



CANADIAN CENTRE FOR
DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Diversity Ink



MAY 2016

Good day,

We support a vision of a Canada without prejudice and discrimination – a country that celebrates diversity, difference and inclusion. The CCDI is proud to share with you our latest initiatives, events, and resources dedicated to driving the diversity conversation here in Canada.

Here is what the CCDI has been up to, and what we have in store:

AWARDS OF SUCCESS WINNERS ANNOUNCED

In early 2016, CCDI put out the call for our inaugural **Awards of Success** nominations, seeking individuals who have made a significant contribution to diversity and inclusion here in Canada.

This year's winners were announced on April 14, 2016, at the CCDI inaugural gala, **BLOOM!**, which took place at Toronto's historic Fairmount Royal York Hotel.

CCDI is proud to announce the 2016 Awards of Success recipients:

- Dentons Senior Executive of the Year:
Simon Fish, BMO.
- Home Depot Diversity and Inclusion Practitioner of the Year:
Normand St. Gelais, Sodexo
- HSBC Community Contributor of the Year:
Malinda Smith, University of Alberta.

CCDI would also like to take this opportunity to thank our generous award sponsors **Dentons**, **Home Depot**, and **HSBC**. We'd also like to thank our event sponsors **Cineplex Media**, **Sunlife Financial**, **Centennial College**, **Purolator**, **Robert Half**, **AV Canada** and **Canadian Immigrant**.

Thank you to all who joined us this year for BLOOM! Information regarding the 2017 gala is just around the corner.

[View the BLOOM! 2016 photo gallery.](#)



UPCOMING WEBINARS

CCDI | Webinar

Measuring diversity with a scorecard
with Cathy Gallagher-Louisy

May | 2016

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COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE EVENTS

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Women's advancement
Getting it right, right now

May | 2016

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FREE EVENT

Identifying and developing diversity champions

Saskatoon May 17

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FREE EVENT

Diversity on a dime

Winnipeg | May 19

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SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

CCDI | Speaking engagement

Diversity and theater
with Renée Bazile-Jones

Canadian Stage Workshop | May 9

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UPCOMING OBSERVANCES

May 1	Orthodox Easter
May 2	Orthodox Easter Monday
May 3	World Press Freedom Day World Asthma Day
May 4	Yom HaShoah Intl. Firefighters Day
May 5	Ascension Day Isra and Mi'raj Cinco de Mayo
May 8	Mother's Day
May 12	Yom Ha'atzmaut
May 14	Buddha's Birthday
May 15	Pentecost Intl. Day of Families
May 16	Whit Monday
May 17	Intl. Day Against Homophobia
May 18	Intl. Museum Day
May 20	"Vesak", the Day of the Full Moon
May 21	World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development
May 22	Trinity Sunday
May 23	Victoria Day (CDN) National Patriots' Day (QC) Declaration of the Báb
May 26	Corpus Christi Lag BaOmer
May 29	Intl. Day of UN Peacekeepers
May 31	Ascension of Baha'u'llah World No-Tobacco Day

SUCCESS STORIES

Published weekly or bi-weekly, the goal of our **Success Stories** initiative is to support diversity and inclusion leadership with stories that are relevant to what's happening now, here in Canada. By sharing their stories, we celebrate the successes of Canadian organizations while contributing to learning for everyone that cares about diversity and inclusion.

To read our Success stories publications, click below:

- [The power of LGBT engagement to change mindsets – Enbridge Inc.](#)
- [Building the fundamentals for diversity and inclusion – Jazz Aviation LP](#)

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NEW CCDI EMPLOYER PARTNERS

One of our primary focuses at the CCDI is on working with employers. We believe that if the workplace is inclusive, positive effects will be felt by the broader community. Please help us welcome the latest additions to our unparalleled **Employer Partner roster**:

- [Royal Ontario Museum](#)
- [Habitat for Humanity Greater Toronto Area](#)
- [City of Mississauga](#)

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Welcome

New Employer Partners

IN THE MEDIA

We are always delighted to find the CCDI making its way into **the media**. Here's a list of articles, blogs, podcasts and more all referencing the CCDI, our work, and our professional opinions:

- [Sodexo director wins' prestigious national award, Canada Newswire.](#)
- [Three diversity professionals win awards at Canadian Centre for Diversity and Inclusion's gala, Canadian Immigrant.](#)
- [Supplier Diversity in Canada report by the CCDI, Hire Immigrants.](#)
- [Accenture makes 'bold move' in publishing diversity stats, Benefits Canada.](#)

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NEW CCDI TEAM MEMBERS

As our mandates and work load continues to grow so does our CCDI Team. A warm welcome to our new **CCDI Team members**:

- [Haley Cochrane – Coordinator, Administration and Events](#)

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New CCDI Team Members

Thank you for keeping up with us here at the CCDI. If you would like to connect with a CCDI Team Member regarding becoming an **Employer Partner** or **Individual Practitioner**, if you aren't already, we encourage you to **contact us** at any time.

Until we meet again in June!

The CCDI Team

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