



Distinguished Alumni Awards

February 8, 2012
University of Victoria

WELCOME



It's my pleasure to welcome you to the Distinguished Alumni Awards, one of the signature events of Alumni Week 2012.

I join you in looking forward to an inspiring evening as we meet 12 outstanding members of our alumni community. As in past years, each of tonight's recipients was selected by their respective faculties, divisions and – for the first time – the University Libraries.

The focus of Alumni Week 2012 is "leaders in our communities" and indeed tonight's recipients exemplify this theme in remarkable ways.

To the recipients, I extend sincere congratulations. On behalf of your fellow alumni, we're proud of your accomplishments and we're proud of your connection to UVic.

Peter Tanner, BA '91
President, UVic Alumni Association

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

Welcome - Chancellor Murray Farmer, BA '68

Greetings - Valerie Kuehne, Vice-President, External Relations

Distinguished Alumni Award Presentations:

Faculty of Social Sciences

Faculty of Law

Division of Medical Sciences

Faculty of Fine Arts

Faculty of Human and Social Development

Faculty of Education

Faculty of Science

Division of Continuing Studies

University Libraries

Faculty of Humanities

Faculty of Engineering

Peter B. Gustavson School of Business

Closing remarks

Please join us for a post-awards reception!

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD RECIPIENTS

Faculty of Social Sciences

Hon. Marion Ruth Buller Bennett, BA '75, LLB '87

Provincial Court judge and first female First Nations member of the BC judiciary

A member of Saskatchewan's *Mistawasis First Nation*, the Judge Marion Ruth Buller Bennett is the first and only First Nations woman to have been appointed to the bench at any level in British Columbia. Based in Port Coquitlam, she has been a Provincial Court judge since 1994 and has presided over the First Nations Court, which she initiated, since 2006.

The First Nations Court sits monthly in New Westminster and provides an alternative to the conventional court structure by focusing on community and ensuring everyone involved has a chance to speak and be heard during sentencing.



Faculty of Law

Hon. Thomas Crabtree, LLB '83

Chief Judge, Provincial Court of BC

The Hon. Thomas (Tom) Crabtree is Chief Judge of the Provincial Court of British Columbia.

Chief Judge Thomas Crabtree has been active in judicial education having served on the Court's Education Committee for a number of years and chaired the committee from 2004 to 2008. In 2007 he participated in a delegation of judges who met with Chinese judges in Beijing, Shanghai and Hong Kong. He continues to be involved in the development and planning of judicial programs and seminars.

Appointed Chief Judge in 2012, he divides his time between administrative duties of the court and sitting in various court locations throughout the province.



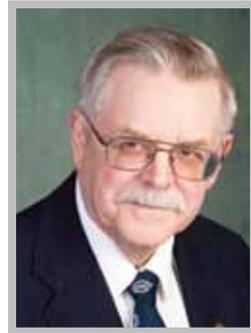
Division of Medical Sciences

Dr. Bruce Crawford, BSc '65

Influential medical educator and space science researcher

Dr. Bruce Crawford has dedicated his career to the education of medical students and medical research. He joined UBC's Faculty of Medicine in 1977 and in 2004 he returned to UVic to teach anatomy, histology and neuroanatomy in the Island Medical Program, Division of Medical Sciences.

He was the first recipient of the Dr. Crawford Teaching Award, established by the IMP Class of 2008 to recognize the "teacher who made the most profound and positive impact on their first two years of medical training." Dr. Crawford's research on microgravity included participation in a 1996 Canadian Space Agency/NASA project carried out by the crew of Space Shuttle Endeavour.



Faculty of Fine Arts

Esi Edugyan, BA '99

Giller Prize-winning novelist

Esi Edugyan's second novel — the highly acclaimed *Half-Blood Blues* — earned the \$50,000 Scotiabank Giller Prize and was short-listed for three other major literary awards in 2011: the Man Booker Prize, the Governor General's Literary Award for Fiction, and the Rogers Writers' Trust Fiction Prize.

