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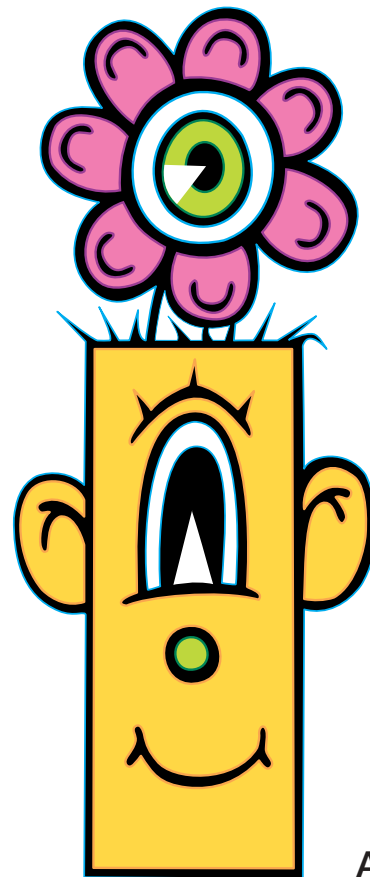


Granville Island

Granville Island and Granville Island Public Market - CMHC
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BC Persons with AIDS Society in partnership with
Granville Island and Granville Island Public Market present

ACCOLAIDS
2003

A community tribute to achievements in the BC AIDS movement

Welcome



It is with great pleasure that the *British Columbia Persons With AIDS Society* has, once again, partnered with *Granville Island – CMHC* and *Granville Island Public Market* for the 2nd Annual *AccoAIDS* Awards Banquet, honouring achievements in the BC AIDS Movement. Following the tremendous success of our inaugural event last year, measured by the number and caliber of nominations coupled with the sell-out attendance and post-event feedback that we received, it is clearly evident that an arena to recognize the significant contributions that so many have made, over the past two decades, to the AIDS movement in BC has been long overdue. We owe a significant debt of gratitude to our Event Partners, *Granville Island – CMHC* and the *Public Market*, and our Supporting Sponsors

The Georgia Straight, Lonsdale Event Rentals, The Printing House Limited and *Xtra! West* for their instrumental roles in making *AccoAIDS* an annual event in BC.

This year, we welcome additional sponsorship support from seven Awards Sponsors – corporations that wish to pay tribute to the many individuals, organizations, groups, institutions and businesses that have worked tirelessly in response to the AIDS epidemic. Many of these companies, and several others, have also contributed to our Ticket Subsidy Initiative, making it possible for BCPWA to issue complimentary tickets to *AccoAIDS* awards recipients, Committee Members, and a selected number of PWAs who pre-register for tickets.

Once again, this year, the number of *AccoAIDS* nominations received from throughout the province is a testimony to the depth and scope of contributions to the BC AIDS movement. Tonight we honour not only our nominees and awards recipients, but also the countless others – named and unnamed, past and present – whose influence is enduring.

Glen Hillson, Chair, Board of Directors, BC Persons With AIDS Society



Granville Island

Granville Island - CMHC and Granville Island Public Market are pleased to be partnering, for the 2nd consecutive year, with BCPWA in this special event honouring the many individuals, organizations, groups, institutions and businesses who have made outstanding contributions to the BC AIDS movement.

We also wish to acknowledge the tremendous enthusiasm which Granville Island, as a community, has extended in support of BCPWA, the *AccoAIDS* event and the issue of HIV/AIDS in our community. Over 50 businesses from *Granville Island* and the *Public Market* have rallied together to make tonight possible. More than 30 merchants and restaurants contributed gourmet cuisine, fine

wines and micro-brews towards the banquet this evening; and an additional 20 businesses contributed products and services towards tonight's live auction which highlights the diverse cultural and recreational character of the Island. We thank each of them for their generous contributions towards this important event.

Finally, on behalf of *Granville Island – CMHC* and *Granville Island Public Market*, we offer our heartfelt congratulations to all *AccoAIDS* 2003 nominees and award recipients.

Gloria Loree, Manager of Public Affairs and Programming, Granville Island and Colleen Welsh, Manager, Granville Island Public Market

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Pizza Pzazz
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Fiona Gold
Dennis Hutchinson
Roger Lee
Kim Saladana
Mark Tyndall (Chair)

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Liz Baca
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Keyboard Moving
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Rocky Mountain Production Services
Louise Neil
Trigger Segal/girlgig productions
Slowdrag
Tom Lee Music
Paul Woodyard
Chris Sigerson, Pianist

Auction (see pp 15–16 for details)

Ted Deeken, Auctioneer
Granville Island Glass Studios

Others

Granville Island Cultural Society
Granville Island Performance Works
Gloria Loree
Colleen Welsh
Jan Bellamy
Capers Community Markets
Jan Carley
Ken Coolen
Victor Elkins
Kurstin Leith
Joe Leblanc
John Nutter
John Theal




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Stage management services for *AccoAIDS* provided by:

girlgig productions

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Volunteer leadership for *AccoAIDS* is coordinated through Starbucks Coffee Canada and their *Make Your Mark Grant*.

AccoAIDS Clean Team provided courtesy of:



Granville Island Glass, 1659 Duranleau Street, Granville Island

Awards for tonight's *AccoAIDS* honourees were created by John Nutter and Jan Bellamy of Granville Island Glass. John created an elegant design for the award using simple, clean lines and etching the *AccoAIDS* logo developed by Vancouver artist Joe Average into the piece. Jan's packaging of these awards, using classic and stylish black textured paper adds the perfect finishing touch.

