

# HUMBER TODAY

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A Close Look at Humber College

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## Welcome back to the Humber Room

Experience the five-star restaurant in the new Albert Schnell/Hilton Learning & Catering Centre

You enter a set of large, stainless steel doors at the North Campus of Humber College. "Welcome to the Humber Room," says your host, a student of the Hospitality Management program in the School of Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism. She/he leads you to a table by the window.

Your waiter presents you with a lunch menu of contemporary international cuisine. The menu has been created by Humber's award winning culinary faculty, and will be changed every eight weeks. You order butternut squash and maple soup to be followed by sesame swordfish steak with mango salsa. You consider freshly baked apple charlotte for dessert.

This is the experience of the five

star restaurant in the new Albert Schnell/Hilton Learning & Catering Centre.

"Although we have had a fine dining restaurant at the College for years, the new 1.2 million dollar Centre just opened in January 2002," says Don McCulloch, Manager of Business Development Operations. The Centre is one of the most modern and technologically advanced training facilities in Canada. The spacious kitchen area of the Humber Room has been completely redesigned and refitted and will serve hundreds of lunches, dinners and special events this year.

The 120-seat restaurant is open weekdays for lunch from 12 - 1:15 p.m. The room is also available to be used in a variety of other ways:

catered functions, corporate meetings, banquets or promotional events. In the past, the facilities have been used for a 'last Friday of the month' cooking club where the members throw off the vestiges of their day jobs and become chefs for a night, and then eat what they prepare, and it has been a popular setting for corporate events. Conferences and meetings are common and Campbells once held a black box cooking competition for their staff.

For further information on the Centre, visit [www.hrtalliance.com](http://www.hrtalliance.com) or contact Don McCulloch at 416-675-6622, ext. 4477.

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Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, Dianne Cunningham, breaks ground for the new University of Guelph-Humber with students and presidents, Dr. Robert A. Gordon, Humber College and Dr. Mordechai Rozanski, University of Guelph. Story on page 2.

## Humber alumnus receives Order of Ontario

The first female provincial police commissioner in Ontario, Humber alumnus Gwen Boniface, was awarded the Order of Ontario on December 4, 2001. Commissioner Boniface was recently elected president of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police. She was appointed in 1997 to the Law Commission of Canada advising Parliament on the improvement and modernization of Canada's Law. Through this appointment and her work as an adjunct professor at the University of Western Ontario, she has made significant contributions to the field of justice. She was honoured for these accomplishments and for her contributions to the development of First Nations Policing Services.

"The Law and Security Administration program at Humber College helped to give me the confidence and the desire to pursue a career in law enforcement," says Commissioner Boniface. She later completed a Bachelor of Arts degree from York University and a Bachelor of Laws degree from Osgoode Hall Law School. Commissioner Boniface received a Premier's Award in 1998 for outstanding achievements and important social and economic contributions made by a community college graduate to the province of Ontario.

The Order of Ontario recognizes the highest level of individual excellence and achievement in any field. The men and women invested in the Order are representative of the best of Ontario's caring and diverse society. Their lives have benefited society in Ontario or elsewhere.



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## Humber Faculty Wins Booker

Peter Carey, distinguished Australian author and faculty member with the Humber School for Writers (HSW), won the Booker Prize for his critically-acclaimed novel, *The True History of the Kelly Gang*. The Booker Prize is the world's most prestigious literary award and Carey is only the second author in the Booker's history to win the prize twice. His first win was for the equally splendid *Oscar and Lucinda*.

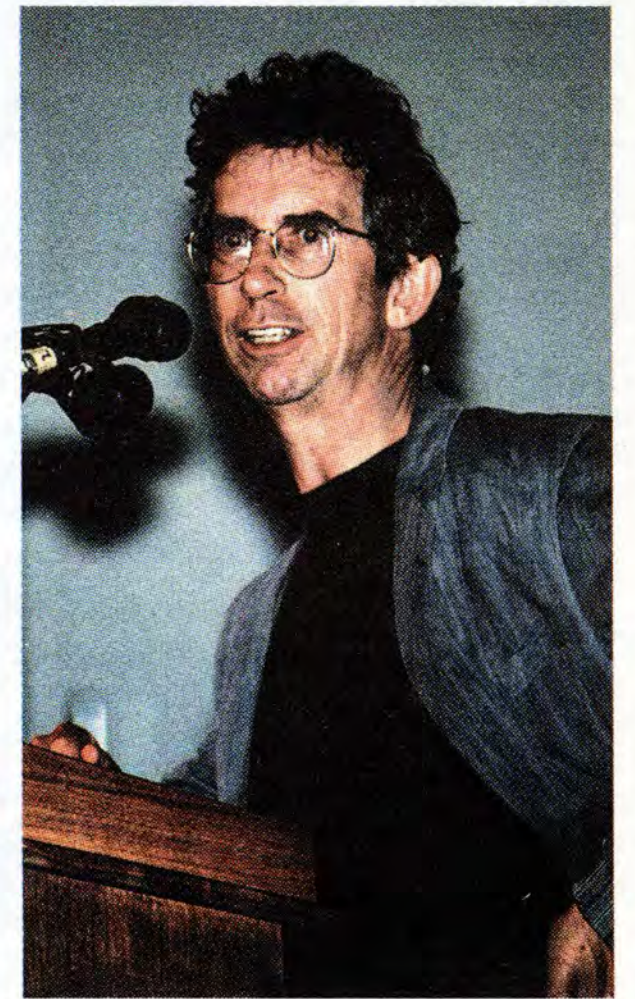
"I'm thrilled that Peter won," says Joe Kertes, Dean, Creative & Performing Arts. "He's a brilliant writer and *The True History of the Kelly Gang* is a masterful piece of writing."

Peter Carey has taught for the Humber School for Writers in both the summer workshop and the correspondence program for seven years. He is scheduled to teach another session in January 2002.

"Peter is as astute and intelligent an editor as he is a writer," explains Kertes. "A generous teacher, his comments are always insightful and constructive and, because of this, his students always come away from the program with a greater knowledge and appreciation of what constitutes good writing."

The HSW at Humber was created specifically to help students explore and develop their creative writing skills. In addition to Peter Carey, the faculty list has included Margaret Atwood, Bonnie Burnard, Timothy Findley, Richard Ford, Tim O'Brien, Mordecai Richler, and Carol Shields.

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## University of Guelph-Humber breaks ground

November 29, 2001 - 4 p.m. - It was a dark and stormy day, and the Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities was due to arrive at the North Campus of Humber College to break ground for the new University of Guelph-Humber. ENTER - The Humber College Maintenance and Operations Department. "We set up a red carpet, some large plants and a parcel of sod delivered by a local nursery in the lobby of the Corporate & Continuing Education Centre," laughs David Trick, Vice-Provost, Administration. "The show must go on..."

**Next September, the University of Guelph-Humber will admit 200 students into three programs: Business, Media Studies and Computing.**

Faculty and staff working with the new institution, students from the University of Guelph and Humber College, and the Presidents and Board members were delighted when the Honourable Dianne Cunningham was whisked in from the wind and rain, alighted on the red carpet and reached for a spade. "The government is proud to be a

partner in this exciting project that will benefit thousands of Ontario students in the years to come," said Minister Cunningham.

The University of Guelph-Humber, a joint venture of the University of Guelph and Humber College, will be the first in Ontario to offer both a university degree and a college diploma to every graduate in just four years of study. Three programs will be offered beginning in the Fall of 2002, and the almost 45 million dollar building will be complete in the Fall of 2003. The venture received 28.63 million dollars in funding as part of the Ontario government's SuperBuild project to meet the needs of the growing, post-secondary student population.

Next September, the University of Guelph-Humber will admit 200 students into three programs: Business, Media Studies and Computing. "Additional programs are being developed for 2003," says Michael Nightingale, Vice-Provost, Academic. By 2005, the University will have the capacity for 2,000 students in the new building.

"As part of Humber's commitment to a learner-centred environment, we have developed a curriculum that meets the emerging needs of employers for strategic skills, and will enable students to pursue post-graduate studies if they choose to continue their education," said Dr. Robert A. Gordon, President of Humber College.

More and more university gradu-

ates take a post-graduate college program to get the skills training they need to enter the job market. This takes one or two years on top of the four years it takes to get a degree. The University of Guelph and Humber College recognized an opportunity to provide programming that combines the theoretical knowledge of a university education and practical knowledge of a college education in just four years of study. "It is all about students and expanding student accessibility and opportunity. Students are attracted by the opportunity to attend this academically rigorous program that combines the individual strengths and traditions of the University of Guelph and Humber College," said Dr. Mordechai Rozanski, President of the University of Guelph.

The new building will have specialized laboratories, an Internet café, a learning commons and an atrium for major lectures and events. Most of the classrooms are designed for small classes of 65 or fewer. Students will spend all four years at the University of Guelph-Humber in northwest Toronto where they will be able to make use of the services and facilities at Humber College. For further information on the University of Guelph-Humber building and programs, please visit [www.guelphhumber.ca](http://www.guelphhumber.ca).

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## Murder and Mayhem Served up at Lakeshore

Peter Robinson, author of the Alan Banks series of mystery novels, read recently from his latest work, *Aftermath*, in the library at the Lakeshore Campus. The event was part of the Lakeshore Reading Series organized by Liberal Arts & Sciences faculty member Ben Labovitch, thanks to a grant from the Canada Council.

A prolific writer, Robinson has authored 13 books, several of which have won awards, and a number of short stories.

Born in England, Robinson was educated there and in Canada. He has taught at a number of Toronto colleges and served as Writer-in-Residence at the University of Windsor. He lives in Toronto.

The next reading in the series, featuring Cordelia Strube, is scheduled for 2 p.m. on February 20, 2002.

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## Students Visit Fashion Week in New York

"It was a fantastic experience and a huge eye opener," says Dominique Rostant, first year Fashion student, of her trip to New York City. Maria Bystrin, Program Coordinator of Fashion, organizes the trip, which has been running for over nine years. The objective says Bystrin, is to introduce students to one of the worlds leading fashion capitals. Visits to Promostyle, the Fashion Institute of Technology at NYU, Condé Naste and other internationally recognized institutions reinforces the importance of the fashion industry to the world economy. "I really enjoyed visiting the large corporations we dream of working for, and finding that the people there are just like you and me. I feel more confident about my dream job becoming a reality," says Parmoun Eatemadi. Jill Lewis found the trip to be a "great educational experience" and sites her meeting the senior fashion-marketing editor at *Glamour* magazine to be the highlight of her visit. "It's great to know that our program at Humber is right on the mark."

The New York trip coincides with Fashion Week, a week where seminars and field visits are planned for the students of the Fashion program. Guest speakers cover a variety of topics relating to students' course of study and reinforce material taught by professors. "We try to mirror the Toronto activities as best as possible to those of the New York itinerary," says Bystrin. As an example, both groups went to a presentation made by Lectra Systems International. Because this company has offices worldwide, we were able to arrange presentations in Toronto and New York. Both groups had an opportunity to meet with marketing representatives from recognized apparel lines and the fashion magazine business, and to visit a fashion related museum exhibit. The final outcome is a fun learning experience outside the traditional classroom environment.

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Greetings from Broadway and 75th



## Media studies programs welcomed by Lakeshore Campus and community

"It's great to be a part of such a win, win move," says Ian Smith, Principal of the Lakeshore Campus of Humber College. "Humber College and the community both gain by bringing together education and employment opportunities."

In the year 2000, the South Etobicoke Regeneration Project Committee commissioned an employer cluster capacity study. The final report identified three sectors that play a key role in employment in Etobicoke: food preparation, auto-

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motive parts and *media*. The media industry includes photographers, graphic designers, advertising and public relations agencies, printers, producers, distributors and reproduction companies. Humber's Media Studies programs include: Public Relations, Advertising and Graphic Design, Electronic Publishing, and Advertising Media Sales. The report recommended that the Committee should approach Humber College to determine the feasibility and interest of moving the School of Media Studies to the

Lakeshore Campus from the North Campus. Humber College listened.

"Media is the fastest growing industry group in South Etobicoke," says Judy Dunstan, Economic Development Officer with the City of Toronto. "We see the opportunity to create a synergy between Humber College and the businesses in the community." One way to do this would be to establish a South Etobicoke media enterprise campus to anchor media enterprise development and innovation within the Greater Toronto Region through partnerships, provision of space to fledgling enterprises and provision of supporting amenities. While a campus such as this is still in the planning stage, Humber's Media Studies programs look forward to partnering with area businesses in the near future.

"All of our programs include a period of work experience and training at actual job sites throughout Toronto," says William Hanna, Dean of the School of Media Studies. "We look forward to placing students in local businesses for work-study initiatives, as well as providing well prepared graduates to fill the growing human resources needs in this area."

