost scholars in the area of political economy.

A. Gordon Craig, C.M.

For his pioneering contributions to sports broadcasting and for his dedication to the Canadian television industry.

John W. Crichton, C.M.

For his contributions to the safety and efficiency of air transportation in Canada, notably as the founding CEO of NAV CANADA.

Conrad Charles Daellenbach, C.M.

For popularizing classical music, notably as a founder of the Canadian Brass, one of our nation's most internationally renowned classical music groups.

Patrick Dolan Darrah, C.M., O.N.B.

For his contributions to the construction industry and for volunteering with educational, health care and athletic initiatives in his province.

Michael DeGagné, C.M., O.Ont.

For his support of residential school survivors and First Nations communities, notably as the head of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation.

Jean-Guy Desjardins, C.M.

For his contributions to the financial sector as a portfolio management entrepreneur.

Alba DiCenso, C.M.

For her research in evidence-based nursing and for her contributions to the development of nurse practitioners.

Edgar J. Dosman, C.M.

For his studies in Latin American history and politics, and for his role in advancing academic and cultural ties within our hemisphere.

Joanne M. Sullivan Douglas, C.M.

For her contributions to the profession of obstetrical anesthesia, making childbirth safer for women and newborns.

Barry V. Downs, C.M.

For his contributions as an architect who creates spaces that meld buildings with their natural surroundings.

Louise Dupré, C.M.

For her contributions to Quebec literature as a poet, novelist, playwright, essayist and professor.

Simon Durivage, C.M.

For his contributions as a highly respected journalist-news anchor and television program host.

Kappy Flanders, C.M., M.S.M.

For her commitment to the causes of palliative care and public education, as well as for her extensive civic engagement.

Charles Foran, C.M.

For his acclaimed work as a literary journalist, biographer and novelist, and for his staunch support of Canadian writers.

Julia E. Foster, C.M.

For her voluntary service in promoting the arts and Canadian culture.

Raymonde Gagné, C.M., O.M.

For her contributions to the development of French-language post-secondary education in her province, notably as president of Université Saint-Boniface.

Brenda Louise Gallie, C.M.

For her contributions to the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of retinoblastoma, a childhood eye cancer.

Serge Gauthier, C.M.

For his contributions to advancing our understanding of Alzheimer's disease and dementia, and for fostering research networks in his specialty.

The Honourable Aurélien Gill, C.M., C.Q.

For promoting and defending the interests of First Nations, particularly the Innu Nation.

James K. Gordon, C.M.

For his long-standing contributions to the economic and social development of the city of Sudbury.

The Honourable William C. Graham, P.C., C.M.

For his many contributions to Canadian politics.

John Grew, C.M.

For bringing new vitality to organ music in Canada as a performer and educator.

Christophe Guy, C.M., O.Q.

For his achievements as a chemical engineering professor and researcher and as a university administrator.

Thomas Jon Harle, C.M., C.D.

For his commitment to providing free dental services to homeless and vulnerable people in Ottawa and in developing countries.

Frank Hasenfratz, C.M.

For his contributions to Canada's manufacturing industry and for his philanthropic initiatives.

Adèle M. Hurley, C.M.

For her commitment to the conservation and the protection of Canada's natural resources.

Joan F. Ivory, C.M.

For her unwavering commitment to the health care, cultural and educational sectors of Montréal.

Patrick Johnston, C.M.

For his contributions to the charitable sector as an innovator who develops more effective giving strategies for organizations.

John G. Kelton, C.M.

For his research into blood cell disorders and for his contributions to making Hamilton a hub for health science research.

Sheldon Kennedy, C.M.

For his courageous leadership in raising awareness of childhood sexual abuse and for his continued efforts to prevent abuse in schools, sports and communities.

Laurence Klotz, C.M.

For his contributions to the treatment of prostate cancer, notably for leading the adoption of active surveillance as a standard aspect of patient care.

Chantal Kreviazuk, C.M. and Raine Maida, C.M.

For their achievements as Canadian musicians and for their extensive charitable and humanitarian work.