About the Artists:

John Nutter: After formal training in art and architecture, John Nutter has spent the last 25 years designing and fabricating stained, sand blasted and cast glass installations and sculpture. His architectural glass can be found throughout Canada and the United States, as well as Mexico and the Caribbean.

Jan Bellamy: When not busy coordinating the Vancouver Wooden Boat Festival, Jan Bellamy developed an interest in packaging beautiful objects. Using fine fabrics and papers, she brings her design expertise from seven years in the publishing industry to the production of Granville Island Glass products.



Programme

- 6.00 – 6.30PM** **Cocktails**
Entertainment Chris Sigerson

- 6.30 – 6.40PM** **Welcoming Remarks**
Ian Hanomansing, Host
Glen Hillson, Chair, Board of Directors, BC Persons With AIDS Society
Gloria Loree, Granville Island – CMHC and Colleen Welsh, Granville Island Public Market

- 6.40 – 7.10PM** **Awards Presentations**
Opening Remarks: Mark Tyndall, Chair, *AccoAIDS* Advisory/Nominations Committee
Recognition of Nominees: Ian Hanomansing
Presentation of *AccoAIDS* Awards and Acceptance Speeches

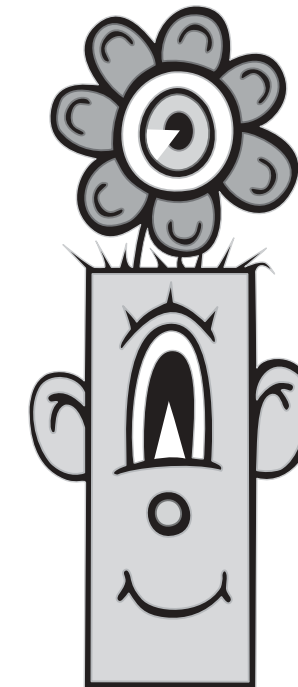
- 7.10 – 8.20PM** **Dinner/Wine**
Guests will be directed, by table, to outdoor food station area
(see pg. 3 for a list of participating Granville Island Restaurants and Merchants)
Entertainment Chris Sigerson
Live Auction (see pp. 15 –16 for detailed descriptions of auction packages and contributors)

- 8.25 – 9.05PM** **Awards Presentations (cont'd)**
Recognition of Nominees: Ian Hanomansing
Presentation of *AccoAIDS* Awards and Acceptance Speeches

- 9.05 – 9.30PM** **Entertainment** *Slowdrag*

- 9.30 – 10.10PM** **Awards Presentations (cont'd)**
Recognition of Nominees: Ian Hanomansing
Presentation of *AccoAIDS* Awards and Acceptance Speeches

- 10.10 – 10.15PM** **Closing Remarks**



Menu

A Taste of Granville Island and The Public Market

Many thanks to participating restaurants, businesses and specialty food merchants from Granville Island and Granville Island Public Market for their generous contribution to this evening's dinner...



Granville Island

Cocktails

Granville Island Brewing Company
Calona Vineyards

Appetizers, Salads & Cold Dishes

Duso's Pasta & Cheese
Dussa's Ham & Cheese
Four Seasons Farm
Fraser Valley Salad Bar
Little Creek Gardens
Longliner Seafoods
Omi Japan
Oyama Sausage Company
Salmon Shop
Seafood City
Sunlight Farms
Terra Breads
The Grainry
The Milkman
Turkey Stop
Zara's Pasta

Hot Main Courses

Bridges Restaurant
Dockside Brewing Company
Duso's Pasta & Cheese
Gourmet Wok
La Tortilleria
Phoenix Fast Food
Rubina Grill
Sandbar Seafood Restaurant
The Cat's Meow
The Keg
The Perogy Place

Desserts

Laurelle's Fine Foods
La Baguette et L'Echalote
Olde World Fudge
Muffin Granny
Terra Breads

Hot Beverages

Starbucks Coffee Canada (Granville Island)

Special thanks, as well, to

Kharma Kitchen (Railspur Alley, Granville Island)
Lee's Donuts,
Pizza Pzazz,
Siegel's Bagels
(Granville Island Public Market)
for supplying a delicious snack and meals
to our ACCOLAIDS event volunteers.

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Acknowledging Achievements in the Area of
Social, Political and Community Action



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In Recognition of all our PWA Heroes



Proud to Recognize Achievements in AIDS-related Science, Research and Technology



In Appreciation of all ACCOLAIDS Nominees who have Contributed Above and Beyond



Proud Sponsor of the ACCOLAIDS 2003 Award for Service Delivery



Event Emcee and Featured Performers

Ian Hanomansing is our returning event Host for ACCOLAIDS 2003. An award-winning journalist and news reporter, Mr. Hanomansing has been a television reporter with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation since 1988. From 1995-1999 he hosted CBC Newsworld's *Pacific Rim Report* and for the past four years has co-hosted *Foreign Assignment*, a weekly news program featuring stories from around the world. Since October 2000, he has been the television anchor of CANADA NOW, CBC's national evening newscast.



Slowdrag is steeped in old-time, traditional, and retro-original material. This trio of stage veterans on both sides of the Rockies can barrel through a rockin' honky-tonk number as easily as they can spin an original dusty tune that weeps as much as it rolls. Since 1996, singer-songwriter-guitarists Koralee Tonack and Craig McKerron have continuously explored the roots of early country and bluegrass music resulting in a seamless and unique vocal blend. Joining their recreation of powerful harmonies of a bygone era is upright bassist, Paul Bergman, solidly anchoring the rural southern sound. June of 2000 witnessed their collaboration with esteemed mandolinist/producer John Reischman for their debut album, *Ploughin' It Right To The Fence*. The results of this old church recording are a stellar collection of old and original songs spanning the boundaries between traditional Americana and contemporary roots music. Visit their Website at www.slowdragmusic.com.



