

HAMILTON GALLERY
OF DISTINCTION AWARDS
- 2016 -

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PAYMENT

Tickets: \$97.50 each | Corporate Table of 10: \$925.00

Number of tickets: _____

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The Hamilton Gallery of Distinction is a unique institution that exists to recognize and celebrate Hamilton's most distinguished citizens both past and present. In 1984, as part of the Hamilton Home-coming project, the Hamilton Gallery of Distinction was created under the stewardship of a volunteer board of directors. To date, our community has celebrated the accomplishments of 203 (including 2016 inductees) outstanding individuals.

The portraits and biographies of all inductees along with this year's recipients are featured in the Gallery of Distinction display on the third floor of the Hamilton Central Library.

Nominations are received from the general public, and a panel representing the community is convened each year to select inductees.

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AN INVITATION

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AWARDS DINNER



Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Michelangelo Events & Conference Centre
1555 Upper Ottawa Street, Hamilton

Cocktail Reception | 5:30 p.m.

Dinner | 6:30 p.m.

Business Attire

Please join us at the 33rd annual awards dinner to honour Hamilton Gallery of Distinction Inductees for 2016.

The Hamilton Gallery of Distinction Awards Dinner is an evening of recognition at the highest level of honour. The Gallery strives to honour and celebrate prominent individuals both present and past, who through their lifetime achievements have brought outstanding credit to the City of Hamilton.

Please find ticket and order form information on reverse.

PRESENTING THE 2016 HAMILTON GALLERY OF DISTINCTION INDUCTEES



Ardyth Webster Brott

Ardyth Webster Brott is a driving creative force in Hamilton. Born in Dundas, she has committed her life to making Hamilton a richer, more vibrant city.

For 30 years she has served as Executive Director of the Brott Music Festival, leading and shaping one of Hamilton's most important cultural events. An accomplished author of children's books, her bestseller *Jeremy's Decision*, has also been orchestrated and performed by symphonies throughout North America.

She is the Executive Director of the National Academy Orchestra, and has served on the boards of the National Gallery of Canada and Glenn Gould Foundation.

For a lifetime commitment to her hometown, and her advocacy for a better Hamilton, Ardyth Webster Brott rightfully joins her husband in Hamilton's Gallery of Distinction.



Joseph Silvio Mancinelli

Joe Mancinelli's commitment to organized labour and his hometown began at a young age. Born and raised in Hamilton, he spent his early summers working as a general labourer—his first connection to the trade union that would become his life's work.

Now International Vice-President of the Labourers International Union of North America (LiUNA)—Canada's largest building trade union—Joe is leaving his mark on Hamilton. You'll see it in restored buildings across town like LiUNA Station, and in new developments like Regina Gardens. His service to Hamilton includes longstanding volunteerism with Hamilton Health Sciences, St. Joseph's and many others.

A committed leader in a town shaped by labour and a devoted community builder, Joe Mancinelli is welcomed into Hamilton's Gallery of Distinction.



Brenda Flaherty

Hamilton born and raised, Brenda Flaherty's life is dedicated to a healthier hometown.

She embarked on her career helping patients, first as an Emergency Department nurse, then head nurse and today as Executive Vice President and COO of Hamilton Health Services.

Along the way, she's earned a reputation for putting patients first and for being a visionary. Under her leadership, women and children have their own hospital, with a dedicated Children's Emergency Department. Highly regarded for her integrity, honesty and kindness she is a relied upon volunteer serving in leadership roles in the YMCA and the Change Foundation.

For her compassionate leadership, her commitment to patients and her generosity of spirit, Brenda Flaherty is welcomed into Hamilton's Gallery of Distinction.

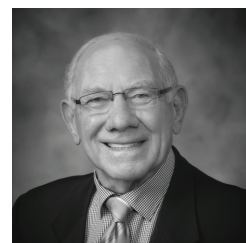


Kate and Carl Turkstra

Sometimes significant community change happens without fanfare. This is true of the work of Kate and Carl Turkstra.

A family well-known for their successful lumber enterprise, Kate and Carl's incite Foundation for the Arts has been investing in Hamilton's arts and culture organizations for years. With little publicity, the Turkstra's investments go directly to beneficiaries such as the Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton Philharmonic, Theatre Aquarius, An Instrument for Every Child, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and City Kidz.

Thanks to their philanthropy and leadership, arts, culture and education are embedded in our city, making a real difference in the lives of Hamiltonians. Kate and Carl Turkstra enter their city's Gallery of Distinction proving that giving with humility is impactful and worthy of celebration.



Russ Jackson

Canada's best-ever quarterback, Russ Jackson matched excellence on the playing field with service to his community.

A record setter at Westdale and McMaster, he starred on field, court and in the classroom.

Turning pro, he led the Ottawa Rough Riders to three Grey Cups, winning dozens of awards and honours along the way. While leading the Rough Riders, he began his teaching career that continued once his playing days were done, serving as vice-principal and principal at high schools in Ottawa and the GTA.

An Officer of the Order of Canada, a member of the CFL, Canadian and Ontario Halls of Fame, and a committed Hamiltonian who never forgot his hometown community, Russ Jackson is welcomed into Hamilton's Gallery of Distinction.



Terry Cooke

Terry Cooke's commitment to Hamilton includes service as a councillor, regional chair, business leader and Foundation president.

At just 25 he was elected to Council and re-elected three times. He became Regional Chair in his thirties and led Hamilton-Wentworth during a time of great change including amalgamation and the Red Hill Expressway. Retiring from politics at 40, he joined The Foxcroft Group as President and COO. Today, he leads the Hamilton Community Foundation in its mandate to drive positive change through increasing access to post-secondary education, strengthening neighbourhoods, and boosting Hamilton's arts and culture.

For his courageous and focused leadership, Terry Cooke is a welcome and wonderful addition to his hometown's Gallery of Distinction.