



CITIZENSHIP QUARTERLY

AUTUMN 2009



● MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

Greetings and welcome to our new Citizenship Quarterly! CQ will keep you informed and engaged about the Institute for Canadian Citizenship's activities and programs, including citizenship ceremonies and the Cultural Access Pass. We hope you will find its contents interesting and useful.



The Institute for Canadian Citizenship was founded just over three years ago by the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson as her legacy project at the conclusion of her mandate as Canada's 26th Governor General. Mme. Clarkson co-Chairs the Institute with John Ralston Saul.

The Institute has grown by leaps and bounds in the past twelve months. Our network has grown to include 24 citizenship committees across Canada, we've expanded the Cultural Access Pass throughout the GTA and Kitchener-Waterloo with concrete steps taken to roll the program out nationally, successfully organized the ninth annual LaFontaine-Baldwin Symposium, increased our network of supporters and partners, and expanded

our staff complement to seven full-time employees with additional support from volunteer interns and summer students. In addition, we have "re-branded" the organization with a new logo and corporate design and have redesigned our web site.

We are eager to reach out to you, our friends, supporters and collaborators, to enrich our work and to provide us with feedback and guidance on the kinds of activities in which you believe an organization like ours should be engaged. We thank you for the interest you have shown to date and we look forward to increased collaboration far into the future.

Best wishes,
Curtis Barlow, CEO

● CITIZENSHIP COMMITTEES UPDATE

The ICC held its second annual committee meeting in Toronto on October 1 and 2. The meeting was a huge success, with some 40 committee members from Regina, Winnipeg, Toronto, Ottawa, Sudbury, and Hamilton attending.

We announced a new pilot project called Building Citizenship: Change for Change that will make \$1000 available to committees to go towards further engagement with new and established citizens. The committees brainstormed around the new initiative and came up with great ideas including community gardens, a cookbook, film screenings, and discussion groups. Digital strategist Justin Stayshyn gave us a dynamic social media presentation, including an overview of social media and how the ICC and its committees can use social media to promote citizenship. As well, Alden Habacon, Manager of Diversity Initiatives at CBC Television and founder of schemamag.ca presented a compelling and thought-provoking discussion on diversity, and his "schema" concept – a way to sketch your social and cultural identity. A big thank you to all those who came out and participated, and we're very excited moving forward!

To read profiles on our committees in Halifax, NS and Thorncliffe Park in Toronto, click [here](#).



● CULTURAL ACCESS PASS

Our Cultural Access Pass (CAP) continues to be a huge success!

Since its launch in April 2008, CAP has involved twenty cultural institutions in the Toronto area, five in Kitchener-Waterloo and will soon have Montreal museums and galleries on board.

The ICC is delighted to partner with the Canadian Museums Association as it plans to expand this initiative across Canada. Stay tuned for updates!

● YOUR CULTURAL ACCESS PASS HAS EXPIRED, WHAT NEXT?



As you already know nearly 30 museums and galleries participate in the Cultural Access Pass program. We hope that you enjoyed your experience at the six original museums and galleries that piloted this wonderful program. Now that your pass has expired we are happy to present to you ways of staying involved at these museums/galleries. Click [here](#) to learn more.

Find out what's on with our participating CAP galleries and museums!

● ADRIENNE CLARKSON – TOP 25 CANADIAN IMMIGRANTS OF 2009

In June, ICC founder and co-chair Adrienne Clarkson was recognized as one of the Top 25 Canadian Immigrants of 2009 by Canadian Immigrant magazine.

For the article, click [here](#).



TORONTO REGION

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[Gibson House Museum](#)

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[Markham Museum](#)

[McMichael Canadian Art Collection](#)

[Montgomery's Inn](#)

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[Royal Ontario Museum](#)

[Scarborough Historical Museum](#)

[Spadina Museum:
Historic House & Gardens](#)

[The Textile Museum of Canada](#)

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Museum & Arts Centre](#)

[University of Toronto Art Centre](#)

[Varley Art Gallery of Markham](#)

[York Museum](#)

KITCHENER-WATERLOO REGION

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