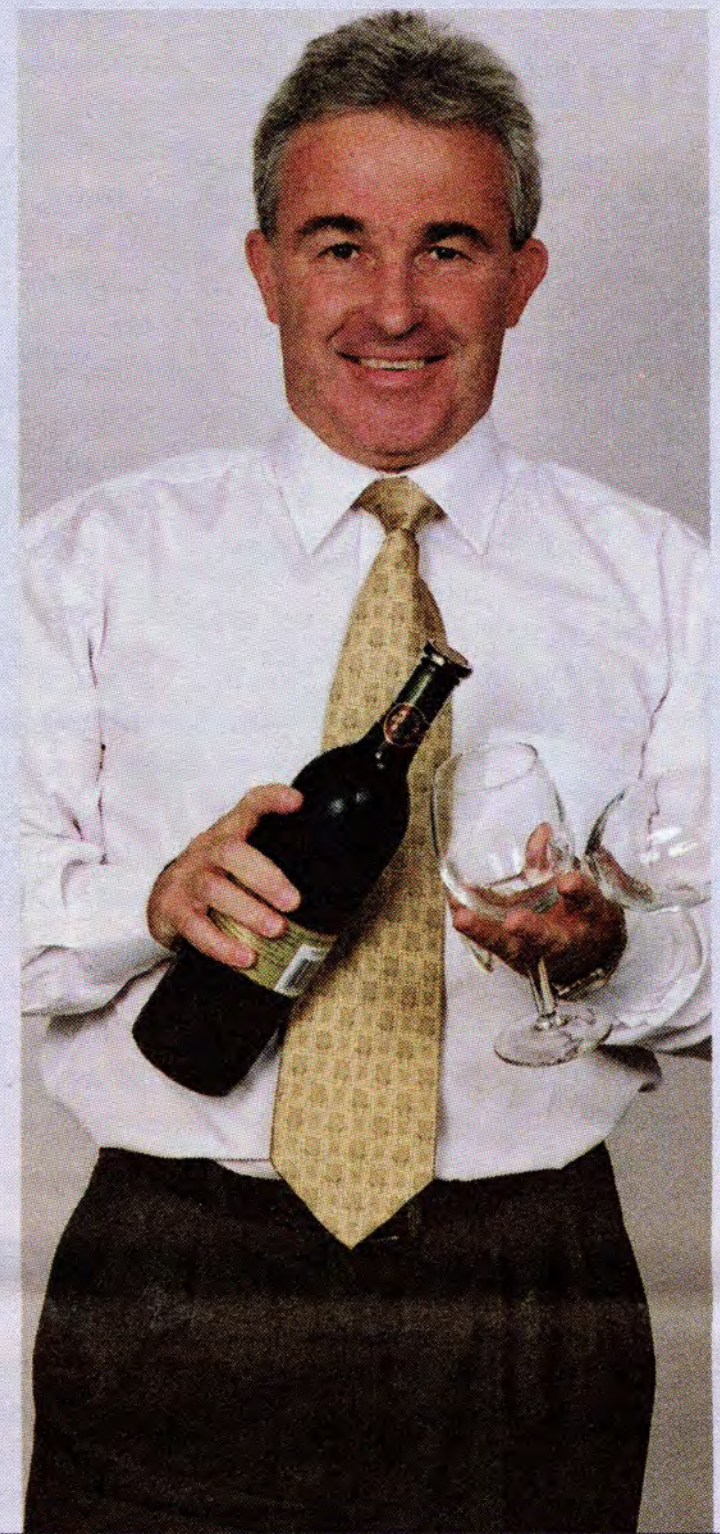
Two other programs that are new to the Lakeshore Campus next Fall are Professional Golf Management and the Comedy Diploma. For information on these and other full and part-time programs available at the Lakeshore Campus at 3199 Lakeshore Boulevard West, please call 416-675-5000.

## New Dean of Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism

Alister Mathieson was appointed Dean of the Humber School of Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism in the summer of 2001. He re-enters the educational arena after spending over 15 years in executive positions within the tourism industry in Australia, the U.S.A. and Canada. "I was a lecturer on hospitality and tourism in New Zealand when I took a private sector position on what I thought was a short-term sabbatical," says Mathieson. "Now, almost 20 years later, I'm back to my original calling."

Most recently, Mathieson was Vice-President of Product and Travel Related Businesses for the Thomas Cook Group and prior to that was Vice-President of Sales and Marketing for World of Vacations.

He also held managing director positions for companies in Los Angeles and Sydney. "I am thrilled to be a part of the launch of the state-of-the-art Albert Schnell/Hilton Learning & Catering Centre at Humber. I am excited about this undertaking at all levels, from the first-class donors/partners we are working with in the industry - to the students and faculty - to the facility itself. There could not be a more exciting time to be in Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism at Humber!"



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## Key film and television industry personnel partner with Humber to deliver post-production training

State-of-the-art training in film and television post-production techniques is now available at Humber College. The Ontario Post-Production Training Centre will provide training in disciplines such as: non-linear editing, special effects, sound mixing and 3-D digital art.

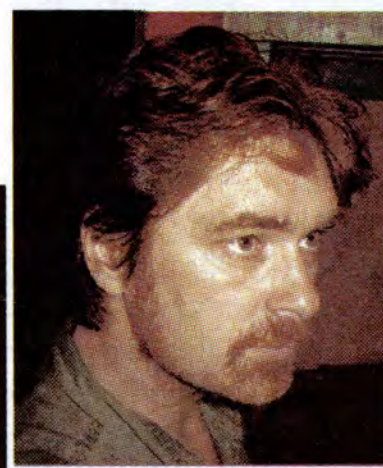
The Centre is an initiative that was spearheaded by Humber in partnership with the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade and the post-production industry. An advisory board made up of key industry personnel from some of the foremost post-production facilities in Canada advises on the curriculum of the Post-Production Graduate Certificate program. The program includes full lab instruction plus editing theory and analysis, training in post-production supervision and management, and insight into the way in which the different disciplines overlap - eg. visual and sound editing.

"We try to give our students a leg-up in a very complex and technically dynamic world," says Robb Wright, Program Manager of the Centre. "Our first students

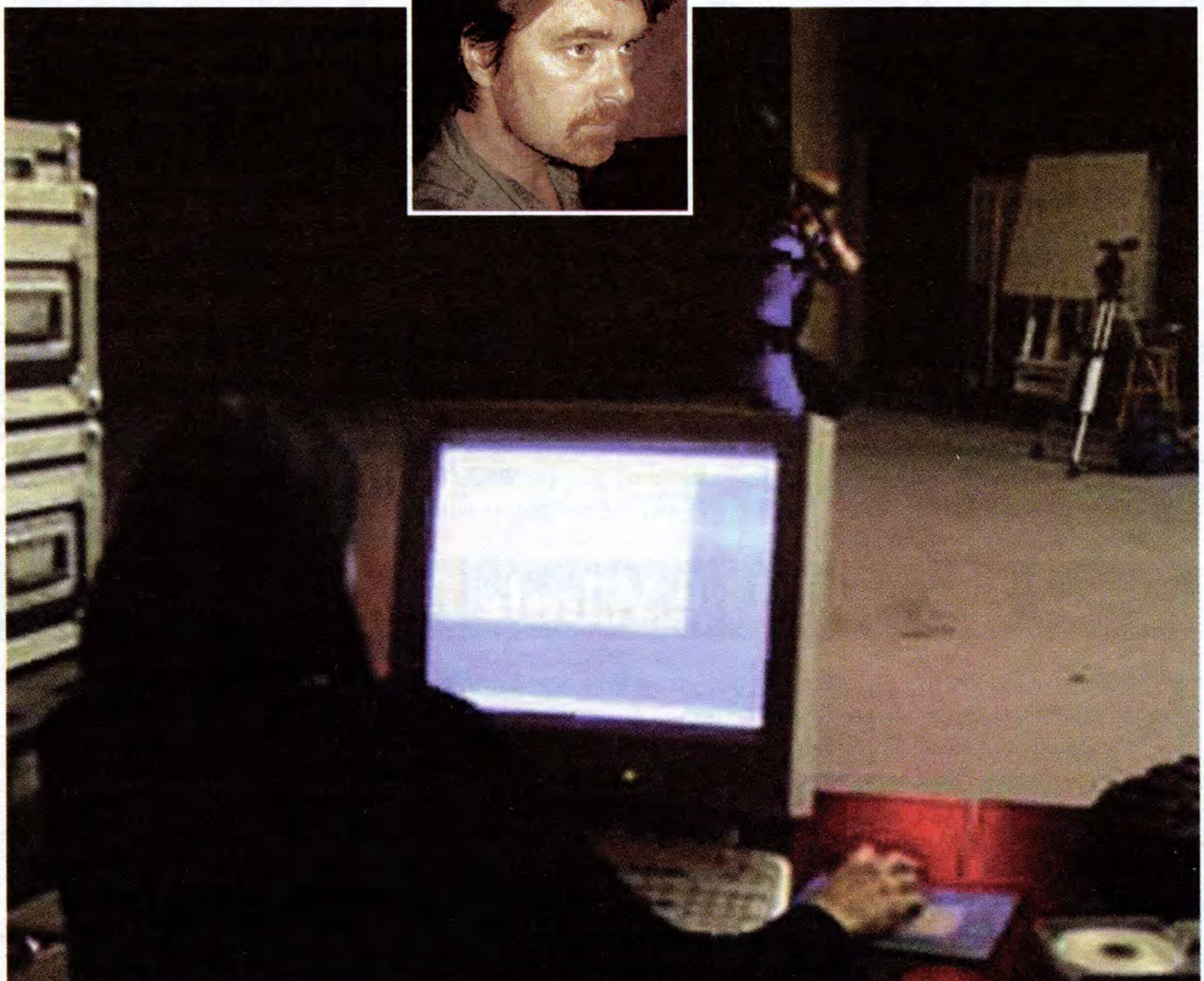
are just getting started in the program, but look for some interesting work coming out of these labs this Spring!" As well as being the training ground for a postgraduate certificate, the Centre will offer life-long learning to professionals who wish to keep their skills current. Additionally, 230 full-time students from related programs at Humber will take courses at the Centre.

"The Ontario Post-Production Training Centre is the realization of a plan to creatively link leading industry hardware and software manufacturers, content creators in the film and television production community (our board members and faculty), and a committed training institution - Humber College," says Donna O'Brien, Manager, Ontario Post-Production Training Centre. Industry partners include: Avid Technology, Media 100 Inc., Sony of Canada LTD, Apple Canada, Silicon Graphics Canada, Alias Wavefront and The Directors' Guild of Canada, Ontario.

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Program Manager Robb Wright







## Students Network with Top Marketing Practitioners

Students had a chance to market themselves to organizations such as Hewlett Packard, the Canadian Cancer Society and Microsoft at a networking breakfast hosted by the International Marketing and Marketing Management Postgraduate programs.

The event was organized by students in the programs to provide an opportunity to expand their network of contacts and to gain insights into different marketing careers. "The purpose of an event like this is to help students enhance soft skills like networking and how to work a room," says Peter Madott, Program Coordinator for International Marketing.

Sara Dempsey, a key organizer for the event, felt that students were offered an occasion to apply much of the material taught in class. "In an atmosphere like a networking breakfast you have the chance to ask for referrals, set up informational interviews, use business lingo and practice your elevator pitch," says Dempsey. Putting these skills into practice allowed several students to set up interviews and gain leads from potential employers.

Jennifer Patterson, Business Development Manager for the Burlington Economic Development Corporation, an organization that participated in the event, says that in the past, they have hired internship students from Humber with great success. "As a non-profit organization, an event like this gives us access to expertise, fresh minds and human resources that we can't necessarily afford," Patterson explains. She also stresses the importance for students to start networking early in their careers. "Networking is really important and an event like this is great for students who have the foresight to see opportunities to connect."

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## Humber First Recipient of EAP Award of Excellence

Humber College was recently recognized at INPUT 2001, a three-day symposium that brings together employee assistance professionals from across the country, for its outstanding commitment to the field.

For the past 28 years, Humber has organized this national educational event, which is held biennially in Ottawa. This year, the Canadian Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Association, acknowledged the college with the first Canadian EAP Award of Excellence.

"It was such an honour to be recognized by this national EAP community for Humber's commitment to this professional development symposium," says Teresa Sottile, Conference Manager, Corporate and Continuing Education Department at Humber, adding, "Humber College has been instrumental in bringing together EAP professionals and volunteers from across the country for many years."

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The conference, which was held November 18-20, 2001, featured several keynote speakers and offered innumerable workshops on topics from the dynamics of addiction, substance abuse in the workplace, and suicide awareness to developing a workplace spiritual culture and self-care for the caregiver.