Chris Sigerson, pianist, has been an active member of the Vancouver music scene for the last 20 years. His performance experience is as extensive as it is varied, recording numerous sessions at the CBC both as a sideman and as a leader. He has worked with many top Canadian and International musicians including vocalists Ernestine Anderson, k.d. lang, and Steve Maddock; guitarists Herb Ellis and Oliver Gannon; saxophonists Fraser MacPherson, P.J. Perry, and Campbell Ryga; trumpeters Brad Turner and Leroy Jones; trombonists Slide Hampton and Hugh Fraser; bassists Chris Nelson and Ken Lister; and drummers Dylan Van der Schyff and Craig Scott. Chris has a private piano studio and teaches at both Capilano College and Vancouver Community College. His self-produced CD, *Heritage*, was recorded live at the renowned Vancouver jazz club, the *Glass Slipper*. Chris has also co-produced a Christmas album with bassist Chris Nelson entitled *Merry Chris Christmas*.



AccolAIDS Advisory/Nominations Committee

The AccolAIDS awards selection process is coordinated by an independent Advisory/Nominations Committee of individuals with extensive and diverse AIDS-specific and related work experience. In order to ensure impartiality, eligibility requirements for Advisory Committee members were established in advance and members were not permitted to nominate candidates or to receive awards. This group of dedicated volunteers met together several times, over a number of months, to select a Committee Chair, confirm definitions of AccolAIDS Areas of Achievement, discuss criteria on which to evaluate forthcoming awards and, finally, to collectively select recipients for awards in each category.



Committee Members Pictured Left to Right:
Fiona Gold, Kim Saladana, Dennis Hutchinson,
Mark Tyndall (Chair), Roger Lee

Roger Lee was a founding member and long-term staff person of AIDS Regina. A retired professor of Art History, he has also been a tireless volunteer, for more than 25 years, with numerous arts and cultural groups in Saskatchewan, as well as national arts organizations. More recently, since 2000, Roger joined the Asian Society for the Intervention of AIDS (ASIA) as a member of their Board of Directors.

Dr. Mark Tyndall joined the BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS in 1999. He completed a medical degree at McMaster University and a Doctoral degree in Epidemiology from Harvard University which included four years of fieldwork in East Africa. He is an active contributor to various research projects, including prevention and treatment of HIV and Hepatitis C among marginalized groups. As a staff physician at St. Paul's Hospital, he is an active member of the clinical infectious disease service and works as an HIV/AIDS specialist at downtown health clinics.

Dennis Hutchinson, a long-time resident of the West Kooteney and a PWA, has been an influential part of the AIDS movement in rural BC for over a decade. He has served as a Director with the regional ASO, ANKORS, and has been their Support & Advocacy Services Coordinator for the past 3 years. He has also been active in the East and West Kootenay Regional HIV/AIDS Planning Committees as well as the Pacific AIDS Network (PAN).

Kim Saladana has been involved in the HIV/AIDS therapeutic area for over three years. While employed with Abbott Laboratories, she helped launch an HIV protease inhibitor product. More recently, with Hoffmann-LaRoche Canada, Kim has assumed the role of product manager for their HIV product portfolio. Kim has worked very closely with BCPWA and other Western Canadian community-based, non-profit organizations to coordinate programs and offer support for many different initiatives and looks forward to continuing her association with advocacy groups with a focus on nationally-based organizations.

Fiona Gold, RN, BA has worked with the AIDS/STD Prevention Street Nurse Program, with the British Columbia Centre for Disease Control for 6 1/2 years. She has also worked in hospital and community health care settings since 1989. She has co-authored a number of abstracts and posters that were accepted at the XIV Annual International AIDS Conference in Barcelona, Spain in 2002. Fiona is currently working to help realize the strategic location of supervised injection sites in Vancouver.

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Social, Political and Community Action

Chainlink Society, Mountain Institution
Bonnie Gabel
Lorne Mayencourt, MLA
Lauree McDonald
Bradford McIntyre
Philip Owen
Dr. James Chi Ming Pau
The Printing House Limited
Dr. Michael Rekart
Brian & Joanna Wardley

Kevin Brown PWA Hero Award

Tom McAulay
Bradford McIntyre
William E. (aka "Unk") Sandquist

Science, Research and Technology

Thomas Kerr & Evan Wood
Dr. Michael Rekart
The Vanguard Project

Philanthropy

The Elbow Room
MAC AIDS Fund
Dr. James Chi Ming Pau
John Pedersen & Famous Players

The Printing House Limited
Kendra Sprinkling &
The Shooting Stars Foundation
Michael Venus

Health Promotion and Harm Reduction

Evanna Brennan & Susan Giles
Gregg Brown
Mayor Larry Campbell
Chainlink Society, Mountain Institution
Kathy Churchill
Dr. Trevor Corneil
Dr. James Chi Ming Pau
William E. (aka "Unk") Sandquist
The Vanguard Project

Service Delivery

10C Nurses at St. Paul's Hospital
Evanna Brennan & Susan Giles
Dr. Susan Burgess
Chainlink Society, Mountain Institution
Kathy Churchill
Miranda Compton
Bonnie Gabel
Kim Hiebert
Mary Jackson
Katharine McEchaern

AccolAIDS 2003 Nominees

Catherine Rideout
Dr. Philip Sestak
The Vanguard Project
Patricia White
Ken Winiski & HepHIVE

Innovative Programs

Chainlink Society, Mountain Institution
Kathy Churchill
Bonnie Gabel
Dr. James Chi Ming Pau
Catherine Rideout
YouthCO AIDS Society
Prevention/Education Dept.

