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Investing in Our Diversity Scholarship Breakfast

You are cordially invited to join scholarship recipients and supporters for the annual Investing in Our Diversity Scholarship Breakfast, hosted by Blaney McMurtry LLP.

When: Friday May 1, 2009 8:00 am. – 9:00 am.
Where: Office of Blaney McMurtry LLP.
2 Queen St. East, Suite 1500 on 15th Fl.

Please RSVP to Maya Roy by April 28, 2009
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Investing in Our Diversity Scholarship Awards Dinner and Fundraiser

Date: Thursday May 28, 2009
Time: 6pm: Reception and Silent Auction
7pm: Dinner
Location: Bright Pearl Seafood Restaurant
346-348 Spadina Avenue

To purchase tickets, please contact:
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Investing in Our Diversity Anti-acism Scholarship Awards Dinner & Fundraiser 2009

UPDATE 2009

Investing in Our Diversity Scholarship Awards has...

- Profiled the innovative work of youth leaders in anti-racism and diversity in their communities.
- Increased access for youth from marginalized communities to attend university, college or an apprenticeship with over \$215, 000 in scholarship funds raised to date.

Matching Scholarships

of up to \$4,000 have been established with Ryerson University, University of Toronto, York University and Centennial College who have committed to matching scholarships for the recipient's second year at their institution. Scadding Court sincerely thanks our new and existing academic partners.



The Scholarship Employment Program administered through St. Stephen's Community House has been a great success and an important addition to the scholarship program. The employment opportunities that have been made available has been a clear demonstration of how far the scholarship program can go; well beyond the financial support of young people.

The employment program provides qualified young people the opportunity to access career-related jobs and earn money in a meaningful way while gaining knowledge and experience and developing key networks to support their career development.

Engaging corporations, institutions, businesses and other employers allows participating employers to access the highly motivated and qualified young people that apply for scholarships and build a workforce that reflects today's Toronto.



Unity

Collectivity

Understanding

Advancement

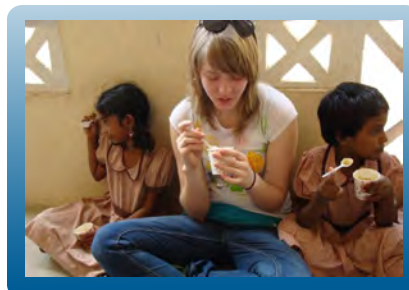


Toronto Community Housing



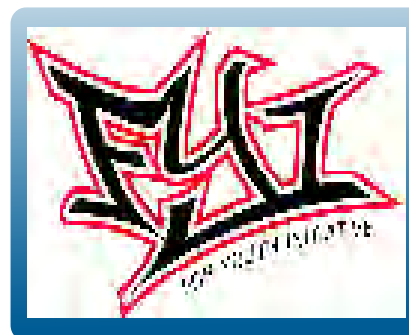
Outer Limits International Program

Scadding Court Community Centre (SCCC) has a history of offering international experiences to youth. As life-changing experiences, these opportunities provide youth with new ideas, experiences and contexts within which to consider their own situations. This project is designed to provide a diverse group of Canadian youth with a comprehensive life-changing experience. Participants are involved in a variety of activities including working with children and teaching English. For Canadian youth, this experience forms the key part of a larger initiative designed to build skills and to assist them in identifying and working toward the realization of their goals – to explore the “outer limits” of life’s possibilities.



For Youth Initiative (FYI)

For Youth Initiative (FYI) is a by youth for youth agency that uses pop culture to bring critical theory and social systemic change to the streets of the former City of York, North Etobicoke and West Toronto areas. We would like to thank our partner FYI who continues to work with us in awarding FYI recipients with Investing in Our Diversity Scholarships.



Thien Le Lantern of Hope

This year Scadding Court is excited to work with Canadian designer, Thien Le who will be introducing the Thien Le Lantern of Hope Charity Foundation alongside Scadding Court’s diversity initiatives. Thien is committed to helping young Vietnamese orphaned children to learn a life outside of poverty by supporting and promoting literacy and education.



Message from the Head Patron

I would like to express my personal appreciation to all of those who continue to support the Investing in Our Diversity Scholarships. As a strong advocate for youth and the battle against racism, I am pleased to see Scadding Court Community Centre and Toronto Community Housing bring together labour unions, businesses, community organizations and prominent individuals to provide this opportunity for Toronto youth.

I am proud to be a patron of this extremely important community initiative as it represents a vital contribution to the future of Toronto.



Diversity Scholarships

\$62,000 value of scholarships awarded in 2008
\$270,000 total scholarship funds awarded since the programs’ inception in 2003
65 young people have received scholarships or bursaries to date

The Investing in Our Diversity Scholarship...

- **Celebrates achievements** of young people in recognizing their work in anti-racism initiatives.
- **Engages** various stakeholders, institutions, organizations, corporations, and individuals across sectors to play a key role in the development of young people, to improve access to education and promote equal opportunity by eliminating barriers.
- **Results** in benefits that transcend into the communities that young people come from; the aim is that they will bring their success back to benefit their families and their communities, thereby contributing to the overall health and prosperity of the city in which we all live.

The scope of our program continues to expand beyond the awarding of scholarships. Our goal is to **Engage, Educate** and **Break** down barriers to education. It builds on and maximizes young people’s talent and potential to contribute immensely to the community and to the city in which we live.



Investing in Our Diversity Anti-racism Scholarship Awards Dinner & Fundraiser 2009

We invite you to join us in celebrating the achievements of young people from Toronto Community Housing communities across the GTA and the Alexandra Park area for the 2009 Investing in Diversity Awards Dinner and Fundraiser. The event will take place on **May 28th, 2009** at the popular Bright Pearl Seafood Restaurant.

Kevin Lee
 Executive Director
 Scadding Court Community Centre

Derek Ballantyne
 Chief Executive Officer
 Toronto Community Housing