This national program was originally founded by Humber in conjunction with the Addiction Research Foundation. It has grown steadily over the years, with over 400 participants at last Fall's conference. It is the only event of its kind in Canada, where practitioners from the various disciplines come together in one place. These disciplines include psychiatry, psychology, addiction counseling, social work, and nursing, as well as human resource development and occupational health & safety.

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## Awards & Achievements

The Department of Justice presented a special Partnership Award to the Business School on November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2001. The Award is in recognition of their efforts in developing and delivering the Department of Justice Law Clerk Diploma program. The program was customized to meet the demands of employees looking to update their credentials within the department and the Business School was able to deliver on-site training.

Craig McBride, a 2<sup>nd</sup> year journalism student at Humber, won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 9<sup>th</sup> annual international Student Literary Competition sponsored by the League for Innovation and its member colleges. His essay has been published in the League's annual journal, *The Twice Bloomed Wisteria*. Humber student Mar Fenech received an honorable mention for her short story in the international competition.

Michael Horwood, professor of Music Appreciation in the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Humber, is celebrating the release of two CDs. His original compositions are available on *For the Birds* and *Brass Feast*, the second of which

was launched by the Niagara Brass Ensemble on January 13<sup>th</sup> at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto. Information on these CDs is available at [www.musiccentre.ca](http://www.musiccentre.ca).

Ken Cummings, Program Coordinator for the Industrial Design program at Humber, was invited to be a guest juror for the exclusive Braun Prize World Design Competition held in Germany last September. Braun received entries from 381 colleges and universities around the world. Cummings assisted in the selection of the grand prize winner, the designer of an ultrasonic washing machine that requires no detergent, from five great finalists.

Dan Andreae, professor in the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Humber, received the "Alumni of the Year" award from Wilfred Laurier University for 2001. Dr. Andreae's work has been lauded, including the receipt of the Governor General's Commemorative Medal, for his contribution to social and health services. He has been associated with Humber College as a sessional and part-time professor and continuing education instructor since 1994.

## The Whole Dip

Students in the Theatre Performance program added a new dimension to the Theatre Humber production season in December when they presented *And That's the Whole Dip*, a piece based on the lives and experiences of residents in Lakeshore Lodge, a home for seniors.

Under the guidance of Director/Dramaturge Steven Bush, the third-year students interviewed a number of tenants, collected their stories, wrote them up, and presented them at the Lodge to residents, their families and friends.

"We determined that we would not do a docudrama about life at the Lodge, but would build an imaginative theatre piece inspired by the stories we heard. And that's just what we did," explains Steven Bush. "We also

**A theatre piece based on the lives and experiences of residents in Lakeshore Lodge, a home for seniors.**

## Partnership to give journalism students international perspective

Journalism students will be joining with students from the U.S. and Mexico in a fascinating trilateral four-year project. *Cross Currents: Journalism and Globalization* is a partnership agreement involving two U.S. universities, two Mexican universities, Mount Royal College in Calgary, and Humber.

The program features a combination of student exchange and group projects through distance education. Starting as early as next September a total of 13 Humber journalism students will be invited to spend a semester studying at a partner institution and students from each of the partners will study journalism at Humber. Funded in Canada by Human Resources Development Canada, as part of the North American Mobility Project, it is designed to increase professional mobility in the field of journalism and prepare students to work and study abroad. Humber's Canadian partner is Mount Royal College in Calgary. The consortium includes, the University of Iowa, the University of Georgia, the Universidad de Colima, and the Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara.

In total, 76 students from the six partner institutions will participate in the exchange. The project also aims to develop common curriculum components in the member schools, increase the international perspective of all six journalism programs and foster a co-operation that will extend beyond 2005.

Faculty from each institution will tour the facilities and explore transferability of credits in January and February in preparation for student exchanges due to start as early as next September. Faculty from the partner schools will be at Humber, the last week of January to familiarize themselves with our print and broadcast pathways. Project Director for Humber is Terri Arnott, Journalism Program Coordinator.

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## CULINARY STUDENTS COOK WITH CELEBRITY CHEFS

Last November, Humber culinary students volunteered their time for the 2001 Starlight Odyssey Gala, a banquet to raise money for the Starlight Foundation, which grants wishes to terminally ill children. The event was held at the International Plaza Hotel in Toronto, and included a five-course meal for over 700 people.

Celebrity chefs from various television shows were on hand for the evening. Each of the five courses was prepared by a different chef, assisted by Humber students. Chef Pasquale of "Pasquale's Kitchen", noted for singing opera while he cooks, was among the participants. Chef John Higgins, the Executive Chef at the King Edward Hotel in Toronto and formerly of Buckingham Palace, coordinated the event.

Ryan Whibbs, a first year Culinary Management student at Humber, had some personal input to the menu that evening. His creation, "pasta a la Ryan", was served.

determined that the focus for our students would be other people's lives rather than their own, and that part of the process would be selecting which stories to tell and how best to tell them."

Diana Belshaw, Program Coordinator of the Theatre Performance program, supported this initiative from the beginning. "I was sure the experience would benefit both the residents and the students, and it did," she said. "Many of the stories were moving and all reflected the magnitude of human experience and its impact on future generations."

Lakeshore Lodge, a full-care residence for seniors, is located on the grounds of the Lakeshore Campus.

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# Thriving in the BN program

Natalie Fortin, a 27-year-old student in the new Bachelor of Nursing (BN) program at Humber, believes in the words of a nurse and mentor who encouraged her in her pursuit of a nursing career. Change comes about, her friend told her, when "opportunity meets preparedness". So Fortin was ready to seize the opportunity when she searched the internet last year and found the collaborative Bachelor of Nursing Program between the University of New Brunswick (UNB) and Humber College. Because of previous experience working in health care, she felt the program's combination of clinical practice and a caring approach was a good match for her priorities. She spoke with a friend who had gone through Humber's Practical Nursing program, and her brother, who had studied here as well. "I picked their brains and then applied only to Humber. It was also important to me that both Humber and

UNB offered established nursing programs. I like to know what to expect."

The BN degree program has been offered at Humber since September 2001. Students are taught by Humber and UNB faculty and take the entire four-year program at the College. Graduates earn a

BN degree from UNB. "The program encompasses professionalism, human caring, research and a holistic view of nursing," says Fortin. Having spent a year at university, she compares the two experiences. "This program is difficult, but it's

different than being at a big university. The faculty are supportive and they're always available. They have a lot of experience and education, and they're willing to help. I've always questioned my ability to do this, but now I know I can."

Fortin says she's excited about her upcoming clinical placements in long-term care agencies and then

in the community working with adolescents and young adults. Eventually, she'll do clinical practice in a hospital such as the Etobicoke site of the William Osler Health Centre. Though graduation is still a few years away, she's thinking ahead. "I'll probably take further education, to specialize in an area like critical care or neonatal ICU." Research is another area of interest, so she may go on for graduate studies, and after that, teaching.

In the meantime, Fortin says she's enjoying the program. She's also developing skills in leadership. Through her efforts, students in the BN Program are members of the new UNB-Humber Nursing Society, which in turn is a member of the Canadian Nursing Students' Association (CNSA). Among its activities, CNSA promotes networking between students in nursing programs nationally, organizes health promotion and charitable fund raising activities and holds an annual conference that addresses many professional and ethical issues in nursing. Natalie and other students, who have affectionately dubbed her 'the information giver' for her groundwork in establishing the group at Humber, plan to attend this year's conference in Victoria, B.C. "The association provides opportunities for students to build themselves personally and professionally," says Natalie. "It's also another way for students to stay on top of changes in the nursing profession."

One recent change is the requirement that all new nurses in Ontario, beginning in 2005, must have a baccalaureate degree in nursing, a reflection of the increasing complexity of today's health care environment. The collaborative BN Program at Humber was developed in response to the new requirement and is equivalent to the program being offered by UNB in New Brunswick. It is offered under a provincial government ministerial consent granted for students entering the program until 2005. All students admitted into the program during this period will have the opportunity to complete their degree requirements at Humber.

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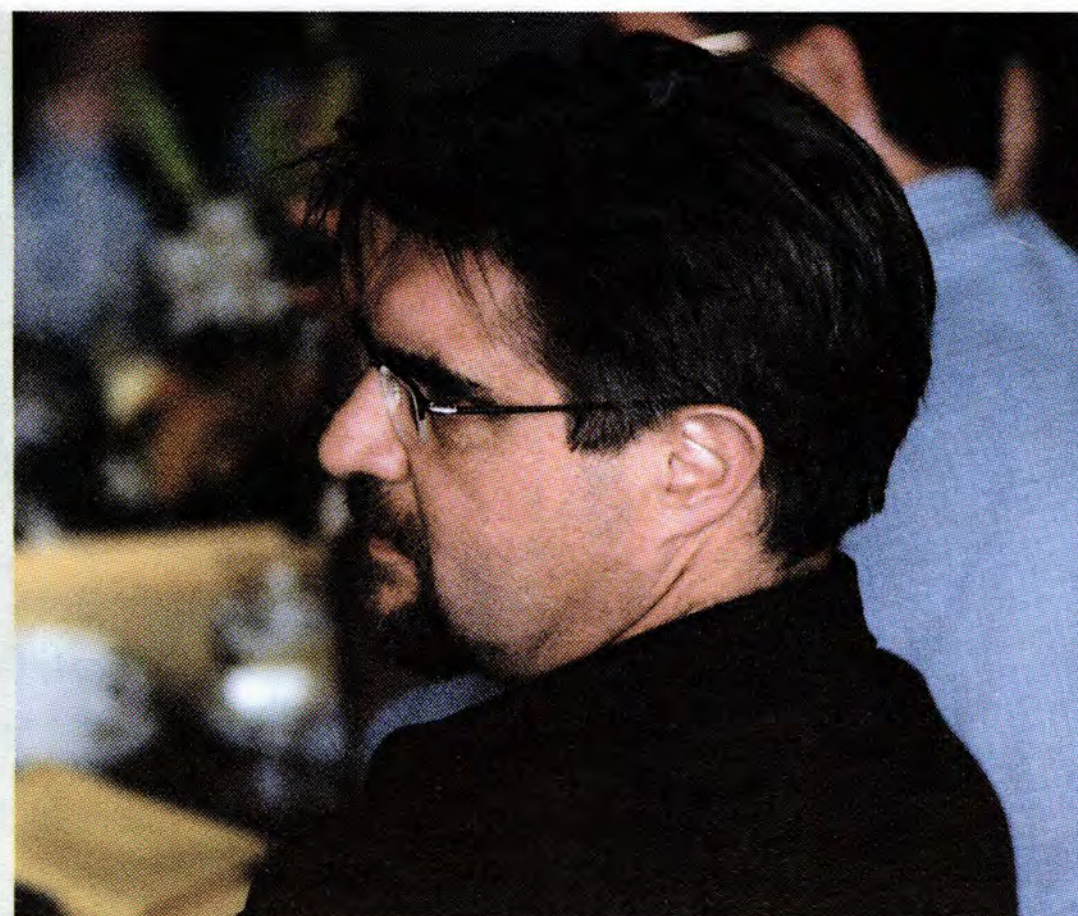


## New Post-diploma program in palliative care for RNs

Humber College's School of Health Sciences continues the tradition of providing high-quality nursing education with the introduction of a new, post-diploma program in palliative care for registered nurses.

The program is comprised of six theory courses and a practicum. Participants will learn the history, philosophy and practice of palliative care. Courses will cover pain control and symptom management, ethics and policies in palliative care, as well as communication and care for the whole person with psychological, social and spiritual dimensions. Courses will run in the Winter, Spring and Fall semesters.

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## CALLIOPE GOES TO QUARRINGTON

Renowned Canadian author, Paul Quarrington, received the 2001 *Calliope*, awarded annually for excellence in writing and teaching by the Humber School for Writers (HSW). Quarrington has taught each year in both the correspondence program as well as the summer workshop.

The award, a bronze sculpture of the Greek Muse of Everlasting Literature, was presented by Humber College President, Dr. Robert A. Gordon, at the closing luncheon of the summer workshop.

In accepting the award, Quarrington paid tribute to his students – many of whom have gone on to publish articles and short stories.

"I'm honoured to be the recipient of this award," he said. "It's been such a privilege working with the students and meeting some of the other faculty who teach for the School. I've met some exceptional people."

Paul Quarrington is the author of nine novels and several works of non-fiction. Quarrington has won both the Governor General's Award and the Stephen Leacock Award and has also written several screenplays and plays. His most recent novel is the imaginative *The Spirit Cabinet*.