Above and Beyond

Bonnie Gabel
Bradford McIntyre
May McQueen
Dr. Philip Sestak
Patricia White

***Note:** Some Candidates were nominated in multiple categories

The award for Social, Political & Community Action is presented to the individual, organization, group, institution or business that undertakes an initiative, of any size, that has resulted in a change of public policy or process to the benefit of individuals and/or communities affected by HIV/AIDS.



Philip Owen

Philip Owen's public service spans more than two decades. He entered civic politics in 1978 after being elected to the Vancouver Parks Board. In 1986 he became a member of City Council and served on the Council for seven years before being elected Vancouver's 42nd Mayor in November 1993. Re-elected in 1996 and 1999, Philip Owen has been Vancouver's longest serving consecutive-term Mayor.

It is Philip Owen's deep commitment to community service and his advancement of the Four-Pillar Approach during his term as Mayor that not only distinguishes his career, but also demonstrates his significant contribution to AIDS work in our community. This plan of action, detailed through an 85 page document entitled *A Framework for Action - A Four-Pillar Approach to Drug Problems in Vancouver* is a courageous, innovative policy that aims to address the complex social, economic and health and safety issues associated with substance use in the city of Vancouver; following four years of research, Philip Owen led a local and national debate in response to drug use and addiction in urban Canadian cities arguing for the implementation of an integrated four-pillar approach: Prevention, Treatment, Enforcement and Harm Reduction.

The Four-Pillar approach focuses on an issue that has long been seen as a criminal one and tackles it as a health problem. It proposes solutions to treating addiction and, by extension, approaches towards reducing the transmission of HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis C in Vancouver's intravenous drug using community. Inadvertently, as well, it is likely to diminish the stigmatization encountered by substance users living with HIV/AIDS. The Four-Pillar Approach, passed unanimously by Vancouver's City Council in May 2001, is arguably one of the most important initiatives that have been undertaken in an effort to address addictions and related health issues in our community, including HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis C.

For his tireless commitment to this issue and the cause, and his devotion to quality of life for all citizens, we award Philip Owen the *AccoAIDS* Award for Social, Political and Community Action.

FALSE CREEK KAYAK ADVENTURE

Ecomarine Ocean Kayak Centre - 1668 Duranleau Street

Package 1

www.ecomarine.com

Auction Item: 3 two-hour double kayak rentals for a False Creek adventure

Since 1980, **Ecomarine**, has taught kayaking to over 22,000 individuals and has introduced twice that number to the sport through their rentals. Ecomarine offers the best products available for ocean kayaking.

THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT!

Vancouver International Jazz Festival - Performance Works

PACKAGE 2

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Vancouver Fringe Festival - 1402 Anderson Street

www.vancouverfringe.com

Vancouver TheatreSports League - New Review Stage

www.vtst.com

Auction Item: 4 tickets to any Jazz Festival event at Granville Island's Performance Works; 4 tickets to any Fringe Festival production on Granville Island; 4 tickets to Wedn.-Fri. performance for Vancouver TheatreSports at New Revue Stage, Granville Island.

From June 20th-July 1st, the **Vancouver International Jazz Festival** will present the sights and sounds of more than 1700 jazz and blues musicians in over 40 venues including theatres, nightclubs and outdoor stages.

Between September 4th-14th, 100 theatre groups will perform in diverse venues, including Granville Island, as part of the **Vancouver Fringe Festival**. Watch for Kids Fringe (family entertainment) and Fringe de la Fringe (multimedia/film/music) this year.

The **Vancouver TheatreSports League** is a unique professional theatre organization dedicated to the growth and exploration of exceptional improv-based work.

ART - CERAMIC WALL HANGING

Architext Ceramica Custom Design and Production - 1375 Railspur Alley

PACKAGE 3

Auction Item: Ceramic Wall Hanging entitled "Fern Tile" (approx. 15" x 15")

Artisan **Nathan Rafla** of **Architext Ceramica** has been working in ceramics for 17 years, making both his clay and glazes by hand; his glazes have been developed based on old formulas that are common to many Mediterranean cultures. "Fern Tile" is an attractive, textured wall hanging that reflects the artist's love of the BC forests.

AHOY THERE!

Bonnie Lee Charters - #104 - 1676 Duranleau Street

PACKAGE 4

www.bonnielee.com

Auction Item: 3 hour afternoon boat cruise for 6 people with 1st class service

Established in 1980, **Bonnie Lee Charters** has a wide range of 1st class sportsfishing and cruising vessels to accommodate virtually any group size, special event or personal request.

AN AFFAIR TO REMEMBER

Granville Island Hotel - 1253 Johnston Street

PACKAGE 5

www.granvilleislandhotel.com

Dockside Brewing Company - 1253 Johnston Street

Auction Item: Overnight accommodation at the Granville Island Hotel; \$50 gift certificate to the Dockside Brewing Co.

An island retreat in the heart of the city, the **Granville Island Hotel** blends simplicity with style. This luxurious hotel has its own distinctive character, easy going yet elegant, relaxed but refined. The **Dockside Brewing Company** boasts one of the city's nicest patios - a wonderful spot to relax and to enjoy stunning sunsets while sampling a delightful range of house-crafted lagers and ales as well as fine food.

RITES OF SPRING

DIG THIS - #10 - 1551 Johnston Street

PACKAGE 6

www.digthis.com

Blackberry Books - 1663 Duranleau Street

www.bbooks.ca

Auction Item: Decorative planter, gardening goodies and a \$20 gift certificate from DIG THIS; 2 popular gardening books from Blackberry Books

At **DIG THIS**, both the experienced and novice gardener will find a complete selection of quality gardening gifts and gear, as well as knowledgeable and friendly service.

