Alumni of the Faculty of Arts tend to recall with great fondness the exchange of ideas, the vibrant debates, and the wide-ranging discussions that occurred not only in the classrooms but in the hallways or the Arts Lounge. While some things have changed in the Faculty over the years, it is still a hotbed of ideas and active learning.

The success of our graduates is due in no small measure to the fact they learned to think, to defend their ideas and to apply knowledge during their time in our Faculty. Students are inspired by our award-winning professors, but also by their own peers who engage alongside of them with the tough business of studying and learning in an exciting setting.

We are extremely proud of our graduates, as we are proud of our current students, faculty and staff. It has been one of my goals as Dean to draw more attention to the wonderful achievements of our academic community here in the Faculty of Arts. There is a time for modesty, to be sure, but there is also a time to show your pride in your Faculty and its people. This past year we installed a new Wall of Honour to recognize publically those who have achieved something remarkable. Included on this wonderful display, along with various award winners in research or teaching, is the name of each student who has earned a place on the Dean’s Honour List. Since the Wall was mounted in the main hallway of the Fletcher Argue Building, I have been struck by how many people I have seen skimming through the names on display, finding their own or those they know, and brimming with pride.

The Wall is only one way that we can show how much we have done as a Faculty of Arts. But as much as we have accomplished, we also know that we can do so much more. As you look at our newsletter for this year, I hope that you will also imagine how much more will be done in our community and in the world through our groundbreaking research, innovative teaching and dedicated community outreach. This spirit of continual effort is what drives us forward, and we appreciate all the help we can get to continue to strive for academic excellence.

We thank you for your interest. We look forward to your continued commitment to the goals and mission of the Faculty of Arts.

Richard Sigurdson
Dean of Arts, Professor of Political Studies
Guy Maddin
Throughout his success as a world-renowned screenwriter and director of feature-length and short films, Maddin has stayed fiercely true to his roots. His films are as innovative as they are inspirational, including My Winnipeg (2007) which garnered many awards and accolades. He is distinguished filmmaker-in-residence for Film Studies and the Icelandic department.

Emőke J. E. Szathmáry
As president emerita at the University of Manitoba, Szathmáry is a distinguished scholar, teacher, researcher, scientist and administrator. During her tenure as president and vice-chancellor of the University of Manitoba (1996 to 2008), she promoted accessibility and international collaborative research at the university and research funding grew to more than $100 million annually.

Yhettta M. Gold
A lifelong Winnipeg resident, Gold has worked passionately to improve quality of life for the elderly. As president of the National Advisory Council on Aging, she helped develop social policies and community-based support networks for seniors and consulted on accessible housing, independent living and seniors’ and disability issues locally, nationally and internationally.

Catherine “Kiki” Delaney
For Catherine “Kiki” Delaney (BA/69), hard work and determination has translated into another honour: a place on the Top 100 Women list. Chartered financial analyst Kiki Delaney founded her Toronto investment counselling firm in 1992 to provide clients with outstanding returns and attentive service in the private wealth market which she believed had strong growth potential and was under served. C. A. Delaney Capital Management Ltd. currently manages more than $1-billion in assets. Winnipeg-born and raised, Delaney is very active in community work. In 2006, Kiki was appointed a Member of the Order of Canada.

Freda Ahenakew
is considered one of the most distinguished Aboriginal scholars in Canada for her pioneering research on Cree literacy and language teaching. Born in Anahkhake, SK, Dr. Ahenakew had 12 children before she returned to high school to earn her diploma. In 1990, she became department head of Native Studies at the University of Manitoba, where she had received her M.A. in 1984. Before retiring in 1997, Dr. Ahenakew worked as a First Nations language consultant. In 2005 she received the Saskatchewan Order of Merit, the province’s highest honour. Ahenakew is also a Member of the Order of Canada.

Muriel Smith
After graduating in 1953 with a BAHons, in English, French and Govt., Smith’s interests in international affairs, civil rights and women’s movements, led her back to earn Bachelors and Masters degrees in educational psychology. The first woman to hold the post of president of the Manitoba NDP and Deputy Premier heading several social and economic ministries, Smith later returned to the international scene to attending several UN World Conferences and serve as the National President of the United Nations Association in Canada. Smith has earned numerous awards including the YWCA Woman of the Year Award, UNIFEM Award, Soroptimist Award, MGCAC Award, University of Manitoba Arts Faculty Award, Officer of the Order of Canada and Order of Manitoba.

William & Margaret Stobie
a quiet and humble couple left a gift that will ensure that the Elizabeth Dafoe Library can purchase new books as long as U of M endures. The Stobies willed their entire $7 million estate, including their collection of books and Inuit art to the University of Manitoba making it the the largest bequest in the univer-

Order of Canada Recipients 2009

For Dr. Michael Trainor congratulates Sharayah Ulrich who received the Dr. and Mrs. J. Michael Trainor Scholarship in Arts on January 24th, 2010 at the St. Paul’s College annual Academic Awards Ceremony.

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Arts Happenings

The Annual Arts Celebrating Arts event is an opportunity to recognize the exceptional achievements of students, faculty and alumni. These are but a few of the people honoured this year:

**Internationalization Award**
Enrique Fernandez (French, Spanish and Italian)

**Professor of the Year**
Judith G. Chipperfield (Psychology)

**Honoured Alumni**
The Honourable Janis Gudrun Johnson

**Honoured Alumni**
Jeanne C. Keselman
Vice-President (Academic), Provost UofM

**Honoured Alumni**
William Dempsey Valgardson

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**Researchers present Inuit perceptions of climate change in film**

Professors Christopher Trott and Peter Kulchyski (Native Studies) received a major SSHRC award to examine Inuit perceptions of climate change in 2009. Working with post-doctoral fellow (and graduate of the University of Manitoba) Ian Mauro, they teamed up with renowned Inuit film maker Zacharias Kunuk (director of Atanarjuat: The Fast Runner) to produce a feature length film that would present the findings.

**Rh Awards**

Andrew Woolford and Esyllt Jones have been selected to receive the prestigious Rh Award for Outstanding Contributions to Scholarship and Research in the Social Sciences and Humanities categories, respectively, for displaying exceptional innovation, leadership and promise in their respective fields.

**Classics Team wins Outreach Award**

Mark Lawall, Lea Stirling and John Tamm serve as the governance team for the Classical Association of Manitoba and the Archaeological Institute of America (Winnipeg Society). Their efforts have made the University of Manitoba a hub of classical and archaeological studies, and have forged strong, positive relationships between alumni, the community at large and the University.

Erin Wilkinson, assistant professor University of Manitoba’s linguistic department is the only deaf linguist in Canada, and one of the few in the world studying signed languages. Born deaf to a hearing family, she frequently questioned her parents’ use of English words and grammar because she wanted to understand the language’s blueprint.

**Thank You!**

Thank you to all alumni and friends who have generously donated gifts to the Faculty of Arts. Donations make a significant difference to our students and faculty, and we could not do many of these things without you.

Many alumni choose to donate to the Faculty of Arts Endowment Fund to help fund such priorities as:

- equipment and teaching enhancements (videos and library holdings)
- student development (equipment purchases and hosting conferences)
- national and international guest speakers that enhance the educational experience
- travel to conferences and workshops for students and faculty

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