Normand Laprise, C.M., O.Q.

For contributing to the development of Quebec cuisine as an innovative chef and mentor.

John Barker Lawson, C.M.

For his transformative contributions as a volunteer in support of many of Toronto's most important music ensembles and arts organizations.

Suzie LeBlanc, C.M.

For contributing to the development of early-period music and Acadian culture as a singer and teacher.

Grégoire Legendre, C.M.

For contributing to the cultural and musical development of his city, notably as director of the Opéra de Québec.

Jens Lindemann, C.M.

For his skill as a world-renowned trumpet soloist, and for his support of Canadian musicians and music students.

Keith MacLellan, C.M.

For his contributions to advancing rural medicine in Canada as a small-town family physician and as a driving force behind the Society of Rural Physicians of Canada.

Michael I. M. MacMillan, C.M.

For his tireless promotion of our cinematic talent and for his commitment to enhancing civic engagement in Canada.

Thomas J. Marrie, C.M.

For his contributions as an expert in infectious diseases, as a medical educator, and as dean of medicine for both Dalhousie University and the University of Alberta.

John G. McAvity, C.M.

For his contributions to preserving Canada's cultural heritage, notably

through his long-standing role as executive director of the Canadian Museums Association

Susan McGrath, C.M.

For her contributions to research and policy on refugee rights and for fostering collaboration among scholars in her field.

Jeremy Nichol McNeil, C.M.

For his contributions to the study of reproductive biology in insects and for his dedication to increasing public appreciation of science.

The Honourable Michael A. Meighen, C.M.

For his contributions to public life as a lawyer, politician and philanthropist.

Robert Mellin, C.M.

For his contributions to preserving and restoring Newfoundland's built architecture and for his publications that have made modern architecture more accessible to a wider audience.

Diane Morin, C.M.

For her contributions to the study of psychology and for her support of those affected by intellectual disabilities and behaviour disorders.

Russell J. Morrison, C.M.

For his pioneering contributions to Canada's investment industry and for his philanthropy in education and community-building initiatives.

Peter Ernest Murdoch, C.M.

For his contributions to the economic development of the northern regions of Quebec as a driving force behind the cooperative movement.

Dan Needles, C.M.

For celebrating our rural communities as the playwright of the much-loved Wingfield Farm series, and for championing the dramatic arts outside of Canada's major centres.

Cal Nichols, C.M.

For his contributions to the business and civic sectors in Edmonton, notably as a supporter of a wide variety of community causes.

John Palmer, C.M.

For his contributions to the regulation of Canada's financial institutions and for his role in establishing the Toronto Leadership Centre.

Charles E. Pascal, C.M.

For his public service and for his contributions to public education in Canada, notably in the field of early childhood development.

Michael Phillips, C.M.

For his contributions to the prevention of suicide in China and for his engagement in international mental health initiatives.

Ervin Podgorsak, C.M.

For his contributions to the field of medical physics, notably in the development of new techniques and protocols for radiation oncology.

John R. Porter, C.M., C.Q.

For his contributions to museology and to developing a greater understanding of Quebec art.

Gary Slaight, C.M.

For his achievements as a business leader and for his generosity in the development of emerging artists.

H. Olav Slaymaker, C.M.

For advancing the field of geology, notably through his research on landform evolution.

Robyn Tamblyn, C.M.

For her contributions to patient safety, notably through her research on physician training, health system monitoring and prescription drug management.

Jean-Claude Tardif, C.M.

For his contributions to health care and to the advancement of cardiology research.

Lorraine Vaillancourt, C.M.

For her contributions to modern music as a conductor, professor and pianist.

Eric Robert Walters, C.M.

For his contributions as an author of literature for children and young adults whose stories help young readers grapple with complex social issues.

H. Bruce Williams, C.M.

For his contributions to the practice of plastic surgery, particularly for helping burn victims as well as young people with congenital abnormalities.

Catherine Zahn, C.M.

For her contributions as a neurologist, health care administrator and advocate on behalf of those living with mental health and addiction issues.

