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## 100 ACCOMPLISHED BLACK CANADIAN (ABC) WOMEN

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**News Release** 

Mayor Bevilacqua to present Jean Augustine with Key to the City

Ms. Augustine recognized for life-long commitment to public service

Honourable Dr. Jean Augustine receives the Key to the City of Vaughan—City approves name of Jean Augustine Complex and Jean Augustine District Park! Congratulations!!

"I am honoured to receive the Key to the City of Vaughan from my dear friend and former colleague Mayor Maurizio Bevilacqua. During our time as Members of Parliament, we formed a bond that was strengthened by our shared experience as immigrants as well as the mutual belief in our duty to promote the values of fairness, equality and diversity within Canadian society. Together, we worked to advance important issues related to multiculturalism, citizenship and immigration – including my private members motion that established Black History Month in Canada. My career has been dedicated to building inclusive, enriching and welcoming communities right across Canada. I can say with complete confidence that the people and the City of Vaughan embody these values. I am grateful for Mayor Bevilacqua's continued friendship, and for his leadership in these challenging times." - Hon. Jean Augustine, PC, OOnt, CBE, CM



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- ⇒ www.Amazon .ca

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

**Quote of the Month:** 

"Strength doesn't come from what you can do, it comes from overcoming the things you once thought you couldn't. -Velma Morgan

# The Passing of a 100 ABC Loyal and Fierce Contributor / Committee Member— Loretta Jenifer Jones



On June 16, 2020, 100 Accomplished Black Canadian Women Committee, lost one of its finest. Loretta Jones lost her battle with cancer. Loretta has been a 100 organizer its inception. She served on the Event Planning, Nominations and Evaluation and Ticket Reconciliation Committees. She was an avid gardener, traveler/explorer, walker, interior designer; produced amazing bread puddings, biscotti, and coconut tarts. She was a deeply religious person. Loretta is the last of 14 children and also the cherished sister of ABC's 100 of authors: Dauna Jones Simmonds. The initiative has consistently benefitted from Loretta's loyalty, commitment, warmth

and a strong desire to lift up the Black Community. Her thought leadership, and positive energy will be deeply, deeply missed by every single one of us.

Loretta leaves behind her son Brent Jones, granddaughter Geneva Williams, 8 siblings, nieces and nephews., in-laws, cousins and friends. May Loretta continue to rest in eternal peace!

Her motto in life was "To give of your time is not a gift, but a

# Congratulations!



Gwyn Chapman—NEWLY
APPOINTED—Senior Advisor, Economic Empowerment and Anti-Black Racism—City of Brampton —
Well Done!\*

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## "NEWS YOU SHOULD USE"

SHE KNOWS, SHE TELLS YOU HERE...



Dr. Denise O'Neil Green, Co-Author of 100 Accomplished Black Women 2016, 2018 and 2020 (in process) and also Ryerson University's first Vice-President, Equity and Community Inclusion (OVPECI) lends a voice to the following article on Racism. The information represents a basic framework triggered by recent events in the United States. The article by no means exhausts the total story that unfolded but the protests that ensued spilled over into Canada which was portrayed under the heading as "Breaking News" on most TV news programmes. Dr. Green was invited to participate in developing this article on this very topical subject-Racism.

RACISM: a belief in the superiority of one group of people over another e.g. White Supremacy or White Supremacism is the racist belief that white people are superior to people of other races/colour and therefore should be dominant over them. Dr. O'Neil Green lived in an area that gave her the experience.....she didn't have to read about it. Authenticity and honesty came with her responses.

ANTI-RACISM: includes beliefs and actions developed to oppose RACISM on ideology, rejecting RACISM

**DISCRIMINATION:** an action or decision that treats a person or group badly for reasons such as race, age, colour, disability and more.

CAN RACISM BE ERADICATED? Yes! It will take time, hard work, education which includes training at all levels, discipline and very effective and efficient organizational skills.

SHOULD RACISM BE TAUGHT IN SCHOOLS? Yes! The topic belongs in the classroom, as well as at home. Children do notice differences ...so introducing the topic to them before it is presented by them will be easier. It has been said that if children do not see themselves or others looking like their parents around, they are apt to ask questions. Without the information they are missing a phenomenal part of who they are, which could eventually contribute to racism. Figuring out, when, where and how to begin the conversations about racial identity can be overwhelming, especially when making it part of the curriculum or part of everyday chats. The responsibility should outweigh the fear or awkwardness to do the "talk".

Listening to Dr. O'Neil Green was very interesting, in that experiencing racism vary in different places. In some areas, it is labeled systemic racism and it can be quite blatant. In other places it is hidden so deep in Society, it is either not recognized when it surfaces or it is known but denied. Recent events in the U.S.A. which sparked many days of protests brought racism to the surface in several countries around the world and protests were evident in every corner of the globe. These protests include every skin colour, all genders, all ages....it was amazing. Many people declared that for the first time they felt HOPE which for them it spelt CHANGE FOR GOOD.