Blackberry Books, the charming little bookstore located in the Net Loft on Granville Island, is a family-owned business with over 23 years experience serving book lovers of all ages.

ART - SANDBLASTED CARVED GLASS

Granville Island Glass - 1659 Duranleau Street, Granville Island

PACKAGE 7

Auction Item: Sandblasted glass carving entitled "Butterfly" (12" x 16", with steel stand)

Artisan **John Nutter** of **Granville Island Glass** has been working with glass for over 25 years. The "Butterfly" piece juxtaposes grid-like, man-made measurements with the natural form, reflecting the relationship between nature and technology.

OLYMPIC SPIRIT

Red Sky At Night - 1520 Duranleau Street

PACKAGE 8

www.redskyatnight.com

Auction Item: 2010 Vancouver Olympic casual wear (Fleece Jacket, T-shirt; Ball Cap)

Red Sky Clothing & Footwear is Granville Island's store for great weekend wear. They carry a wide selection of women's and men's fashions from *Liz Claiborne*, *Tommy Hilfiger*, *Helly Hansen* as well as Canadian brands, *Tribal* and *Splendor*. Red Sky still has Vancouver's best selection of boat shoes, including *Sperry Top-Siders* and *Sebago Dockslides* and recently expanded its stock of comfortable footwear to include *Teva*, *Ecco*, *Rockport*, *Clark's*, *Tommy* and *Naot*. Visit their Granville Island location and "Relax ... it's Red Sky".

Auction

SOUL SEARCHING

*Psychic Studio – 1526 Duranleau Street
Dragonspace – #6 - 1551 Johnston Street*

Auction Item: Psychic reading from the Psychic Studio; deck of tarot cards and pendulum jewelry from Dragonspace.

Since 1996, Granville Island is the home for the most reputable in-person psychic services in Vancouver. **The Psychic Studio's** mission is to empower its clients. The moment you walk in, you will experience their very distinctive style. . .

Dragonspace specializes in magical and mythological treasures including figurines and collectibles, jewelry and accessories, aromatic scents, books, tarot cards and much more.

ART – BLOWN GLASS

*New-Small & Sterling Glass Studio – 1440 Old Bridge Road
New-Small & Sterling offers a selection of contemporary hand blown glass designs with each piece exhibiting unique form, function, craftsmanship and colour. The studio also proudly represents over 50 Canadian glass artists.*

Auction Item: “Pousse Café” Vase, Desert Sands Series by artisan David New-Small.

A GIRL’S BEST FRIENDS

*Forge & Form – 1334 Cartwright Street
Maiwa Supplies and Handprints – #6 - 1666 Johnston Street
Olde World Fudge – #133 - 1689 Johnston Street*

Auction Item: 14k yellow gold and freshwater pearl earrings from Forge & Form; 2 sofa cushions from Maiwa Handprints; generous serving of fudge from Olde World Fudge.

Forge & Form carries an assortment of fine handcrafted jewelry, including bracelets, necklaces, rings and earrings, in sterling silver, white, yellow, and pink gold designed and created by artisan Jurgen Schönheit.

Maiwa Handprints Ltd. is a local textile and surface design company providing a vast array of high quality fiber art and surface design products as well as a collection of handcrafted textiles from around the world.

Olde World Fudge, located in Granville Island Public Market, produces an assortment of gourmet fudge using the finest ingredients.

PACKAGE 9

*www.psychicstudio.ca
www.dragon-space.com*

ART FOR ART’S SAKE

*Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design – 1399 Johnston Street
Opus Framing & Art Supplies – 1360 Johnston Street*

Auction Item: \$250 gift certificate towards a Continuing Studies art course at Emily Carr Institute; \$100 gift certificate from Opus Framing & Art Supplies.

Continuing Studies at the **Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design** offers education and training on a part-time or short-term basis for personal interest, portfolio development and professional upgrading in the visual arts, media arts and design.

Opus Framing & Art Supplies is well known for its selection of fine art supplies and picture framing materials, as well as its customer service and support of the visual arts in Western Canada over the past 25 years.

GUYS, GOLF, AND GEAR

Justin Stitches/Promosapien – 1648 Duranleau Street

SCORE Golf West – 1815 Mast Tower Road

Auction Item: 2 golf shirts, 2 zippered jackets, 2 baseball caps, gift certificates towards custom embroidery on clothing, 1 dozen golf balls, 1 golf umbrella and 1 martini shaker from Justin Stitches/Promosapien; 1 year subscription to SCORE Golf Magazine.

Since 1985, **Justin Stitches** has provided the latest in custom embroidery technology and carries a wide range of sportswear and accessories. **Promosapien**, the corporate sales and promotional product division of Justin Stitches, provides original corporate wear and promotional products to help companies promote their brand.

Supporting the game of golf in Canada for 23 years, **SCORE Golf** is a national golf publishing and marketing company, producing SCORE Golf Magazine 6 times yearly and promoting the sport through internet, TV and radio marketing.

COFFEE TALK

Starbucks Coffee Canada – 1500 West 2nd Avenue

Auction Item: Gift basket containing a 8-cup Barista Aroma coffee maker with box of coffee filters, Starbucks blade coffee grinder, 2 mugs and 1 pound Starbucks *Shade Grown* coffee. The primary mission of Starbucks Coffee is to establish itself as the premier purveyor of the finest coffee in the world while maintaining its uncompromising principles, including contributing to the community and the environment, while the company grows.