News from our Members

ORDER OF CANADA ASSOCIATION CONSULTATION

In September 2014, the Governor General wrote to a cross-section of members to seek their advice and input on creating an Order of Canada association. The Chancellery received more than 50 responses; the enthusiasm for this project was evident in the thoughtful ideas on how such a group could be organized and in the personal commitments to help.

There was broad support for a number of initiatives:

- Meeting with other members of the Order of Canada and with the Governor General during his regional visits;
- Discussing themes that are consistent with the motto 'They Desire a Better Country';



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- Promoting the Order of Canada across the country, which would include putting forward high-quality, representative nominations;
- Giving back to youth or individuals who are at the early stages of their careers, to support and strengthen their development; and
- Launching special projects for Canada's 150th anniversary and the Order of Canada's 50th anniversary in 2017.

We would appreciate hearing from you. Would you be interested in participating in an association with other members of the Order of Canada? What projects and initiatives should such a group pursue? Please send your ideas to the Chancellery of Honours at OrdersAdmin@gg.ca.

REMEMBERING JOSEPH ROTMAN, O.C.

It is with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Joseph Rotman, O.C., on January 27, 2015. We feel heavily the loss of his sage advice, extraordinary leadership and generous support, which he provided as a member of the Advisory Council for the Order of Canada since 2008, as chair of the Canada Council for the Arts. Our thoughts are with his family.

At the time of his investiture in March 1995, his citation recognized the successful entrepreneur for "enhancing Canada's educational, cultural, economic, health care and research communities. The Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, the University of Toronto and the Toronto Hospital are among the many beneficiaries of his generous leadership and financial support. His tireless work was a major factor in the decision to allow the world-famous Barnes Exhibit to be shown for four months at the Art Gallery of Ontario."



Mr. Joseph Rotman, Chair of the Canada Council for the Arts, delivered a speech during the presentation of the Governor General's Awards in Visual and Media Arts at Rideau Hall, on March 20, 2013.

NEWS FROM THE CHANCELLERY OF HONOURS

A Partnership that Celebrates Canadian Excellence

In 2012, the Chancellery of Honours and the Royal Canadian Mint joined forces to produce the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal to mark the 60th anniversary of Her Majesty's accession to the Throne as Queen of Canada.

This successful collaboration paved the way to creating a new generation of insignia and medals, now being produced with innovative technology and modernized processes, while honouring a tradition of craftsmanship and attention to detail.

Companions, Officers and Members honoured during the most recent Order of Canada investiture ceremony at Rideau Hall were the first to be presented with the complete family of insignia produced by the Mint. "We were all very moved to see this creative partnership come to fruition," said Darcy DeMarsico, Director of Honours, Orders, at the Chancellery of Honours. "The excellence and innovation shown by members of the Order of Canada has been our inspiration in developing this new generation of insignia, and above all, the desire to craft a product worthy of those who will wear it."



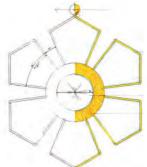






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The technical drawings used by the Mint in this new generation of the insignia were developed by the Canadian Heraldic Authority at the Chancellery of Honours. Manufactured by the Mint at its Ottawa facility, it is struck in fine silver and composed of three individual pieces: the snowflake, annulus and maple leaf. The colour is added by hand through a unique application of opaque and translucent viscous enamel.

"The Royal Canadian Mint has a long history of handcrafting medals to commemorate Canadian achievements and we are proud to continue that tradition with an expanded partnership with the Chancellery of Honours," said Sean Byrne, Vice-President of Operations at the Royal Canadian Mint.

Recognized as one of the largest and most versatile mints in the world, the Mint offers a wide range of specialized, high-quality coinage products and related services on an international scale. Their award-winning team of engravers, engineers and craftspeople have been manufacturing medals, medallions and tokens since the early 1930s, but these are their first enameled insignia.

"These new insignia stay true to the snowflake's proud heritage but take us forward into the order's next 50 years," added Mrs. DeMarsico.



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