## American Sign Language Course Offered

Response to the Introductory American Sign Language course at Humber College has been so positive that students have been asking for a more advanced class. A level two class was offered for the first time beginning in January 2002.

Students interested in taking the course generally include those who are acquainted with someone who is deaf or who benefit in the workplace by having a knowledge of sign language.

American Sign Language (ASL) classes at Humber are taught by instructor Len Charbonneau as conversation classes, meaning that students are completely immersed in the language and rely on watching the hand signs of the teacher rather than on oral instruction. In fact, almost no speaking goes on in the classroom. "We couldn't offer this program without a very special person to teach it," says Pat Burke, Program Coordinator for the Language & Culture Centre. "The

Students are completely immersed in the language and rely on watching the hand signs of the teacher

instructor is on stage. He relies on expressive motions, body language and facial expressions to teach."

In order to learn and to understand, students must carefully watch the instructor at all times. As a part of the curriculum, students require a textbook and video, which are used to complete homework assignments. Although no lecturing is done in class, overheads and face-to-face conversations are often used as teaching tools.

Contact: Pat Burke at  
416-675-6622 ext. 5006.

## Great support staff

In keeping with a commitment to lifelong learning, Humber participates in the College Committee of Human Resource Development's Great Support Staff Seminar retreat for college support staff in the central region of Ontario. Last year, interested staff applied to the conference planning committee and four delegates were chosen to represent Humber College in various capacities in 2001. Ann Francis and Pam Tulino were participants, Ann Tsirgielis served as a facilitator and Angella Nunes was the event recorder.

"As a facilitator I had the oppor-

tunity to work with others through some of their work challenges and in doing it, I actually found solutions to some of my own," says Ann Tsirgielis, Employment Adviser, Career Centre. "It definitely enhanced my communications skills."

Modeled after the Great Teaching Seminar, the annual Great Support Staff Seminar provides an opportunity to discuss challenges in the workplace and to share and celebrate successes. A copy of the handbook from this year's seminar is available for reference.

Contact: Angella Nunes at  
416-675-6622 ext. 4996.





## NOMINEES FOR 2001 PREMIER'S AWARD

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This year, Humber College submitted five graduates for consideration by the Ontario Council of Regents for the 2001 Premier's Awards. All will be honoured at the Premier's Award Gala in February 2002, and inducted into Humber's Alumni Wall of Distinction at this year's convocation ceremonies.

### WHAT ARE THE PREMIER'S AWARDS?

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This year marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Ontario Premier's Awards, an annual awards program administered by the Council of Regents that acknowledges the important economic and social contribution college graduates make to our province.

Graduates must have demonstrated outstanding career success and contribution to their community or society. In the Recent Graduate category, promise must be shown for future career success and contribution.

The Alumni Office is continually seeking alumni for consideration for this prestigious award. When we review a candidate for submission, we consider the following criteria, as suggested by the Premier's Award nomination form:

- Current occupation and employer
- Highlights of career achievement – what makes this person's achievements/success exceptional?
- How their college education contributed to their career achievement
- Social/community contribution – has this person made a difference in people's lives?
- Other achievements/awards/professional or community recognition



**Recent Graduate Category - Valeria Pugliese**

**Film & Television - 1998**

Pugliese has been out of college only three years, yet in that time she has made a very clear statement about where she wants her life to go. The youngest Show Director/Producer for the Racing Channel Network, Pugliese is responsible for the direction and production of a 24-hour operation that runs four live channels, 50 monitors and records all horse races at tracks across North America.

It is the documentary, however, that drives Pugliese. She won a Media 100 Award, and a TVO Telefest Award in the Best Documentary category for her first documentary, "A Second Chance". It was while working on a professional film for George Marcello, founder and chair of the Organ Donation Organization, that she was inspired to film his fundraising walk across Canada. Realizing that there were other stories to be told, she then began "The Gift of Life", which explores the drama of those waiting for transplants or who have just allowed a family member's organs to be used. Her company, Angel Wings Productions Inc., donates any proceeds directly to the charities involved.

**Applied Arts, Creative Arts & Design - Dan Menchions**  
**Interior Design, 1986**

The reception lobby of II By IV Design Associates Inc. is lined with gold, silver and bronze awards - close to 70 national and international awards in all. It's quite a distance from the early days, when Dan Menchions and his partner, Keith Rushbrook, worked from their car and spent their last \$500 on business cards. They benefited from that excess when Mark Breslin became so taken with their unique company name that he hired them to design his karaoke club, Sing-Sing.

Today, II By IV Design occupies 5000 square feet in the trendy design area of King and Dufferin, and employs 20 staff. They are the youngest winners of ARIDO's Designer of the Year Award: in 1992 for Club Pro, in 1996 for Amnesia, and in 1999 for the entire redesign of the CN Tower interiors (retail, theatres, public corridors). In thanks for their stunning success, II By IV Design provides an annual scholarship to students in the design programs at Humber and Ryerson, takes on work-term students every year, and offers their design services to the Starlight Foundation, Sick Children's Hospital, Fife House, and Fashion Cares.



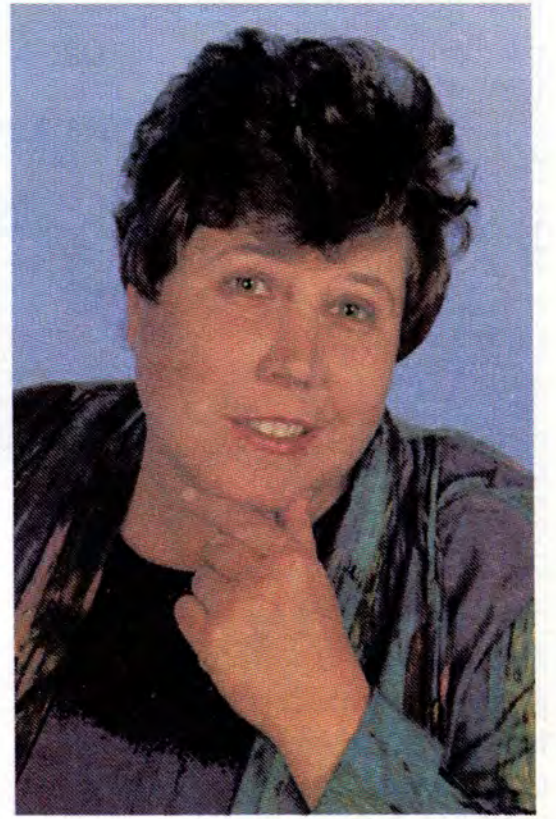
**Technology - Darius Mosun**  
**Manufacturing Engineering Technology, 1990**

Mosun is Vice-President of Business Development for Soheil Mosun Limited, one of the foremost manufacturers of custom architectural details in the world. The work of Soheil Mosun can be seen in the distinctive elevators of First Canadian Place and the CN Tower, the observation deck windows of the Peace Tower in Ottawa, the entranceway for Tiffany & Co. in Toronto, and the Piazza fences and



gates to the Shrine of Mohammed, to name a few.

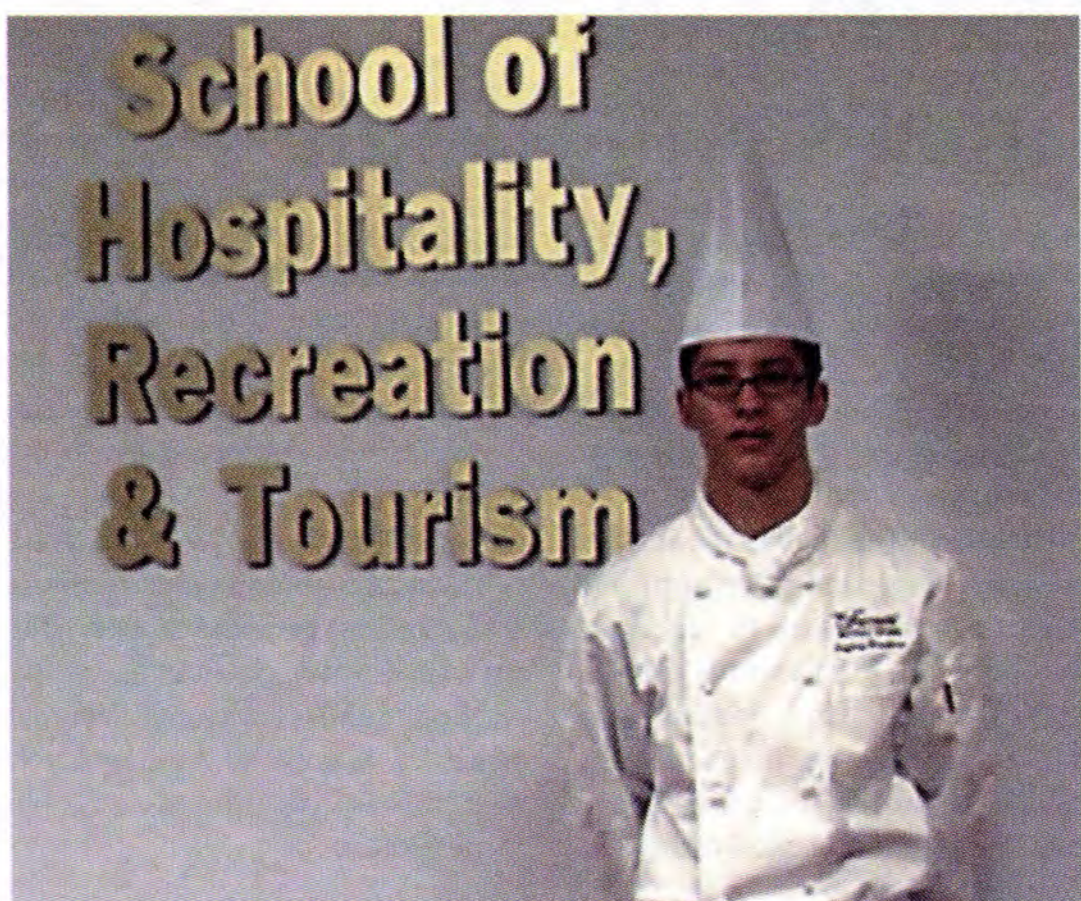
Soheil Mosun has been recognized for its achievements with the Etobicoke Excellence Award for Export in 1999, presented by the Etobicoke Chamber of Commerce, and was a finalist in Arthur Anderson's list of the 50 Best Managed Companies in Canada. The company holds an annual fundraiser for Sick Children's Hospital, and sponsors the Youth Impact Awards through the Rotary Club of Etobicoke.



**Health Sciences - Diane Morton**  
**Funeral Services Education, 1975**

In 1975, funeral services were still dominated by men. For Diane Morton, that was a minor difficulty. After all, she had wanted to be a Funeral Director ever since her grandfather died when she was eight years old. The fact that she was one of only five women the year she graduated simply strengthened her resolve. Today, Morton is a Senior Licensed Funeral Director with Cardinal Funeral Homes in Toronto and the first female President of the Toronto and District Funeral Directors Inc. (the largest in Canada). In her first year as President, she led one of their most successful toy drives for the Bloorview McMillan Centre, and is proud to note that they financially support the Bereaved Families of Ontario and Toronto's new Healing Garden.

Morton is an Executive Member and Officer with the Royal Canadian Legion, a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and a very enthusiastic member of the Antique & Classic Car Club of Canada. She owns a 1931 Model A Ford Roadster.



## Humber Alumnus Wins National Culinary Competition

Jeffrey Brothers, a graduate of the Humber College Culinary Management program, is the winner of the Canadian Young Commis Rôtisseurs competition, and will represent Canada in international competition in Singapore in 2002. He was honoured at the Confrérie De La Chaîne Des Rôtisseurs Scholarship Dinner at the Park Hyatt Toronto on November 21<sup>st</sup>.

The culinary award is given to the winner of a black box competi-

tion. "In this competition, each chef is given a tray of ingredients to be used in the preparation of a three-course meal for four and the young chefs have only one half hour to create a menu," says Michael McFadden, Culinary Program Coordinator, School of Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism at Humber. "Each of these chefs had been chosen out of a group of regional competitors to compete at the national level and only Jeffrey will be continuing to the international level." The Confrérie

De La Chaîne Des Rôtisseurs is an international gastronomic society that provides scholarships and competition for young chefs.

"My long-term goal is to have my own restaurant or be an executive chef," says Brothers. "I've always done fine dining so it would be a fine dining restaurant."

Brothers graduated from Humber in 1998. He currently works at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel in Toronto.



## Humber Alumnus Wins Premier's Award



**Anthony Longo - Business Administration, 1982  
Premier's Award Winner**

Once again, an alumnus of Humber College has been honoured with one of the prestigious Premier's Awards that recognize outstanding graduates of the Ontario College system. Since their inception ten years ago, Humber has been recognized five times and had dual winners in 1999. This accomplishment is underlined by the fact that more than 80 submissions are received for only five awards each year.