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PACKAGE 13

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www.promosapien.ca
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PACKAGE 14

www.starbucks.com

Kevin Brown PWA Hero Award

Kevin Brown was one of the Founding Members of the BC Persons with AIDS Society and the first Chair of the Board of Directors. The PWA Hero award, established in his memory, is presented to an individual living with HIV/AIDS who is regarded with great admiration and respect for his/her contributions to the AIDS movement.



William E. Sandquist, a.k.a. “UNK”, is a person living with AIDS, co-infected with hepatitis C, and an injection drug user currently in recovery (clean for 7 years). As stated by his nominator, “Unk has been a driving force, an injection of common sense, in instituting meaningful change for PWAs and Injection Drug Users (IDUs) in Vancouver’s Downtown Eastside (DTES).

The DTES experienced the worst HIV/HCV/IDU epidemic in the industrialized world and by October 23, 1997 a health emergency was declared. The National Action plan for HIV/AIDS among IDUs called for immediate response from all sectors. Unk answered the call for community involvement and consumer feedback resulting in many innovative interventions of which he became chiefly involved by volunteering. He played a principal role as community advocate, lobbying the then Vancouver Richmond Health Board to ensure that PWAs and IDUs had a strong voice, serving a two-year term as a health care consumer representative on the Community Coordinating Committee (HIV/AIDS Action Plan).

He is a founding director of the HIV/IDU Consumers’ Board where he served for five years as the HIV+ Chairperson and currently as the Mental Health Co-Chairperson. Unk continues to play an essential role in the design and maintenance of the Consumers’ Board uniqueness (a non-registered Society, a collective of consumers, equal in voting rights, without hierarchy, and no paid staff). As the Consumers’ Board expanded its advisory and community role to include direct services in 1998, Unk has continued his work as the manager of the 24/7 needle exchange/peer-driven health promotion and harm reduction office. Unk is also a charter member initiating the Legal Action Committee for the Vancouver Area Network of Drug Users (VANDU), a constitutional founding father promoting “safe-injection rooms” at the Harm Reduction Action Society (HRAS), and founding caucus member of the Canadian Associated Network of Drug Users (CANDU). His volunteerism is extensive, including work as a co-facilitator and organizer of the largest “World AIDS Day” event in BC for the Carnegie AIDS Program Support Group, consumer representative on the Alcohol & Drug Working Committee for Community Directions, regular delegate at the Pacific AIDS Network (PAN), director serving a two-year term at AIDS Vancouver, and key liaison point person for the Portland Hotel Society.

William E. Sandquist’s level of dedication, commitment, and tenacity in advocating for health care consumer rights are legend. We are proud to honour him with the *AccolAIDS* PWA Hero Award.



William “Unk” Sandquist

This award recognizes achievements in the areas of research, technology, traditional or complementary treatments and/or the application of such advances in clinical practice that have improved the lives or circumstances of people living with HIV/AIDS.



The Vanguard Project

In September of 1994, the BC Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS, a joint project of St. Paul's Hospital and the University of British Columbia, received a three-year grant from Health Canada's National Health Research Development Program (NHRDP) to start a follow-up study to the Vancouver Lymphadenopathy-AIDS Study, which had been following 1,000 gay men in Vancouver since 1982. In the years following, additional project grants were received from Health Canada's NHRDP, the Canadian Foundation for Innovation and the Michael Smith Foundation for Research.

In October of 1994, a Community Advisory Committee had been established to provide feedback on the direction of the study. Representation was solicited from a wide range of local community-based organizations, including AIDS service organizations, youth services, ethno-cultural and Aboriginal agencies, and gay and lesbian student groups to provide a range of perspectives, communicate the concerns of various communities, and to suggest effective methods of recruitment and publicity. The result was the Vanguard Project, an ongoing study of HIV rates and risk factors among young men, between the ages of 15 and 30, who have sex with men in the Lower Mainland. As of March 11th, 2002, a total of 1,204 men who fit the eligibility criteria had been recruited.

Since the study was launched in 1995, research findings from the Vanguard Project have been presented dozens of times to community groups, academic conferences and government committees. Numerous papers and letters have been published in a host of prestigious academic journals. Additionally, many more oral and poster presentations have been made at numerous regional, national and international conferences on HIV/AIDS.

Over the years, the Vanguard Project's research findings have been released on a Province-wide scale through media articles, press releases, and broadcast segments helping to provide the public, in general, and the participants, in particular, with invaluable information regarding individual health and health of the community.

In recognition of their significant contribution in the area of HIV/AIDS science, research, and technology, it is with pride and appreciation that we present the Vanguard Project with an *AccolAIDS* award.

In addition to the established seven Areas of Achievement for AccolAIDS awards, the Advisory/Nominations Committee has the option of creating one additional category, which may change from year to year, to recognize the unique contributions of an individual, organization, group, institution or business from amongst the list of Candidates nominated. In 2003, the Committee developed the Above and Beyond Award to pay tribute to an AccolAIDS Nominee's enduring support of, and contributions to the AIDS movement in BC over the past decade.

Long before Patricia White began her role as a clinical secretary for Dr. Julio Montaner, she knew the path that would be intrinsically linked to her life's journey.

In 1968, Patricia sought out a volunteer position at a hospital in England and was immediately offered a permanent position on the paraplegic unit. Her instinct and natural ability to embrace and guide the minds of these individuals whose bodies had been broken was brought to the fore.

Patricia moved to Vancouver, Canada in 1973 and from 1975 to 1980 worked in the Extended Care Unit at the Vancouver General Hospital (VGH). From 1980 to 1986, she worked in the VGH Blood Bank at a time when the puzzle of AIDS was slowly being assembled by health care professionals predominantly south of the border. In 1990, she accepted a position as secretary to Dr. Don Zarowny at the Canadian HIV Trials Network (CTN) known then as the HIV Canadian Network located on Davie Street. Her love and desire for patient interaction was starved for the next 15 months as Patricia patiently waited for a clinical position to become available.

