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100 ACCOMPLISHED BLACK CANADIAN WOMEN

100ABCWomen Update #2

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A Love Letter to our Supporters!

Dear Family, Friends and Supporters of 100ABCWomen Project:

With the close of 2019 Black History Month, we acknowledge and thank those women who relentlessly fought for the right to have February designated as the month where we recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of Black Canadians. We especially thank the Hon. Dr. Jean Augustine, the first Black Canadian woman elected to Parliament, who introduced the motion in the House of Commons in 1995, to officially recognize February as Black History Month in Canada. It was received unanimously.

We established the 100ABCWomen project in order to identify and recognize Black Canadian Women for their accomplishments and we will endeavour to do so using every opportunity which becomes available. That is why we have opened the nominations process early for the third edition of "100 Accomplished Black Canadian Women-2020. Already, we have received several nominations, but we know there are many more accomplished women in Canada.

In support of *International Women's Month*, the co-authors of 100ABCWomen will also be participating in a one-woman show - "Virgin", a provocative comedy, produced and performed by Alyson Renaldo. Opening night is, Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 8 pm. Check out this link to purchase your tickets soon and get more details[http:// www.nativeearth.ca/akistudio/virgin/](http://www.nativeearth.ca/akistudio/virgin/) The event starts with:

- ☐ Red Carpet Event
- ☐ Welcome —by Hon. Dr. Jean Augustine
- ☐ Feature Performance— Virgin. By Alyson Renaldo
- ☐ Fireside Chat —moderated by Dr. Denise O'Neil Green

Don't wait until the last minute to have fun and laughter with us. Look out for more information about another event in September, that will allow us to uplift and spotlight our Accomplished Black Canadian Women.

From the co-authors—100ABCWomen

With Love and Deepest appreciation!

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100 Accomplished Black Canadian Women — 2018



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- ◇ Amazon .ca

<https://www.100abcwomen.ca/how-to-get-your-book/>

****Quote for this edition****

"If I didn't define myself for myself, I would be crunched into other people's fantasies for me and eaten alive." **Audrey Lord**

Congratulations are in Order!

It's All About Progress! Well done 100ABC Honourees!

2019 Harry Jerome Award Recipients

Karen Burke is a musician from Brampton. Born in Brantford, Ontario, she is a York University Professor, and is the Director and Co-Founder of the Juno Award-winning Toronto Mass Choir. She has travelled across the country and around the world to bring Canadian gospel music to the world stage.

Paulette Senior is the President and CEO of the Canadian Women's Foundation, and is recognized as one of the most respected and vocal women leaders in the country. She has devoted her career to empowering women and girls to overcome barriers and reach their full potential.

Frances Anne Solomon is a Trinidadian-Canadian-British filmmaker, writer, producer, distributor, curator and cultural entrepreneur. Born in England of Trinidadian parents, she began her professional life at the BBC in England, where she built a successful career as a Producer with BBC Radio Drama, then with BBC Television.



Karen Burke



Paulette Senior



Frances Anne Solomon

Showcasing and documenting the talent of Accomplished Black Women is important to us. Please help make the knowledge of your talent and skills accessible to all by inserting your data into our public profile database (PPD). Please click on the link to add your profile.



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University of the West Indies honours Dr. Donette Chin-Loy Chang with a doctor's of law degree.

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you!

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In the News!