This year's winner will be a familiar name to many. As the President and CEO of the popular Longo Brothers Fruit Markets Inc., Anthony Longo has garnered a reputation for innovation in grocery retail and business practices. Well respected by his peers in the industry, he was also recently elected Chairman of the Canadian Federation of Independent Grocers.

The Longo story began slowly, but quickly escalated with Longo's philosophy of investing in the future. After graduating in 1982 from Humber's Business Administration program, Longo immediately opened his first store in Oakville. Twenty years later, the chain has grown to 12 stores and is the premier Ontario

grocer for online shopping. Longo's was named one of Canada's 50 Best Managed Companies in 2000, and has received Gold, Silver and Bronze awards for Store Presentation from the Canadian Federation of Independent Grocers.

For Longo himself, one of his greatest achievements was the development of Longo College in 1998. Originally designed to improve the retail expertise of his employees, it turned into an opportunity for his staff to further their education and grow as individuals. Upon successful completion of the 15-month program, employees earn two credits towards the college-level Ontario Management Development Program.

A man with strong family values, Longo has continuously supported organizations that help children become healthy, productive and independent adults. He annually contributes to The Hospital for Sick Children, Variety Village, Breakfast Clubs, and at least 30 hockey, soccer and baseball teams. His most recent efforts involve participation in the development of the new Longo's Kitchen in the Albert Schnell Learning and Catering Centre for the School of Hospitality, Recreation and Tourism at Humber College.

## Summer Savings for Alumni

Once again this year the Alumni office will be selling discounted tickets to Paramount Canada's Wonderland for all Humber Alumni and staff. The tickets will be available mid-April. When you purchase a ticket through Alumni Services, you will save \$18.75 per adult ticket for spring tickets and \$13.75 on summer adult tickets. Children two and under are admitted to the park free.

Tickets may be purchased at the Alumni office by phone at 416-675-6622, ext. 4872. Please have your Visa or MasterCard number ready. Tickets will be mailed, so please allow a minimum of five business days for delivery. Debit, credit card and cash purchases will be accepted in-person at the registrar's office at either campus. Once you have paid for your ticket it will be available for pick-up at the Alumni office at the North Campus, H107, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.

### Spring tickets May 5 - June 30

\$32 each for ages 7 to 59 (a savings of more than \$18.75 per ticket).

\$24 each for ages 3-6 & 60+.

### Summer tickets Good any day for the 2002 season

\$36 each for ages 7 to 59 (a savings of \$13.75)

\$24 each for ages 3-6 & 60+.

### Fall tickets August 26 - October 13

\$32 each for ages 7 to 59 (a savings of \$13.75)

\$24 each for ages 3-6 & 60+.

Other Alumni benefits and affiliation programs include: MBNA Alumni MasterCard; Home & Auto Insurance; discounts on Dell Computers; access to the library at Humber; discounts on merchandise (excluding text books) at the book stores on campus; a discounted membership in the newly renovated Athletic Centre at North Campus. For information on these benefits you can check out the Alumni website at [www.alumni.humberc.on.ca](http://www.alumni.humberc.on.ca).



## Moved since graduation? Changed your address?

If you answered yes to any of the above we'd like to hear from you. Please contact the Alumni office with your updated information so that we can keep the database up-to-date. This is the information we need to know:

- 1 Your name, while attending Humber.
- 2 Your student number, if you can remember it.
- 3 Program graduated from and year graduated.
- 4 Old Address - just the number and street name.

5 New Address, City, Province, Postal Code, Phone Number.

6 Email address, if you have one.

### You can update your information, which ever way is easiest for you.

1. Call the Alumni office 416-675-6622 ext. 4872
2. Send an email [alumni@admin.humberc.on.ca](mailto:alumni@admin.humberc.on.ca)
3. Update it on the Alumni web site under the Keep in Touch section [www.alumni.humberc.on.ca](http://www.alumni.humberc.on.ca)
4. Send a fax to the Alumni office at 416.675.3141

## Rat on a Friend!

The Alumni Association is always looking for past graduates. We know you know where a few of them are! If you "rat on a friend" and send us a name that we don't have, along with a mailing or email address, we'll send you a complimentary Alumni bumper sticker and a pewter Alumni key chain.

The Rat on a Friend program is designed to bolster communication between the Alumni Office and you, the graduate. We want to be able to keep you updated about our services and activities.

Remember, your and your friends make the Alumni Association what it is. Let's work together!

Fill out this form and send it to:

Alumni Services  
250 Humber College Blvd.  
Rm. H107  
Toronto, ON  
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Your Name

Mailing Address

Your Friend's Name

Mailing or Email Address

*Thank You, and Keep In Touch!*

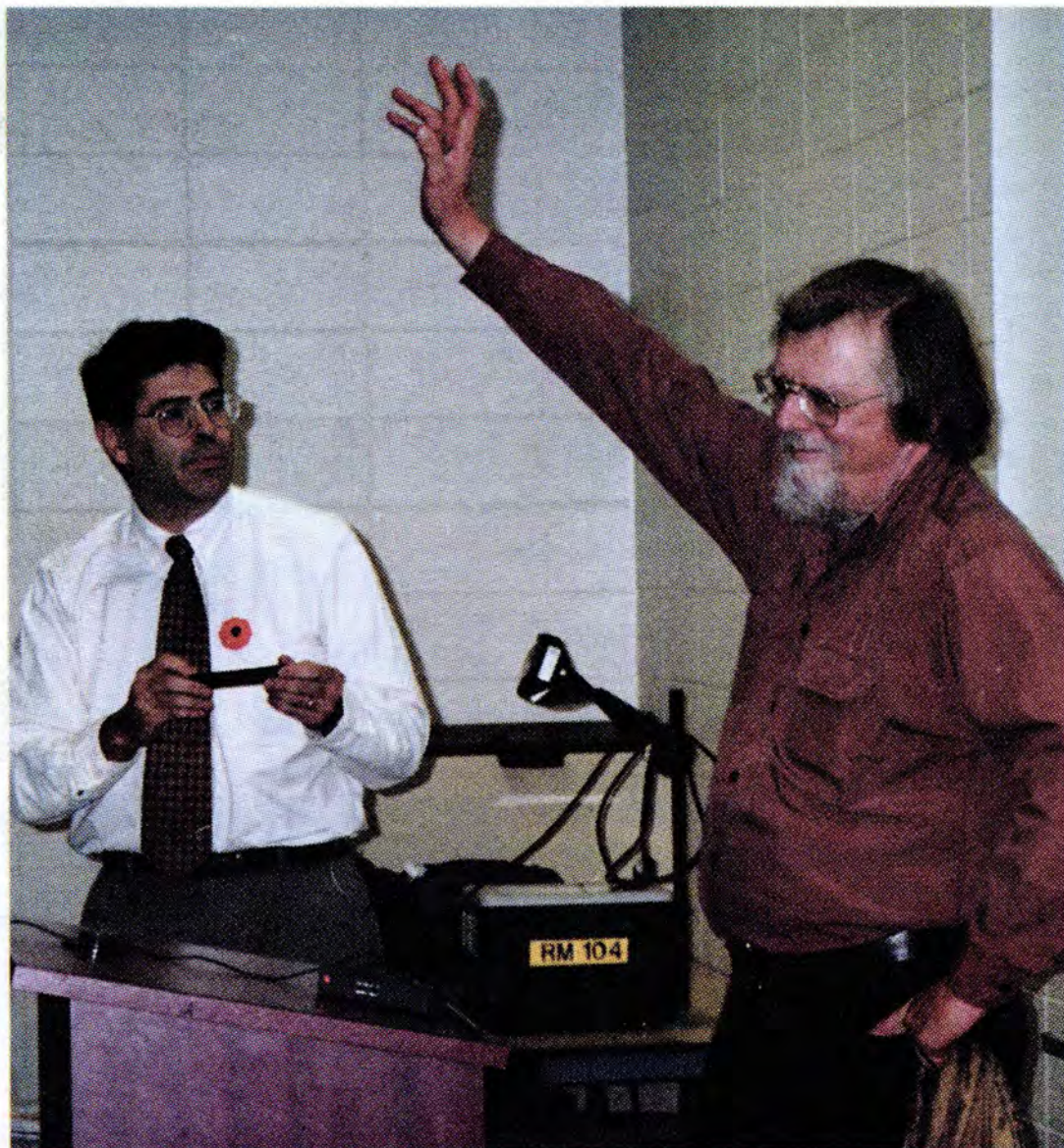
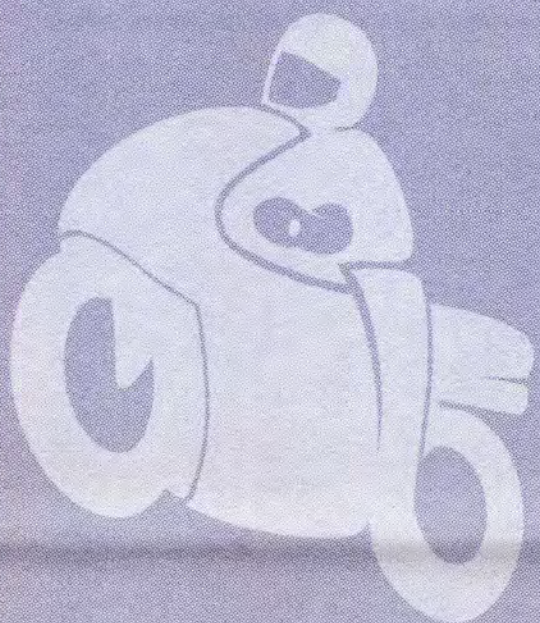


## Humber Motorcycle Training program the largest single training site in North America

The Motorcycle Training program experienced a record season in 2001. Enrolment in all courses set precedent numbers. In Basic Rider Training, the flagship course, enrolment reached over 2900 students. This is the highest in the history of the program and makes the Humber College Motorcycle program the largest single training site in North America!

Through a new partnership with Yamaha Motor Canada, the Humber Motorcycle Training program is expanding its courses as far east as North York, and has added eighty 2002 Yamaha TTR125's for training. Courses for the 2002 season will commence on March 28<sup>th</sup>.

Contact: Wendy Moher at 416-798-0300.



## Humber hosts discussion with Dr. Gwynne Dyer

Since the attacks of September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001, and the subsequent 'War on Terrorism' declared by the International Coalition, there are a number of questions on people's minds. In an effort to answer some of these questions, and to encourage discussion on this global event, Humber College invited Dr. Gwynne Dyer to speak to staff and students.

Dyer is well known for his commentary and analysis on CBC television and his award-winning TV series "War". He is touring Canadian colleges and universities to lecture on the origins and likely direction of the new war.

Dyer lectured and took questions for almost two hours on topics ranging from the reaction the terrorists hoped to elicit from the USA, to Canada's role in the war and the possibility of World War III.

Dyer lectured on the origins and likely direction of 'the new war' on terrorism

The audience was relieved to hear the following statement. "What you can't get out of this is World War III," said Dyer, "World War III has been cancelled. Every great power is in the Coalition [Against Terrorism] and you can't have a world war without someone on the other side."

## Film by Humber Professor screened at Savannah Festival

*Wayson Choy: Unfolding The Butterfly (Secrets & Memories)*, by Humber College professor, Michael Glassbourg, was one of only 30 films selected to be screened at the 2000 Savannah Film & Video Festival in Georgia. The competition attracts 1200 entries from around the world. Glassbourg had the privilege of taking his film to the festival last November.

"Savannah was an amazing experience," says producer/director Glassbourg. "It was an opportunity to meet and hang out with film makers from around the world –

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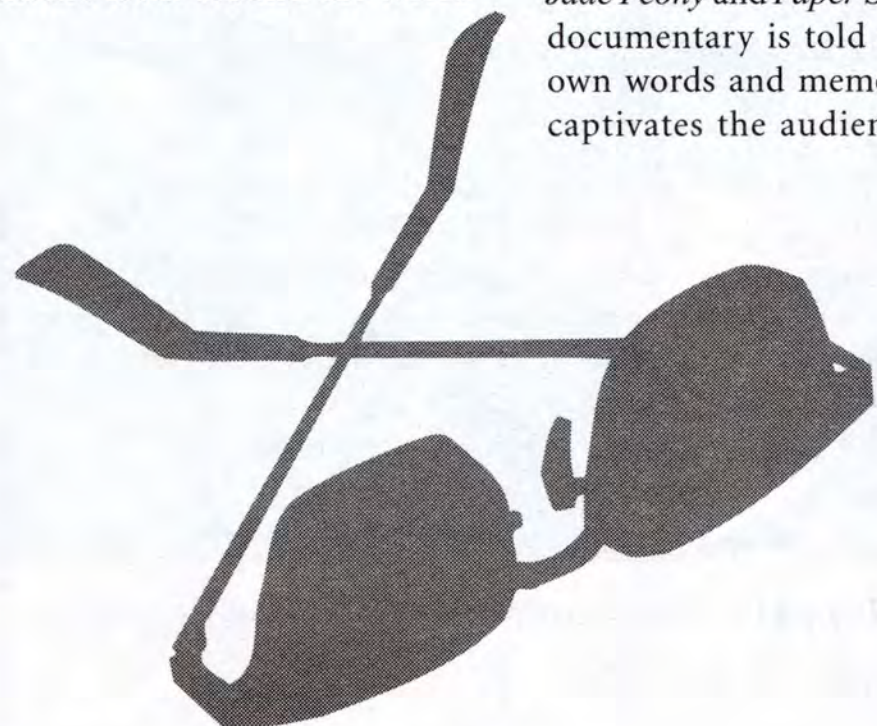
and the films were good as well!"