In 1991, Patricia White assumed her life role as clinical secretary for Dr. Julio Montaner and Dr. Peter Phillips at the Pacific Network arm of the CTN. Since then, she has witnessed tremendous growth in the organization and a myriad of changes in the HIV/AIDS epidemic. Throughout the past 12 years, she has maintained her unique ability to provide positivity to all, thereby successfully learning the lesson of a past mentor – "...leave your negativity at the door...if it's still there when you leave you can take it with you...". She has become the personification of compassion, gentleness, perseverance, strength, and enduring hope for hundreds of clinic patients. Frequently referred to as the *Desi and Lucy Show*, Dr. Montaner and Patricia have succeeded in giving laughter to help lighten the burden of those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS.

She is a volunteer member of the Board of the Hummingbird Kids Society and a regular participant in BCPWA's AIDS WALK, World AIDS Day, and many other community events and functions associated with HIV/AIDS.

Patricia White is a single mother of three boys, a grandmother, and friend to all those in need. She will be retiring next year to rest and to reminisce. Tonight we honour her with an *AccolAIDS* award for her truly human gift to go *Above and Beyond*.



Pat White



Innovative Programs

This award acknowledges planned and targeted services which demonstrate a unique, progressive and/or creative approach to assisting people affected by HIV/AIDS. Innovative Programs reflect a clear understanding of the current and changing nature of the HIV epidemic.

The Youth Community Outreach (YouthCO) AIDS Society was formed in 1994 after a study around youth-specific programming identified the lack of HIV/AIDS services geared towards youth. Since then, YouthCO has continued its commitment and dedication to working as a peer-driven agency, increasing their effectiveness in prevention education initiatives as well as gaining respect throughout communities in Vancouver and more rural areas within the Province.

YouthCO's widely successful peer-to-peer approach provides education and skills building programs as well as support services to youth infected with or affected by HIV/AIDS. YouthCO is Canada's only AIDS Service Organization working exclusively to meet the needs of both HIV+ and HIV- youth and having also specific programming geared towards youth that are faced with Hepatitis C (HCV) infection. As a not-for-profit agency run by and for youth, their goal is to foster independence and ingenuity by providing outreach, prevention education, training, volunteer opportunities, and support to their peers.

Several affected by and/or "at risk for" HIV/AIDS youth populations were identified by YouthCO's Prevention/Education Department as priorities, including – young men who have sex with men, Aboriginal youth, street-involved (urban) youth, youth using intravenous drugs, youth in rural communities, and youth in public schools. Resultant initiatives that have been extremely successful in reaching these populations include the Speakers Bureau, Theatre Troupe, Resources Development, and the Choices Project. The Speakers Bureau, reaching an average of 3,300 youth each year, provides interactive HIV/AIDS presentations, focusing on transmission, prevention, and harm reduction methods. YouthCO's volunteer Forum Theatre creates innovative theatre performances about issues related to HIV/AIDS such as sex, sexuality, drugs, relationships, self-esteem, racism, class, living, and loss. The Prevention/Education Department is also responsible for Resource Development, creating youth-friendly harm reduction and safer sex HIV/AIDS resources such as posters, stickers, tattoos, rave cards, and pamphlets promoting awareness among diverse youth populations. Their Choices program creates sustainable youth driven prevention education initiatives in rural and isolated communities throughout BC.

In recognition of their ongoing commitment to providing innovative programs addressing HIV/AIDS and related issues for youth, the *AccolAIDS* award in this category is proudly presented to YouthCO AIDS Society Prevention/Education Department.



YouthCo AIDS Society

Philanthropy MERCK FROSST

The Philanthropy award recognizes a voluntary charitable initiative, individual, group, institution or business that is motivated by a commitment to human welfare; philanthropists generously contribute their time, resources and/or financial support to advance a specific cause.

The Shooting Stars Foundation was established and incorporated in 1995, growing out of the success of *Starry Night*, one of western Canada's longest running, most successful theatrical and musical AIDS fundraising events.

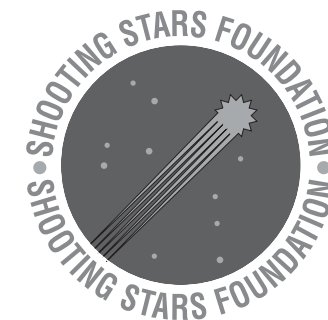
Starry Night began in 1985 at the Arts Club Main Stage Theatre on Granville Island in Vancouver. Producer David Harrison, who was Funds Developer for the Arts Club Theatre, realized that an AIDS epidemic was quietly claiming the lives of many Vancouver residents; in an effort to raise money for Vancouver's struggling direct service AIDS agencies, he enlisted the help of some of the city's talent to put on a show. This was not an easy task since the stigmatization around HIV/AIDS during the early years of the epidemic posed challenges for securing corporate sponsorship and recruiting performance artists to participate.

One person who readily agreed to perform was a vivacious red-head with seemingly limitless energy: Kendra Sprinkling. She continued her support as a featured vocalist for this annual event until David, diagnosed with AIDS himself, could no longer continue. Fearful about the future of the event, he asked Kendra to produce and direct *Starry Night*. In 1996, David Harrison lost his battle with AIDS. Shortly thereafter, Kendra, along with a committed Board of Directors, founded the Shooting Stars Foundation. Since that time, Kendra has served as the Foundation's Executive Director and with her unique style, enthusiasm and passionate commitment to the cause, has expanded the catalogue of annual events to include *Fit for a Queen*, *Motown Meltdown* and the *Shooting Stars Dinner and Auction*.