<https://www.100abcwomen.ca/in-the-news/>



2020—3rd edition of 100 ABCWomen Book Launch & Gala on Saturday, September 26, 2020 at Woodbine Banquet Hall, Toronto

2020 Nomination Are Opens

<https://www.100abcwomen.ca/nomination-form-2020/>

Career Opportunities

- ♦ Bursaries and Scholarship opportunities:

<https://worldscholarshipforum.com/>

Job Opportunities at Eli Lilly—Check them out at :

www.lilly.ca

City of Toronto—Blacks on Board Project—Please apply—www.toronto.ca/ServeYourCity—Lots of Board Opportunities available

Need Board Governance Training? Learn more at www.onboardcanada.ca

Please send your career opportunities that you want posted on our website to:

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Upcoming Events Calendar

<https://www.100abcwomen.ca/events/2019-02/>

- ♦ Black History Month Activities—share your activities
- ♦ 100ABCWomen—Project Launch — March 2019
- ♦ Ryerson University is busy planning activities that will culminate in the celebration of the annual Viola Desmond Awards on March 4, 2019.
- ♦ April 11th—Launch of One Woman's show 'Virgin' produced by Alyson Renaldo—tickets are on sale. Go the website to purchase tickets: <http://www.nativeearth.ca/akistudio/virgin/>
- ♦ Recognizing Women's International Month—April 2019
- ♦ 100ABCWomen Nominations are open—click on the link to nominate an Accomplished Black Canadian Woman - <https://www.100abcwomen.ca/nomination-form-2020/>

History in the Making



Canada honours Albert Jackson with Postal Stamp....

Canada Post has issued a new stamp to honour Albert Jackson, the country's first Black letter carrier. The commemorative stamp will be part of the celebrations in February, Black History Month.

He was born in slavery in Delaware, around 1856. His family fled to Canada via the Underground Railroad, in 1858, and they subsequently settled in Toronto. In 1882, when many Black men worked as labourers Jackson landed a government-appointed job as a letter carrier. But on his first day, white postmen refused to

train him because he was Black, so he was reassigned to hall porter.

The incident sparked headlines in newspapers as controversy raged. Eventually the Black community mobilized and a delegation met with Prime Minister John A. Macdonald, demanding Jackson be put back on the mail route. Two days later, he was reinstated to deliver mail. He held that job for 36 years until he died in 1918. Jackson used to deliver the letters but now he is on the letters.



New Regional Senior Justice Of The Peace Appointed....

Justice of the Peace Martha De Gannes has been appointed Region Senior Justice of the Peace for the Central East region in Ontario effective March 1, 2019. The Central East region includes Barrie, Durham Region, Lindsay, Newmarket and

Peterborough. She will advise and assist the Associate Chief Justice/ Coordinator Justices of the Peace and the Regional Senior Judge, in all matters pertaining to justices of the peace. She will replace Regional Senior Justice of the Peace, Brian Norton.

Born in Trinidad, Martha De Gannes was appointed Justice of the Peace in Newmarket in 2007 and later, served as the Local Administrative Justice of the Peace in Ottawa. She presided for four years in the York region until her transfer to court locations in Durham region, where she was the first Black female Justice of the Peace. She has also held senior management positions with the Ministry of the Attorney General Criminal Law Division pertaining to domestic violence, bail safety programmes, victim services and high risk offenders.

Norma's SWEET POTATO PUDDING

Love to Cook?

1 1/2 sweet potato
2 oz yellow yam
3 cups coconut milk
1 tsp cinnamon
1/2 tsp ground ginger
1 tsp mixed spice
1 tsp grated nutmeg
1 1/2 tsp vanilla essence
1 1/2 tsp salt
1 cup brown sugar
4 tbsp raisins
2 tbsp currants
1/2 cup flour
2 tbsp rum or sherry (optional)
1 oz butter

- ⇒ Turn on oven to 350° F
- ⇒ Dice the potato and yam. Purée with coconut milk in blender.
- ⇒ Pour well blended mixture into a bowl. Add all the other ingredients except butter. Mix well.
- ⇒ Pour into a well-greased 8 inch tin or Pyrex dish Dot with butter. Bake on centre shelf for 1-1 1/2 hours or until a knife comes out clean when the centre of the pudding is checked.
- ⇒ Remove from the oven and serve
- ⇒ hot or cold with whipped cream.
- ⇒ Serves 8.

TIP: The mixture may be used as filling for a pie crust to make a Sweet Potato Pie

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