To get your tickets for the Book Launch & Gala, please click on the url link below:

NEW DATE—SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

https://www.100abcwomen.ca/productcategory/2020-gala-tickets/

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thank

**Norma Wilson** 







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



2020—3rd 100 ABCWomen Book Launch & Gala on Saturday, September 18, 2021 at Woodbine Banquet Hall, Toronto

100 ABC Women

2022 Nomination Process is Open!

https://www.100abcwomen.ca/nomination-form-2022/

# Career Opportunities

Opportunities at City of Toronto—Click on the link to learn more about positions.

https://www.brainhunter.com/frontoffice/ seekerViewJobDetailAction.do? sitecode=pl389&jobId=232367&page=search&external

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

To apply to the Summer Leadership Program, please click on the following link: <a href="https://slp2020ple.infolib.ca/">https://slp2020ple.infolib.ca/</a>

https://www.gojobs.gov.on.ca/Preview.aspx? Language=English&JobID=145296

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

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# DATE CHANGE

2020 BOOK LAUNCH & GALA SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2021 WOODBINE BANQUET HALL 30 VICE REGENT BLVD TORONTO

95% Tickets are already sold!

### YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO RE-TAIN YOUR SEATS

100 ABC Women has made the important decision of rescheduling the 2020 Book Launch and Gala to Saturday, September 17, 2021—all details remain the same. The event will be preceded by a Symposium on Friday, September 17, 2021 from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm at the Woodbine Banquet Hall- - 30 Vice Regent Blvd., Toronto

### **Learn More About 2020 Honourees**

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### THE JEAN AUGUSTINE CHAIR IN EDUCATION, COMMUNITY AND DIASPORA



During the past weeks there have been much voices raised in protest locally, nationally and globally with systemic racism at the centre. However, we know that many positive and beneficial activities are happening. What comes to mind is THE JEAN AUGUSTINE CHAIR IN EDUCATION, COMMUNITY AND DIASPORA at York University. This university Chair, established through the donation of the Hon. Jean Augustine archival materials to York University. It was first launched in the Faculty of Education in 2008. The aim is to advance access, equity and inclusivity to education through community engagement. The chair holder would initiate, facilitate, direct and engage in research, educational programmes and community partnerships.

Speaking to the current Chair Holder, Dr. Carl E. James, gave some insights. He is

Professor in the Faculty of Education and holds cross-appointments in the Graduate Programmes in Sociology, Social and Political Thought and Social Work. He is also the university's Affirmative Action, Equity and Inclusivity Officer and was the Director of the York Centre on Education & Community (2008-2016) which he founded. As well, he was Director of the Graduate Programme in Sociology (2007-2008). For 17 years, he was Course Director in the Teacher Training Department at Uppsala University, Sweden.

Dr. Carl James brings to the table not just his qualification, but research contributions on the education and employment experiences and achievements of Black people, and young people in particular. Through his work in social equity and anti-racism, James promotes having culturally relevant institutional policies, programs and practices that ensure that Black Canadians gain the educational background, employment opportunities, workplace ranking, and social outcomes that make for successful lives in Canada.

This endowed Chair at York University is a \$3M commitment by Jean Augustine. Fundraising for the Jean Augustine Chair in Education is a necessary component to the success of this endowment. All donations are tax receiptable from York University. Community financial support would help advance the goal. Please click on this link <code>give@yorku.ca</code> and select Jean Augustine Chair in Education, to make your tax receiptable donation.

100ABCWomen is committed to recognizing and documenting the accomplishments of Black Canadian Women. All Honourees are encouraged to share their accomplishments so that our readers can appreciate the difference they are making in their respective communities.



### **GLAZED FRESH PEACH PIE**

#### **INGREDIENTS**

1 pie shell (9-inch, blind baked)

3/4 cup sugar

3 tablespoons cornstarch

1 can (12 oz) peach nectar

2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice

1 teaspoon lemon zest

3 lbs. firm ripe peaches, peeled, thickly sliced and chilled

### **DIRECTIONS**

Line the pie crust with foil, pressing it over the bottom and up the sides of the pan. Add pie weights to the lined crust.

Bake pie crust in a preheated oven at 400 F for 15 mins. Remove the pie weights and foil and reduce the oven temperature to 375 F.

Prick the pie crust in several places with a fork and bake for an additional 10 to 15 mins, or until the crust is golden brown.

Remove the pie crust to a rack to cool.

In a saucepan, combine sugar and cornstarch and cook over medium heat.

Gradually add peach nectar, lemon juice and lemon peel

Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly until the sugar and cornstarch dissolve.

When the mixture has thickened, remove from heat and let cool.

After the mixture gets close to room temperature, refrigerate the mixture to chill thoroughly.

Arrange half of the sliced peaches in the baked and cooled pie shell. Pour half of the chilled glaze over the peaches. Repeat with remaining peaches and glaze.

Chill the peach pie for at least 2 hours.

Serve alone or topped with a scoop of vanilla or peach ice cream.

(TIP.....If a frozen crust is being used, follow the package instructions for blind baking)

## Norma's Cooking—Delicious!!

"Strong Women Aren't simply born. They are made by the storms they walk through." Anonymous

Words of Wisdom shared by Her Worship— Tessa Benn-Ireland.