Her debut novel, *The Second Life of Samuel Tyne*, was published internationally and was a finalist for the Hurston/Wright Legacy Award, and her writing has also appeared in such collections as *Best New American Voices and Revival: An Anthology of Black Canadian Writing*. She lives in Victoria with her husband — poet, novelist and UVic Writing instructor Steven Price — and their infant daughter.



Faculty of Human and Social Development

Lise Haddock, BSW '88

Executive Director, Lalum'utul'Smun'eem Cowichan Tribes Child and Family Services

Lise Haddock's leadership skills are centred on bringing people together in the best interests of Cowichan children.

She is the executive director of the Lalum'utul'Smun'eem Cowichan Tribes Child and Family Services, a position she has held since 1993, managing 30 employees. She helped the Lalum'utul Smun'eem receive adoption delegation – one of two First Nations in Canada to receive the designation and she is helping to develop the Cowichan Tribes Nation Based Child and Family Wellness Legislation which will take the nation toward self-determination.



Faculty of Education

Simon Ibell, BA '02

Founder, iBelieve Foundation

Simon Ibell is one of 30 people in Canada (and approximately 2,000 worldwide) born with Hunter Syndrome or MPS II (mucopolysaccharidosis). Told at an early age his lifespan would be limited, for 30 years has displayed remarkable courage, attitude and resiliency, living a full and purposeful life.

As the founder and CEO of the iBelieve Foundation, he spreads awareness of MPS and generates research funding so that a cure for MPS II and other rare diseases can be found. His goal is to give all children with MPS a chance of a longer life.



Faculty of Science

Dr. Mark Lewis, BSc '87

Leading mathematical biologist, focussed on ecological issues

Dr. Mark Lewis is a senior Canada Research Chair in Mathematical Biology at the University of Alberta. He is a leading thinker on issues such as climate change and resource management in Canada and globally.

He has also been effective in communicating his research to governments, the media, and the public on matters ranging from West Nile Virus (without overusing pesticides) to the potential impact of sea lice among farmed salmon on wild salmon stocks. He's the youngest recipient of the CRM-Fields-PIMS Prize for Exceptional Research in Mathematics, the top mathematics research prize in Canada.



Division of Continuing Studies

Margaret Lucas, Cert. '95

Victoria business community leader and manager, Hotel Rialto

Margaret Lucas has been employed in the Victoria hospitality industry for over 25 years, establishing herself as a force for positive change.

In 2003 she became manager of the Hotel Douglas. She was challenged to rejuvenate a business that had little to contribute to the appeal and allure of downtown. She set out to change the hotel from a liability to a community asset.

With a visionary business plan, Lucas has worked tirelessly to bring life back to a part of the downtown that was once considered undesirable.



University Libraries

Robert J. Wiersema, BA '93

Best-selling author and Bolen Books event coordinator

Robert J. Wiersema is one of Canada's foremost book reviewers and the author of four books of his own: *Before I Wake*, a national bestseller and Globe and Mail Best Book of 2006; *The World More Full of Weeping*, a novella which shortlisted for the Prix Aurora; *Bedtime Story*, a national bestseller in 2010; and *Walk Like a Man: Coming of Age with the Music of Bruce Springsteen*, his first non-fiction book.

By day, Wiersema is the event coordinator for Bolen Books, where he curates one of the foremost author signing and reading series in the country.



Faculty of Humanities

Jody Wilson-Raybould (Puglaas), BA '96

Regional Chief of BC, Assembly of First Nations

Jody Wilson-Raybould (Puglaas) is the Regional Chief of British Columbia for the Assembly of First Nations. She graduated from UVic with a double major in Political Science and History prior to earning her law degree from UBC.

She is a descendant of the *Musgamagw Tsawataineuk* and *Laich-Kwil-Tach* peoples, and a member of the *We Wai Kai Nation*. Regional Chief Wilson-Raybould has been an elected member of the AFN executive committee since October 2009. She and her husband Tim Raybould live at Cape Mudge Village, Quadra Island.