The mission of the Shooting Stars Foundation is to raise funds in its ongoing support of front-line AIDS organizations that provide supplemental health care, food and shelter to persons living with HIV/AIDS.

Over the years, numerous AIDS organizations in Vancouver have received hundreds of thousands of dollars through the Foundation and its events, including: the BC Persons With AIDS Society, the Dr. Peter Centre, Food For Thought Society, Friends for Life Society, A Loving Spoonful, McLaren Housing Society, Positive Women's Network and Wings Housing Society.

In recognition of the profound generosity and long-standing support that the Shooting Stars Foundation has extended to the AIDS community for almost two decades, most notably through the tireless dedication of its Executive Director, Kendra Sprinkling, the *AccolAIDS* award for Philanthropy is presented to the Shooting Stars Foundation.



Kendra Sprinkling & Shooting Stars Foundation



Health Promotion and Harm Reduction

The award in this category recognizes achievements in the areas of Health Promotion and/or Harm Reduction. Health Promotion initiatives typically enable people to increase control over and effectively improve their health; this involves initiatives which develop personal skills, create supportive environments, strengthen community action, build healthy public policy and reorient health services. A related concept, Harm Reduction, is a pragmatic and humanistic approach to diminishing the individual and social harms associated with drug and alcohol use through approaches that safeguard the dignity, humanity and human rights of people who use these substances.

Evanna Brennan and Susan Giles joined the Vancouver Health Department (now the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority) in the home care nursing program in 1979. For the past 15 years, they have collaborated to deliver home care nursing services to a population of marginalized people in the Downtown Eastside (DTES); many of these individuals have been multi-diagnosed with HIV, Hepatitis C and have a history of substance use and/or mental illness.

In the mid 1990s, as the HIV epidemic began in Vancouver's DTES, Susan and Evanna began receiving referrals to provide home care nursing services in Canada's poorest neighbourhood. Through field experience and collaboration with inner city nurses in San Francisco, Amsterdam and Montreal, they developed an innovative model of "Action-Based Care" that defines principles and approaches to providing effective, ethical nursing care to this population with a goal of removing barriers to care. Their work has epitomized a health promotion and harm reduction philosophy — whether assisting clients in stabilizing their housing, considering factors such as diet and nutrition, helping them implement and maintain prophylactic and anti-retroviral medication regimens or provide palliative care and support — they have used a holistic and humanistic approach towards nursing care, responding to physical needs and social factors with sensitivity and respect.

Over the years, they have shared their approaches locally with staff from the Health Authority, AIDS organizations and hospitals and have co-presented at numerous national and international conferences. Their work has been profiled through the media, in University lectures, in prestigious academic journals, and for the past 3 years through their website (www.multidx.com). In 1999, both nurses were honoured as co-recipients of the *Jill Sullivan Award of Excellence in HIV/AIDS Nursing* by the Canadian Association of Nurses in AIDS Care.

For their outstanding contribution to AIDS work in the DTES, we are pleased to present Evanna Brennan and Susan Giles with the *AccolAIDS* 2003 award for Health Promotion and Harm Reduction.



**Evanna Brennan, RN
Susan Giles, RN**

Service Delivery



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The Service Delivery award recognizes AIDS-specific or related programs, services or work carried out for the benefit of an individual, a group of people or for a community. Both the level of service and the quality of the delivery contribute to the overall success of service delivery programs for PWAs.

Ward 10C at St. Paul's Hospital/Providence Health was established in February 1997 as an 18 bed specialized HIV/AIDS unit. Prior to that time, HIV care was provided on the four medical teaching units of the hospital as well as through the palliative care ward. The fundamental goal of 10C was to improve the continuity of care for PWAs through a comprehensive interdisciplinary team specializing in HIV/AIDS. Many of the nurses from the original 10C team had provided care to PWAs since the early days of the epidemic through other units in the hospital; these nurses vehemently rejected the stigma associated with HIV and made efforts to change attitudes of prejudice and ostracism routinely experienced by hospitalized PWAs. During the same period that 10C was established, the hospital was beginning to see a new emerging epidemic of HIV-infected drug users, who brought with them an entirely different set of medical requirements as well as psycho-social issues. The nurses of 10C demonstrated a remarkable combination of skill and experience, compassionate attention and a deep commitment to the highest quality of nursing care.

Today, there are 25 nurses (RNs and LPNs) at St. Paul's who work primarily on 10C as well as a number of additional casual employees. The unit increased to 21 patient beds in January of this year which maintains a 96% occupancy rate. Nurses on the ward typically work in rotating shifts of 12 hours each, four days on followed by three days off, including overnights. During the day, each nurse on shift will oversee approximately five patients; on overnight shifts, one nurse will be responsible for seven patients.

Care is becoming increasingly complex on 10C and nurses working on this unit require a remarkable skill set which includes acute AIDS care, palliative and supportive care and rehabilitation nursing. They approach their work not only with the skill of experienced professionals, but also with a type of compassionate care, patience and dedication that no amount of educational or practical training could possibly provide. Most importantly, the nurses from 10C work on that unit by choice – because of a deep affinity for this type of work – because of their sense of team spirit – because they truly care about the health and lives of people living with HIV/AIDS.

For both the quality and level of nursing care provided to people living with HIV/AIDS in BC, the 2003 *AccolAIDS* Award for Service Delivery is presented to the nurses from unit 10C, St. Paul's Hospital.



**St. Paul's Hospital
10C Nurses**