Premier's Awards 2023 Nominations

The Premier's Awards celebrate the achievements of Ontario college graduates in the province and throughout the world.

Below are this year's amazing nominees from Humber College.



Kenneth Fowler

Boilermaker Apprenticeship, 2001 Deputy Mayor, Town of Innisfil

After graduating from his college's Boilermaker Apprenticeship program, Kenneth Fowler travelled throughout Ontario earning apprenticeship hours and became one of the first tradespersons in his local to earn the interprovincial Red Seal Boilermaker certification. He has managed and overseen multimillion-dollar major projects across the province and is a longstanding boilermaker and engineering specialist with the TDSB. An Innisfil resident, Kenneth was elected as Ward 5 Councillor in 2018, and then Deputy Mayor of the town in 2022, serving its population of over 44,000 while also playing an exceptionally active and hands-on role as Simcoe County Councillor.



Carrie Baker

Public Relations, 2000 President, Canada Goose

As President of Canada Goose, Carrie Baker oversees the company's commercial business and brand, driving its global growth. A creative communications strategist with a passion for breaking boundaries, she was instrumental in transforming the outerwear manufacturer founded in 1957 to an iconic Canadian luxury brand, recognized around the world. Carrie was instrumental in establishing Canada Goose's communications strategy, helping to lead its IPO in 2017 and creating its industry-leading Sustainable Impact Strategy. In 2019, she was named WXN Top 100 Most Powerful Women in Canada and one of Canada's 50 Best Executives by The Globe and Mail in 2020.



Deepa Mattoo

Fundraising and Volunteer Management, 2007 Executive Director, Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic

Deepa Mattoo is an award-winning feminist lawyer whose work is rooted in equity and anti-oppression. She joined Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic as Legal Services Director, later becoming Executive Director overseeing legal, counselling, interpretation and intervention services to racialized and marginalized populations of women and survivors of gender-based violence. A YWCA Women of Distinction Award winner, Deepa has appeared before parliamentary committees and United Nations civil society meetings, while her expertise and law reform work have brought her to the Supreme Court of Canada to speak on a wide range of human rights and social justice issues.





Matthew Burnett

Bachelor of Music, 2014 Music Producer

Matthew Burnett has become a sought-after global producer in the music industry, highly regarded for his GRAMMY-nominated and JUNO-nominated (and winning) work. One of his earliest achievements was his production of "Not Afraid," the lead single on rapper Eminem's seventh studio album, Recovery, and the 16th song in Billboard Top 100 history to debut at number one. The co-founder of independent record label Golden Child Recordings, Matthew has enriched the Canadian music scene and cultivated the rise of artists such as R&B superstar Daniel Caesar. He's produced for world-renowned artists like Drake and Lil' Wayne, doing so before turning 25.



Michael Sanderson

Ambulance and Emergency Care, 1977 Chief and Director, Hamilton Paramedic Service

In his 50th year in Emergency Medical Services, Michael Sanderson has been a paramedic, educator, and leader at local, provincial, national, and international levels. The Chief of Hamilton Paramedic Service since 2013, he oversees 440 staff and ensures a high level of clinical, operational, and financial performance within the 10th largest city in Canada. While Executive Director at BC Ambulance, he led all EMS activities for the 2010 Winter Olympics and Paralympics. Continuously giving back to his sector, Michael has served on Provincial and National Boards and is the president of the Ontario Association of Paramedic Chiefs (OAPC).



Lisa Post

Bachelor of Community Development, 2023 Mayor, Town of Orangeville

Rooted in community, Lisa Post is a transformational leader championing equity, diversity and inclusion, dedicating much of her political career to representing marginalized voices and building strong social policies. A lifelong resident of Orangeville, Ontario, Lisa was elected in 2022 as the town's second female Mayor since its incorporation in 1863 after serving a four-year term as a councillor. Lisa is an active volunteer serving on several non-profit boards and working alongside local organizations focused on culture, youth, empowerment and safety. She prioritizes a community-first approach in her decision-making and is an advocate for the merits of lifelong learning.



Anna Simone

Interior Design, 1977 Founder and Principal, Cecconi Simone Inc.

As founding partner and principal, Anna Simone and her business partner are behind the interior design practice Cecconi Simone, built with a philosophy to inspire with ground-breaking work that is experiential, has a unique sense of purpose, is culturally relevant and positively impacts the world. For decades, Anna has led projects in retail, corporate, hospitality and residential sectors worldwide, including Anguilla, Italy, United Arab Emirates, India, and China - from large-scale condominiums to spa-resorts and boutique hotels to private residences for distinguished luminaries. In the GTA, Cecconi Simone has completed over 100 towers, with an average of 600 homes in each.