The documentary explores the extraordinary life of Wayson Choy, fellow Humber professor and Trillium Award-winning author of *The Jade Peony* and *Paper Shadows*. The documentary is told through his own words and memories. "Choy captivates the audience with his

whimsical look at growing up Chinese in Canadian society," says Glassbourg. "The documentary creates a visual interpretation of Choy's words as he gives insight into his life and creative process."

The documentary was photographed by Arthur Campus, a professor in the Film and Television Production Program at Humber, and edited by Jill Baker, a graduate of the Program. Producer/director, Michael Glassbourg, began his career in the theatre before turning his energies to film. His previous films have been celebrated at festivals such as the Chicago Film Festival and the ImagiNATIVE Aboriginal Media Arts Festival. He is currently a professor in the Film and Television Production Program in the School of Media Studies at Humber.

Contact: Michael Glassbourg at 416-675-6622 ext. 4489.



## Creative Writing Correspondence Program Approved for Post-diploma Status

Students who complete the Humber School for Writers (HSW) Creative Writing by Correspondence program will be granted a Post-Diploma Certificate by Humber College thanks to recent approval from the Ministry of Colleges and Universities, Province of Ontario.

Joe Kertes, Dean of the College's School of Creative & Performing Arts, is pleased with the Ministry decision.

"To the best of my knowledge, the Creative Writing by Correspondence program is the only program of its kind in Canada," he says. "Students are drawn by the opportunity to correspond with a renowned author. Now, by successfully completing the course, they'll also earn a college credit which will be useful should they decide to apply to any Ontario college or university program."

Beginning each January, and offered over a 30-week period, the Creative Writing by Correspondence program allows aspiring authors to have a novel, book of short stories, volume of poetry, or a work of creative non-fiction critiqued - either via the postal system or by electronic mail.

This year's faculty includes David Adams Richards, Sandra Birdsell, Peter Carey, Karen Connelly, Robyn Davidson, Timothy Findley, Elisabeth Harvor, Isabel Huggan, Kim Moritsugu, Bruce Powe, Richard Scrimger, Olive Senior, Sarah Sheard, Antanas Sileika, Susan Swan, D.M. Thomas, and M. G. Vassanji.

Contact: Joe Kertes at 416-675-6622 ext. 4201.



## Sailing through the Winter

The Humber Sailing & Powerboating Centre is now open year round! The Centre is one of Canada's leading educational facilities committed to teaching safe boating. A new permanent facility means the Centre can offer classroom instruction through the winter and spring.

"We offer winter programs that don't require that students be out on the water such as: Performance Sail Trim, Diesel Engine Maintenance, Coastal Navigation and Weather Forecasting," says Scott Hughes, Executive Director. Many of the courses are eligible for use toward the Canadian Yachting Association certification.

Nearer to sailing season, other courses will be offered such as: Pleasure Craft Operator's Card (accredited), VHF Radio and Toronto Harbour Licence. An Open House will be held at the Centre at 100 Humber Bay Park West on Saturday, April 20, 2002. All levels of sailing and powerboating 'on the water' courses begin in April and May. Further information is available at [www.sailing.humberc.on.ca](http://www.sailing.humberc.on.ca).

Contact: Scott Hughes at 416-252-7291 or email [sailing@humberc.on.ca](mailto:sailing@humberc.on.ca)



# Students Design Posters for RCMP

Humber College students teamed up with the RCMP in the fight against drug smuggling. The RCMP Airport Division asked students in Advertising & Graphic Design to collaborate with the Media Copywriting students to write and design posters discouraging young people from swallowing drugs for the purpose of illegal importation.

According to Corporal Larry Foy, the RCMP is aware of the reputation of Humber students for producing high quality, professional work and requested that teams of art directors and writers submit posters to effectively communicate the dangers

of ingesting drugs for the purpose of smuggling. Entries were judged based on creativity, power of impact and suitability for a public venue.

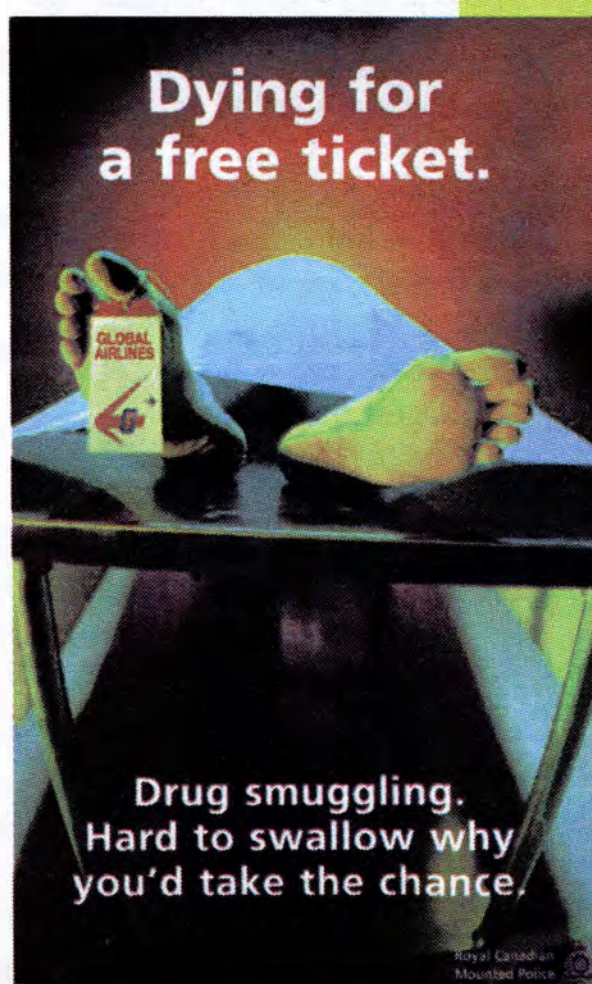
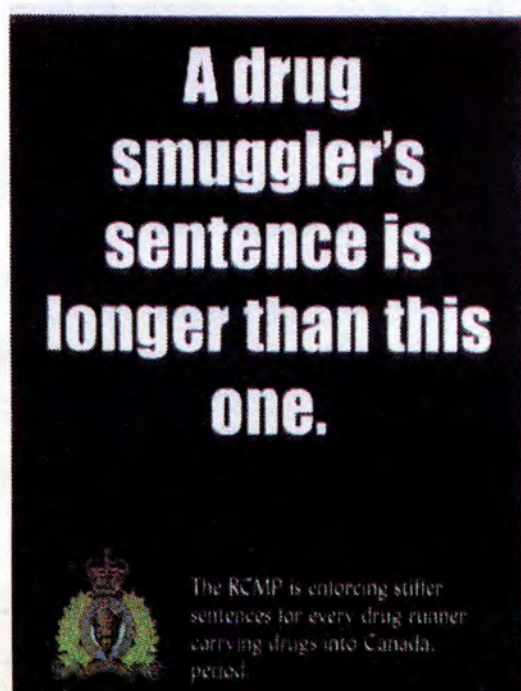
Michael Cochrane, a student in the postgraduate Media Copywriting program, is a member of one of the teams whose poster has been chosen for public display in the airport. "The fact that it was a real-life situation and a chance to have something professionally produced made the project really enjoyable," explains Cochrane. "The challenge was to be creative but stay within corporate constraints and as students we had a fresh approach from the perspective of the age group making up the target audience."

Entries were judged at the RCMP headquarters on November 23,

2001. A panel comprised of media professionals, RCMP and airport representatives selected four posters, each of which was awarded a \$200 prize contributed by the RCMP. The posters will be displayed in airports throughout Canada and published as public service announcements in in-flight magazines.

Contact: Joanne Lehman at 416-675-6622 ext. 4129.

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## The flag on your backpack won't help you here



Drug Trafficking is a criminal offence. If you thought hostels were bad you should see a prison cell.

Gendarmerie royale du Canada



## Students Earn Professional Accreditation with Business Diploma

Students taking their Business Administration Diploma at Humber College can now receive professional accreditation at the same time. This new arrangement means that students can earn recognition from

Humber is one of the first schools in Toronto to offer three accreditation opportunities to Business Administration and Continuing Education students

According to Laurie Turner, Coordinator of the Business Administration program, a relationship between a business school and professional association reinforces the industry recognition that the program receives and as a result, students benefit. "Students gain validation and professional recognition from a professional association and it also provides them with a networking opportunity," says Turner.

Part-time students can also gain professional accreditation for the HRPAC, CSI or CIM, even if they are not Business Administration students. "The courses are bundled separately for Continuing Education students and are offered as separate certification," explains Turner. Continuing Education students who are working towards their diploma on a part-time basis, however, are still eligible for professional accreditation at graduation as long as they have completed the required classes.

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the Human Resources Professionals Association of Ontario (HRPAO), the Canadian Securities Institute (CSI) or the Canadian Institute of Management (CIM) while fulfilling requirements for graduation from the three-year Business Administration Diploma.

## The Write Stuff

The Humber School for Writers Literary Agency continues to enjoy considerable success thanks to the efforts of Margaret Hart, Joe Kertes and Madeleine Matte.

A number of manuscripts, sold by the Agency, now inhabit shelf space in bookstores and libraries across Canada. These include *Every Wickedness* by Cathy Vasas-Brown (Doubleday), *The African Safari Papers* by Robert Sedlack (Doubleday), *Certifiable* by Pamela Mordecai (Goose Lane), *Ten Good Seconds of Silence* by Elizabeth Ruth (Dun-

The future looks bright for the fledgling agency

durn), and *Swimming Into Darkness* by Gail Helgason (Coteau).

*Love Object* by Sally Cooper and '13' by Mary Lou Zeitoun are being released in Spring 2002.

"I'm pleased with what we've

been able to achieve so far," says Joe Kertes, Dean, School of Creative and Performing Arts. "Already we've established a fine reputation with publishers."

The future looks bright for the fledgling agency. "In addition to what we've been able to sell to date," explains Margaret Hart, "we have an offer for a work of non-fiction and a murder mystery. Also, Cathy Vasas-Brown and Robert Sedlack are revising second novels for Doubleday."

Contact: Margaret Hart at 416-675-6622 ext. 4577.

## Students donate to Humber Arboretum

The Humber Students' Federation (HSF) has donated \$1,000 to the Humber Arboretum in memory of the victims of September 11, 2001. The Arboretum is a centre for urban ecology located at the North Campus of Humber College.

"The purpose of the HSF is to encourage and support students," says Adam Hackett, VP of Administration, North Campus, HSF. In helping the Arboretum we help the Applied Technology students, the students in residence and anyone who enjoys being around nature. We gave the money in memory of the victims of September 11<sup>th</sup> because we felt that we needed to do something. The Arboretum provided us with that opportunity."

To find out more about the Humber Arboretum, visit the Web site at [www.humberarboretum.on.ca](http://www.humberarboretum.on.ca).

HSF Contact: Sonia Tessaro at 416-675-6622 ext. 5496.



## Journalism faculty speak at conference in New Orleans

Two Humber Journalism professors were invited to present a workshop on student magazine production at the recent annual joint conference of College Media Advisers and the U.S. National Student Press Association in New Orleans.

Carey French and Terri Arnott discussed ways students and their advisers could establish speciality magazines for special populations that will help students learn to write for audiences different than themselves. The Humber faculty shared tips and techniques used here to produce seven separate magazines annually for six different audience groups. Each magazine is a class project that

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results in a glossy, full-colour print magazine and an on-line version. (on-line versions are available at <http://magazines.humberc.on.ca>)

Arnott and French, who are members of the U.S.-based College Media Advisers, have been asked to head up a committee to encourage more international participation and exchange of ideas at the Fall conference with the Student Press Association and in the Spring with the Columbia Scholastic Press Association of Columbia University School of Journalism.

