

TOP 25 WOMEN OF INFLUENCE

Meet Canada's Most Accomplished Role Models at the 2021 Top 25 Women of Influence™ Virtual Awards Ceremony

This year's Top 25 women represent a variety of sectors, career stages, and contributions to women's advancement.

February 2, 2021 - Toronto ON - On Wednesday, March 10, 2021, Women of Influence, in partnership with presenting sponsor [Ricoh Canada](#), and feature sponsors [BMO](#) and [Smith School of Business](#), will shine a spotlight on Canada's self-identified women and gender-diverse role models at the [2021 Top 25 Virtual Awards Ceremony](#). Designed as an interactive broadcast, the afternoon will recognize the extraordinary accomplishments of the recipients who have all left their mark over the past year: contributing to the greater good through their initiatives; using their influence to drive positive change; or reaching inspiring heights on a global stage.

Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient Camille Orridge, Senior Fellow at Wellesley Institute and former CEO of the Toronto Central Local Health Integration Network (LHIN), and 2021 Top 25 Award Recipient Larissa Crawford, Founder of Future Ancestors Services, are the feature speakers who will be broadcasted virtually to an international audience.

"Our goal at Women of Influence is to recognize and celebrate the diverse accomplishments of role models across Canada by amplifying their voices and bringing them into the spotlight," says **Alicia Skalin, Co-CEO, Head of Events & Programming.**

"As this year's presenting sponsor, celebrating diversity and inclusion acts on our promise of the Ricoh Way – to embrace and respect the collective and unique talents, experiences, and perspectives of everyone," says **Eric Fletcher, Vice President of Marketing at Ricoh Canada.**

Across the country, these women are accomplishing incredible feats, from launching meaningful initiatives to winning awards on the world stage, their achievements are worth recognition, and celebration. They are academics and executives, athletes and activists, and, by any benchmark, individuals of immeasurable influence.

Meet the 2021 Top 25 Women of Influence:

[Kluane Adamek](#) - Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Yukon Regional Chief

[Sara Asalya](#) - Founder and Executive Director, The Newcomer Students' Association

[Nelly Bassily](#) - Manager of Youth Initiatives and International Relationships, DAWN Canada

[Bonnie Butlin](#) - Co-founder and Executive Director, Security Partners' Forum

[Michelle Chubb](#) - TikTok Influencer, Indigenous Activist

[Larissa Crawford](#) - Founder, Future Ancestors Services
[Azadeh Dastmalchi](#) - Co-founder and CEO, VitalTracer
[Dr. Lucy Gilbert](#) - Professor in the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology and the Department of Oncology at McGill University
[Kayla Grey](#) - Journalist
[Ali Haberstroh](#) - Founder, Not-Amazon.ca
[Tanya Hayles](#) - Founder, Black Moms Connect
[June Joplin](#) - Pastor
[Rania Llewellyn](#) - President and CEO, Laurentian Bank of Canada
[Catherine O'Hara](#) - Canadian Actress, Comedian, Writer, and Singer
[Lori Nikkel](#) - CEO, Second Harvest
[Camille Orridge](#) - Senior Fellow at Wellesley Institute and former CEO of the Toronto Central Local Health Integration Network (LHIN)
[Annamie Paul](#) - Green Party of Canada Leader
[Christine Sinclair](#) - Canadian Olympian and Professional Soccer Player
[Dr. Theresa Tam](#) - Chief Public Health Officer of Canada
[Maryam Tsegaye](#) - Student, international Breakthrough Junior Challenge Winner
[Claire Williams](#) - CEO, Foundations for Social Change
[Ravyn Wngz](#) - Artist & Activist
[Darby Young](#) - Founder of Level Playing Field
[Donna Young](#) - Dean, Faculty of Law, Ryerson University
[Anila Lee Yuen](#) - President and CEO, Centre for Newcomers
[Dr. Gelareh Zadeh](#) - Neurosurgeon, Associate Professor at the Department of Surgery at the University of Toronto

About the Keynote Speakers

Meet Camille Orridge

As a Senior Fellow at Wellesley Institute and former CEO of the Toronto Central Local Health Integration Network (LHIN), Camille is a passionate advocate for social change and health equity. Over her 50+ year career — during which she climbed from ward maid to CEO — Camille has always prioritized patient and community needs, collaborating to build programs and initiatives that have had a positive and enduring impact on people's lives.

Meet Larissa Crawford

Larissa is a published Indigenous and anti-racism researcher, award-winning ribbon skirt artist, restorative circle keeper, and proudly passes on Métis and Jamaican ancestry to her daughter, Zyra. She is the Founder of Future Ancestors Services, a youth-led professional services social enterprise that advances equity and climate justice through lenses of ancestral accountability and anti-racism.

About the Event

For more event information, visit <https://www.womenofinfluence.ca/event/2021-top-25/>

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