Faculty of Engineering

Lauren Woolstencroft, BEng '05

Multi-gold medalist, Paralympic skiing

Alpine skier Lauren Woolstencroft has won more than 50 World Cup medals, eight World Championship titles, 10 Paralympic medals, and was the 2006 International Paralympic Committee Athlete of the Year. At the 2010 Paralympic Winter Games in Vancouver, she became the first Canadian winter athlete to win five gold medals at a single Paralympics. Woolstencroft was subsequently named Canada's flag-bearer for the closing ceremonies.

A member of Canada's Sports Hall of Fame, Lauren was born without legs below the knee and no left arm below the elbow. She's employed by BC Hydro as an electrical engineer.



Peter B. Gustavson School of Business

G. Andrew Work, MBA '02

Executive Director, Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong

G. Andrew Work has spread the influence of his ideas and the interests of the Canadian business community in Hong Kong for more than 15 years. He currently leads the largest Canadian business organization outside of Canada, growing its membership more than 50 per cent and regularly hosting heads of state, CEOs and global business leaders.

Work is also co-founder and director of Hong Kong's most influential economic think-tank, the Lion Rock Institute, focusing on market solutions to Hong Kong's challenges.

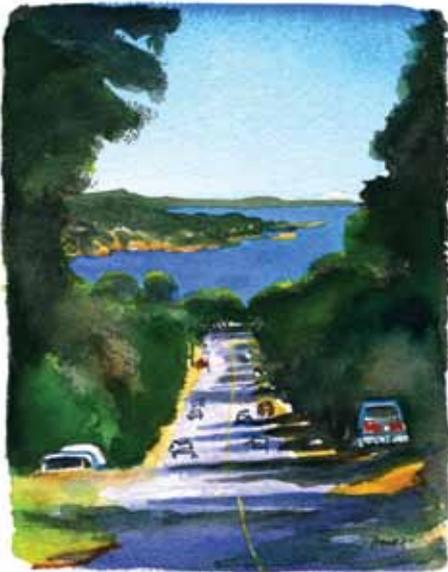


AWARD ARTIST

Each Distinguished Alumni Award recipient will receive a custom printed, framed copy of “Sinclair Road Hill,” by Victoria painter **Robert Amos**.

“One of my favourite features of Victoria is the way so many of our roads end in a view of the ocean,” says Amos. “Nowhere, it seems, does the ocean look so blue as it does from the top of the hill on Sinclair Road,” along the northern edge of campus.

A specialist in commissioned paintings of homes and gardens, Amos has been featured in solo shows at UVic’s Maltwood Museum and Art Gallery and the Legacy Art Gallery. His paintings have become part of the permanent collections of the University of Victoria, the City of Victoria and the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria.



“Sinclair Road Hill,” by Robert Amos

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UVic Distinguished
Alumni Award
Recipients!*

*Tempo Framing, as the diploma frame provider
for the University of Victoria, is pleased to
offer our sponsorship of this event by donating
our Canadian made frames for the
presentation of the awards.*

Best Wishes to all of the Recipients!



Leaders in our community

Alumni WEEK

Feb 6-12 2012



Alumni Week recognizes the thousands of UVic graduates who are leaders in our community.
Some of our featured events:

February 6

- Noon On-Campus Alumni Luncheon
- 5:30 The Two Most Powerful Moments in Business with Dr. Mark Colgate
- 6:30 Alumni Family Science Night

February 7

- 2:00 School of Nursing Alumni Reception
- 4:30 School of Child and Youth Care Alumni Reception
- 6:30 Authenticity at Work: Doing What You Love, Loving What You Do

February 8

- 3:30 "Chasing Dreams" presented by Lauren Woolstencroft, BEng '05, multi-gold medal winning Paralympic skier
- 3:30 Robert Wiersema Author Reading
- 7:00 Distinguished Alumni Awards

February 9

- 12:30 School of Health Information Science Alumni Luncheon
- 5:30 Indigenous Alumni Gathering
- 4:30 Teaching Awards Celebration
- 7:00 Adventures with Julie and Colin Angus

February 10

- 4:00 School of Public Administration Alumni Reception
- 4:00 Faculty of Education Alumni Celebration

February 11

- 11:30 Victoria College Alumni Chapter Lunch & Learn



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