**Contact: Terri Arnott at 416-675-5007 (editorial voice mail) or 416-675-6622 ext. 4518.**

## Learning on-line

Students of all ages are tailoring on-line learning courses to fit around busy personal schedules. Doug McComber enrolled in C Programming with Unix through Humber College while serving in Afghanistan with the Canadian Navy! Flexibility and convenience are the main reasons students report for choosing to take on-line courses in Accounting, Business Management, Police Foundations, Technical Writing and Computer/Internet Studies.

Christie Lihou, a Human Resources Consultant at Humber College, has found that on-line learning offers a practical solution for a mature student who wants to upgrade or work towards certification. She is currently taking Adult Learning through distance education at Humber College. With young children at home and a professional career, Lihou

believes that she would not have been able to take classes if not for on-line learning. "Attending three hour lectures on weeknights or weekends was not an option," says Lihou. "I needed something that would make time work for me."

Although Lihou finds that instructors have been extremely accessible and helpful, she has been impressed by the additional learning opportunities that distance education offers. "Group work has very much been the highlight of this course," she states. "E-learning provides a lot of opportunities to learn from classmates in new and different ways."

Improvements in on-line teaching tools have made on-line learning a viable option for students. WebCT is an application that Humber uses to ensure that students have equal access to email, presentation tools, quizzes, assignments and on-line

collaboration forums like whiteboards, message boards and real-time chat.

Chris Coleman, Instructional Designer for On-line Learning at Humber College, finds that most students respond well to WebCT since it is easy to navigate and provides effective communication tools despite being an older application. "On-line learning offers education opportunities that people wouldn't otherwise have," says Coleman. "It will never replace traditional classroom learning, but as lifelong learning becomes more important,

on-line education will become more prevalent."

The 577 students registered for on-line learning courses in the Fall semester were able to take advantage of the free support offered by the Open Learning Centre. "Some students need the flexibility of an on-line forum but are not familiar with the technology," explains Ruth Hickey, Manager of the Open Learning Centre. "We walk students through the process of accessing the course and feeling comfortable with the WebCT tool."

According to Coleman, about 40% of the population have characteristics that make them potential on-line learners. Criteria for successful learners include being able to overcome distractions, having confidence in personal abilities to learn independently and being committed to completing the program. To help potential students decide whether or not on-line learning is an option, sample on-line lessons are posted on the Humber Web site at [http://twdemo:twdemo@webct.humberc.on.ca:8600/SCRIPT/TWDEMO\\_deblyw/scripts/serve\\_home](http://twdemo:twdemo@webct.humberc.on.ca:8600/SCRIPT/TWDEMO_deblyw/scripts/serve_home).

**Contact: Paul Avon at 416-675-6622 ext. 4378.**

## Marsalis motivates music students

Branford Marsalis, one of the world's premiere jazz saxophonists, recently spent a couple of hours at Humber's Lakeshore Campus answering questions from students enrolled in the College's Music program. Marsalis was in town with his jazz quartet to perform at the Toronto Centre for the Performing Arts.

"One of our students studied with Branford Marsalis at a summer workshop in the States," explains Denny Christianson, Director of Music at Humber. "When we found out he'd be performing in Toronto, I contacted his management group about the possibility of a Humber visit."

No one questions Marsalis' musical savvy, but equally impressive is his knowledge of current events, history, literature, and other musical forms. Frequent references to Shakespeare, historical data, opera and pop peppered his dialogue with the audience.

He offered sage advice. "There are no short-cuts to playing well," he told the students. "Either you're prepared or not."

When asked about what inspires him, Marsalis pointed out that he was energized by great music - be it jazz, classical, or pop. "There's a lot of bad stuff out there, so you have to actively hunt for the good. But, remember one thing: the hunt is worth it."

The multi-Grammy Award winning Marsalis was born in New Orleans into a musical family that



includes brothers Wynton, Delfeayo, and Jason, and the family patriarch Ellis Marsalis. In addition to performing at all the major jazz venues in North America and Europe, he has also played with symphony orchestras as well as with Sting, Bruce Hornsby, and The Grateful Dead.

"His life story is unique," explains second-year Music student Young Jik. "He's part of an incredibly musical family. What I like best about him, though, is that he's always been innovative in his approach to jazz. That's what makes him great."

That about sums it up.

**Contact: Denny Christianson at 416-675-6622 ext. 3327.**

## Grad wins Gemini

Jason Rouse knows a thing or two about making people laugh. He's so good at it, in fact, that he won a Gemini - Best Performance in a Comedy Special or Series - for the hour-long *Comedy Now with Jason Rouse* special featured on the Comedy Network and on CTV.

Things have been going rather well for the 1999 graduate of the Comedy Writing & Performance (Certificate) program. He's auditioned twice for *Saturday Night Live*, is being considered for a feature starring Will Farrell and Vince Vaughan, and is shopping around his own TV series. He's also a regular on the stand-up circuit in comedy clubs around town.

"I'm glad I did the program," he says. "I learned things that are really useful to me now. I got the SNL audition out of it and I really feel good about where my career is going. Winning the Gemini was a bonus, for sure."

Humber's year-long Comedy Writing and Performance Certificate program is designed for college and university graduates, or for mature students with some experience in the field.

**Contact: Allan Guttman at 416-675-6622 ext. 4163.**

## Job Seekers and Employers Come Together at the Humber College - Rexdale Employment Resource Centre

Over the past few years, many employers have made presentations at the Humber College - Rexdale Employment Resource Centre, informing people about the scope of their business, labour market trends, and hiring practices. These Human Resource Managers and staff are eager to share their expertise, and it's a wonderful opportunity to network with them! While our employers refrain from actually recruiting on site, they have given lots of advice to job seekers over the years:

- Stress your accomplishments
- Personal management skills are just as important as the technical skills required to do the job
- Transferable skills can be more important than Canadian work experience
- Make sure your skills are up to date

One of the best ways to connect with employers is still through the Internet. Research labour market trends, find out which employers are hiring and email your resume directly. Over 40 computers are available at the Rexdale Employment Resource Centre and clients have ample opportunity to job search electronically.

The Humber College - Rexdale Employment Resource Centre is



a free service to job seekers and is funded by Human Resources Development Canada. It provides access to computers and Internet, photocopier, fax machines and job search resources including help from knowledgeable staff. Regular job search workshops are offered. Anyone looking for work is able to attend our special events, guest speaker sessions or job search work-

shops by calling us at 416-748-7200, or subscribing to our eNewsletter through [rexerc@interlog.com](mailto:rexerc@interlog.com).

**Hours of Service:**  
Mondays and Thursdays,  
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays,  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



## New partners for Law Firm Profile program

Humber's Business School has welcomed three additional major downtown law firms as educational partners for its unique Law Firm Profile program. The firms of Davies Ward Phillips & Vineberg LLP, Donahue Ernst & Young LLP, and Minden Gross Grafstein & Greenstein LLP have joined an expanding group of prominent Toronto firms that regularly sponsor Humber students on field placements in legal administrative positions. Humber students not only gain practical experience working with top-notch professionals at the prestigious firms but they also receive payment for the services they perform during the eight-week placement. The law firms actively recruit Humber students upon graduation with a hire-back rate approaching one hundred percent.

Contact: Carolyn Smith at 416-675-6622 ext. 4371.

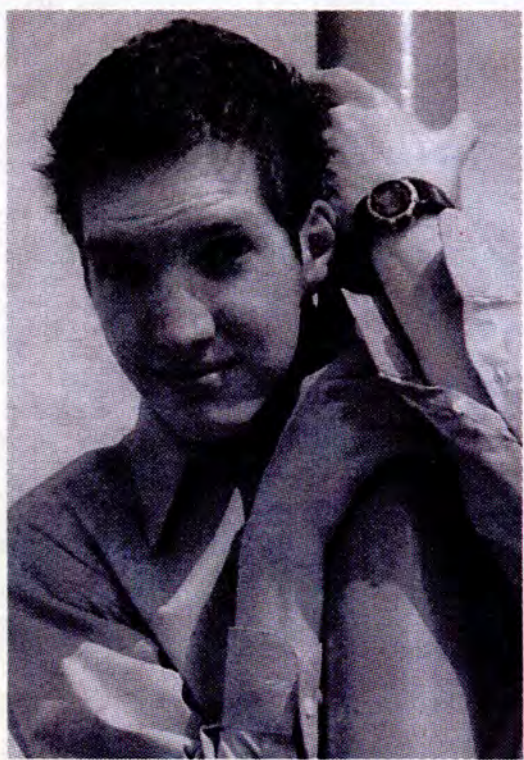
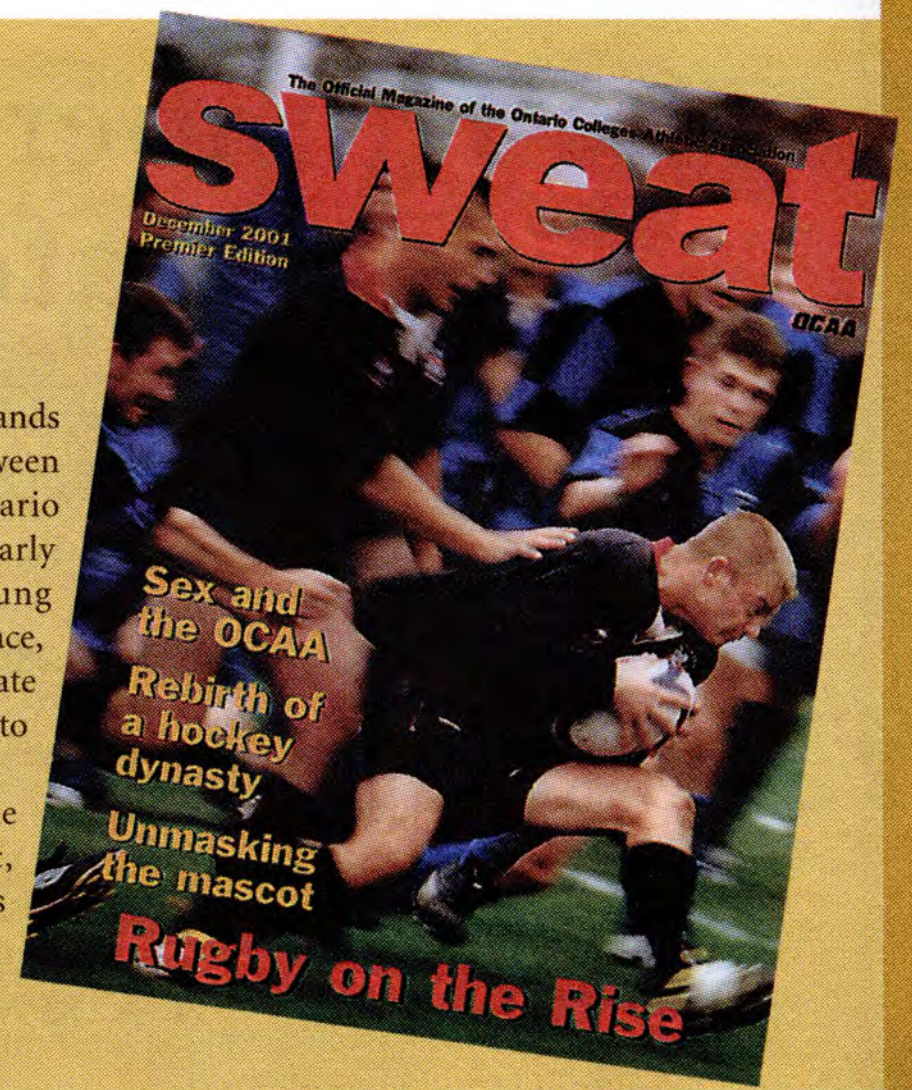
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## SWEAT Official Magazine of the Ontario Colleges Athletics Association

A new magazine, bearing the gritty title *SWEAT*, hit the stands this month, bringing to fruition a collaboration between Humber's Advanced Magazine pathway and the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA). This twice-yearly magazine (Fall and Spring), aims to give these young journalists an opportunity to work in the 'real' marketplace, while providing the OCAA a forum in which to celebrate the achievements – and focus on the issues – of interest to athletes at the province's 30 community colleges.

Reaction to the premier edition (which is also available on the Internet) has been unanimously enthusiastic, demonstrated by the fact that the first 5,000 issues disappeared like sand through the fingers.

Contact: Carey French at 416-675-6622 ext. 4518.



## Comedy grad wins award

The winner of this year's Tim Sims Encouragement Award was Levi MacDougall, a graduate of the Comedy: Writing and Performance program. The award was presented at the Cream of Comedy Show held recently at Second City.

