

## 2005 Ontario Premier's Awards for College Graduates Recipients



**Stephen Flowers**  
**Business**  
**Georgian College**

A 1983 graduate of Georgian College in Business Administration, Stephen Flowers worked part-time at UPS and, at 43, was the first non-American ever appointed by UPS as an International President. Stephen is currently President of UPS Americas, heading up a division of 10,200 employees. He has received numerous awards for his business management and leadership, including "Best International Operation". Stephen has been actively involved in local and national charity and volunteer work with the United Way. Stephen Flowers is an exceptional role model to the thousands of Canadian UPS employees, while never losing touch with his Georgian College roots.



**Beth Jordan**  
**Community Services**  
**George Brown College**

A social activist fighting violence against women, racism, and oppression, Beth Jordan is the 2005 recipient of the YWCA Toronto Women of Distinction Award for social justice. Jordan was responsible for stabilizing and expanding the Assaulted Women's Helpline into a province-wide service. She has consulted extensively with municipal, provincial and federal governments and police services and is active on a wide range of committees and coalitions, including the Chief Coroner of Ontario's Domestic Violence Death Review Committee - the only one of its kind in Canada. Jordan operates her own management consulting business, focusing on anti-racism and anti-oppression training to help non-profit organizations become more culturally confident.

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**Bob Munroe**  
**Creative Arts & Design**  
**Sheridan College**

Bob Munroe is a graduate of Sheridan's Computer Animation program and President of C.O.R.E. Digital Pictures, the company he founded in 1994 with two fellow Sheridan graduates and William Shatner of Star Trek fame. Today, C.O.R.E. is one of Canada's leading digital visual effects and animation studios. The work of its computer artists has been part of more than 55 feature films and 50 television series and movies-of-the-week. Under Munroe's leadership, C.O.R.E. has grown over the past decade to encompass four divisions with two studios in Toronto employing more than 400 people, many of them graduates of Sheridan and other Ontario colleges.



**Dr. Deborah Dudgeon**  
**Health Sciences**  
**George Brown College**

A medical oncologist with a subspecialty in palliative care, Dr. Deborah Dudgeon is making a difference through her teaching, clinical work, ground-breaking oncology research, and tireless efforts to improve palliative care in Ontario. She is the W. Ford Connell Professor of Palliative Care Medicine, Professor of Medicine and Oncology at Queen's University, and Head of Palliative Medicine and Supportive Care at the Cancer Centre of Southeastern Ontario. An international expert in dyspnea, (shortness of breath) in cancer patients, she has received numerous grants from Canada, the U.S., and overseas to pursue this important research. Last year, she was appointed Program Head for Palliative Care for Cancer Care Ontario.

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**Jeffery B. Collins**  
**Technology**  
**Centennial College**

Jeffrey B. Collins earned a diploma in Fluid Power Engineering and Industrial Robotics from Centennial College in 1985. Immediately following graduation, he worked for two companies, transforming their business models and substantially increasing their sales. In 1987 he founded CASTAR Corporation, the first of several successful businesses. His latest innovative venture is Medipattern, a cutting-edge medical imaging software company he started in 1999. An avid environmentalist and active father of two, Jeffrey also established the Belfountain Hatchery, a project to return salmon to the Credit River, and the Belfountain School Program that teaches children to be stewards of the environment.



**Michelle Lane**  
**Recent Graduate**  
**Sheridan College**

Michelle is Director/Owner and founder of the Toronto Montessori School for Autism, the first Montessori school in the world for children with autism. Her students are making great personal gains, a fact she attributes to her innovative "blending" of traditional treatment methods for autistic children with the strengths of the Montessori curriculum. She has published a book entitled *Autism: A Montessori Approach*, is currently completing a companion volume, is an accomplished singer/songwriter who has produced two CDs and two music videos, and plays violin and piano, which she incorporates into the daily curriculum at her Montessori school.