"For me, the greatest thing about winning was that it never seemed like a competition," says MacDougall. "It still felt intimate. To be able to do this big, high-profile show and look out into the audience and see friends, teachers from Humber, and allies from Yuk-Yuk's – all the people who have been helping me along the way – was fantastic. Besides, as a guy, it's always nice to have a valid excuse to wear make-up!"

Established six years ago to commemorate the late Tim Sims, a Toronto-based comedian known for his unique comedic style and for encouraging young talent, the Tim Sims Encouragement Award recognizes up-and-coming comedic entertainers. The Award carries a cash prize of \$2001.

A native of Calgary, Alberta, MacDougall credits his time at Humber with much of his success. "For me, the program was indispensable," he explains. "It got me to Toronto, immersed me in the comedy scene, and put me in contact with teachers who were willing to let me pick openly at their brains."

MacDougall is content with life at the moment. "I hope to continue writing as much as possible while still performing stand-up comedy and character pieces. I'm satisfied with how things are going right now. I just want to increase the frequency and quality of the work."

## Steel detailing program a win for students and construction industry

Humber College, in partnership with Steel Plus Network, is offering the first steel detailing training program in the province of Ontario. The program offers specialized training to graduates in the fields of architecture, civil engineering or building design that ends with a placement with Steel Plus Network fabricator members. The first graduates completed the program on December 7, 2001.

"We are able to offer this career opportunity to civil engineers who have been educated outside of Canada and assist them in training to work in their chosen profession here," says Robert Moulton, Dean of the School of Applied Technology at Humber. "There has been a lot of interest in this new program from prospective students."

This unique industry/college partnership should help to alleviate the problem of the lack of detailers in the steel construction industry. The program was launched in 1998 in Quebec and, so far, 134 participants have completed the course and found employment with Steel Plus Network throughout North America.

Contact: Connie Eggins at 416-675-6622 ext. 4132.

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## Concert and Workshops Delight Students

When Judy Kay from the Music Department at the University of Toronto School invited Humber to participate in a day-long workshop for students from five secondary schools, Denny Christianson, Humber's Director of Music, was quick to agree. After all, sharing his own talent and expertise and that of his students is something he does on a regular basis.

Almost 200 students from Upper Canada College, University of Toronto School, DeLa Salle College, Agincourt, and St. Michael's College School gathered for the event which was hosted by Upper Canada College.

Workshops began following the playing of *Osage Autumn*, performed by the Humber Studio Jazz Ensemble, led by Christianson. The popular jazz tune was selected for its striking unison passages. Then, all the brass students in the crowd went off to work with Humber brass students, rhythm students worked with the Humber rhythm section, and sax students worked with Humber's saxophonists. Christianson himself took a small select group

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of improv students for an advanced improvisation clinic.

After lunch, the Humber group played a sizzling 50-minute concert, performing professional level material for the spellbound audience. Several styles of big-band jazz were featured along with commentary by Christianson to put it all into historical perspective.

Feedback indicates that Humber's efforts paid off handsomely and created a considerable impact on the music programs of each of the participating schools. More than likely, it also means an invitation to participate again next year.

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## And the Thalia goes to ...

Comic great, Chevy Chase, delighted students during the Farewell Luncheon at the 2001 Humber Comedy Workshop last July when he accepted the Thalia – The Humber Prize for Outstanding Achievement in the Comedic Arts.

The presentation was made by Dr. Robert A. Gordon, Humber President.

Following a number of anecdotes about his friends John Belushi and Bill Murray, and his unfortunate foray

into the 'talk show' game ("not a format that suited me"), Chase outlined the secret to his success.

"I'm famous," he explained, "because I said my name every week on *Saturday Night Live*." He was referring to his standard SNL opener: "Hello. I'm Chevy Chase and you're not".

"Comedy is about actual belly-laughs," he told the students. "And,

remember, parody is always in. But fame has a downside. There's loss of privacy, for instance. And, that's tough."

As for the future, there may be another *National Lampoon Vacation* movie in the works.

Chevy Chase made his name in 1975 as a writer and performer on *Saturday Night Live*. After a year on the show, he headed for Hollywood where he launched a successful film career. In addition to the four *National*

*Lampoon Vacation* movies, his film credits include *Snow Day* (2000), *Dirty Work* (1998), *Last Action Hero* (1993), *Hero* (1992), *L. A. Story* (1991), *Fletch Lives* (1989), *Funny Farm* (1988), *Three Amigos!* (1986), *Spies Like Us* (1985), *Caddyshack* (1980), *Foul Play* (1978), and others.

Past recipients of the Thalia include the legendary Steve Allen,

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as well as George Shapiro and Carol Leifer for producing and writing *Seinfeld*, and Joe Flaherty and Eugene Levy for their work on *SCTV*.

Contact: Joe Kertes at 416-675-6622 ext. 4201.



# The Humber College Mission Statement

At Humber College, we strive for an open, respectful and welcoming educational environment which is responsive to the needs of our students, our staff, our community and our nation. Our College proudly reflects the richness and diversity of the Canadian community: the many cultures, the economic backgrounds, the differing age groups, the many ideas that have solidified our democracy. We aim for high standards of teaching and learning and we are dedicated to anticipating the changes in our society and to responding to those changes in practical but innovative ways.

## TO FULFIL THESE GOALS, WE ARE COMMITTED TO:

### Learner Success

by providing programs and services appropriate to the needs and ambitions of our students.

### Partnerships

by collaborating with business, industry and other educational institutions to ensure curriculum continuity and currency and to encourage and ease the transition for our students into the working world.

### Lifelong Learning

by offering a vast range of part-time and continuing education programming, integrated with our full-time programming and by advancing, fostering and supporting a learning culture.

### Professional Development

by creating learning opportunities for teachers and staff to ensure currency and to provide occasions for renewal.

### Unique Programs

by launching unique programs, including the largest number of one-year postgraduate programs of any institution in Canada.

### General Education

by maintaining a rich general component in our

curricula in order to foster and enhance critical thinking, communication skills, and cultural and social understanding in our students.

### Customized Training

by providing learning tailored solutions to the competitive and evolving needs of organizations.

### Flexible Delivery

by employing a variety of delivery systems, including advanced information technologies, aimed at maximizing access and learning and at accommodating differing learning styles.

### Internationally Recognized Programs

by launching programs of international calibre and by developing cooperative international activities which foster human resource development for students, staff and international partners.

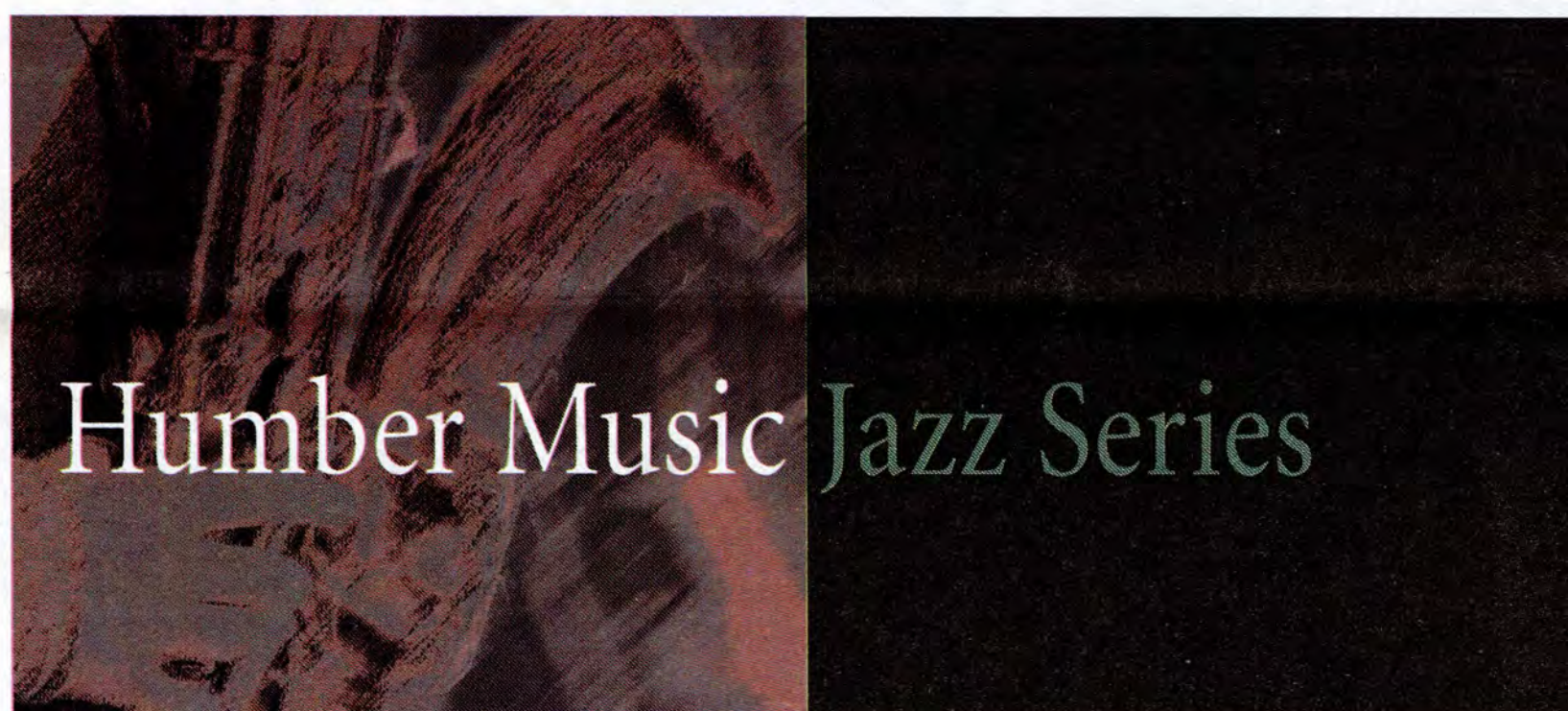
### Our Values

by respecting individual differences, by encouraging risk-taking, by supporting participative decision-making and by confidently showing the way in postsecondary education.

# The Board of Governors

Humber College is governed by a conscientious group of community members whose mandate is to define College purpose and direction, maintain effective communication with the College community, ensure that the College is capably and efficiently managed, and establish College policy.

Brien G. Gray (Chair)	Robert A. Gordon (College President)
Stuart L. Smith (Vice-Chair)	James Hayes
Nancy Adamo	Tom Hennebury
Gary Begg	Madge Logan
Blair Carter	Ann Medina
Joan Edwards	John Pulla
George Ferguson	Michael Ruscigno
Jenny González	John Sullivan
	Murray Tuck



## Humber Music Jazz Series

The Humber Music Jazz Series, directed by the top names in Canadian jazz, showcases the talents of the finest jazz students enrolled in the Music program at Humber College.

### Artist Week Showcase

February 6, 2002	8:00 p.m.
Featuring:	Renee Rosnes with Don Thompson's Ensemble Denny Christianson's Big Band
Admission:	\$8 general \$5 students

### Latin Jazz Night

March 20, 2002	8:00 p.m.
Featuring:	Ensembles of Hilario Duran and Rick Lazar
Admission:	\$8 general \$5 students

### Evening with Guido Basso

April 10, 2002	8:00 p.m.
Featuring:	Guido Basso Denny Christianson's Big Band The Jim Lewis Big Band
Admission:	\$12 general \$8 students

All concerts take place in the Lakeshore Campus Auditorium, Lakeshore Campus, 3199 Lakeshore Blvd., West (one block west of Kipling Avenue).

**Tickets are available at the door, or by calling 416-675-6622 ext. 3427.**



## THEATRE HUMBER 2002 PRODUCTION SEASON

Faculty and students in the Theatre Performance and Theatre Production are pleased to present two plays sure to please and entertain.

### A Midsummer Night's Dream – William Shakespeare

February 15 to February 23, 2002

8:00 p.m.

(a number of matinee performances are also scheduled)

**Admission: \$8 general \$3 students**

Shakespeare's most romantic comedy of young love and enchantment will be performed by a third year ensemble cast under the direction of Mark Schoenberg.

### At the Black Pig's Dyke – Vincent Woods

April 5 to April 13, 2002

8:00 p.m.

(a number of matinee performances are also scheduled)

**Admission: \$8 general \$3 students**

This passionate and savage play, set in Ireland, depicts a long history of love and hatred. It will be performed by a third year ensemble cast under the direction of Diana Belshaw.

Theatre Humber is located in L Building at the Lakeshore Campus (Kipling Avenue immediately south of Lakeshore Blvd. West).

**Tickets are available at the door, or by calling 416-675-6622 ext. 3414.**