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# BOUNDLESS BOUNDLESS CONNITMENT

On November 20, 2012, the Boundless Campaign marked the first anniversary of its public launch, capping a year of momentum-building accomplishments that have propelled the University and its global leadership role and aspirations to the fore as a priority for philanthropy and volunteerism.

During the past year, the Boundless theme, and its twin pillars of preparing global citizens and meeting global challenges, have taken root across the University's divisions and among our global community of alumni. Through a busy calendar of alumni events and programming, campaign launches and milestones, Boundless has created a tide of momentum for the University, communicating a powerful vision of innovation and growth, providing new pathways for volunteer engagement and enhancing alumni pride and affinity.

Since the public launch of Boundless, our divisions have hosted 580 events for 33,900 alumni and friends. Spring Reunion—our marquee alumni gathering—was attended by more than 5,000 alumni and friends. The University hosted 117 alumni events in cities around the world. More than 5,300 alumni volunteered their time and talent for a range of projects, from book sales to speaking engagements to community engagement initiatives. Some 750 alumni mentored students. More than 7,000 alumni and friends attended 27 campaign events over the past year, and 150 joined campaign cabinets. These numbers speak vividly to the strength of our alumni programs and the corresponding engagement of our alumni with the University's mission and priorities.

The first public year of Boundless was also a record period for fundraising. The campaign surpassed the \$1.18 billion mark, thanks to \$215 million in gifts from 25,330 donors. This surge of support is opening doors of opportunity for students and faculty across the institution. It is a testament to the commitment of our alumni and friends and their shared belief in the importance of higher education to creating a better world for this and subsequent generations.

In the following pages, you will read about the people, events and milestones that shaped the first year of Boundless. We have organized our report in a timeline format, beginning with the launch of our campaign on November 20, 2011. As you follow the timeline, you will encounter many examples of alumni who are connecting with our students and fellow alumni to share the bonds of the U of T experience and strengthen our institution. At the same time, you will get a glimpse of our divisional campaign launches, the opportunities for transformative growth and the remarkable outpouring of support we have received for faculty, programs, new buildings and, most critically, tens of thousands of U of T students.

The boundless engagement and commitment of our alumni and supporters continues to elevate U of T and provide us with the freedom to pursue our most ambitious visions for the future. We are grateful for this support and look forward to an even brighter year ahead.

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**David Palmer**, Vice-President, University Advancement

## 20.11.11 Launching Boundless

On November 20, 2011, nearly 1,000 alumni, friends, students, faculty and staff gathered under the lights of Convocation Hall to launch Boundless: the Campaign for the University of Toronto.

At its core, the event was a celebration of the University's community both its tradition of leadership, past and present, and its potential to enhance that extraordinary legacy for future generations.

President David Naylor, in his keynote address, spoke about the "confluence of talent, imagination, dedication and generosity" that built the University into a place of global relevance and impact. He spoke of the talented professors, supported by their students and staff, who developed insulin, discovered stem cells, reinvented literary criticism, theorized modern media and the digital age, and pioneered in fields as diverse as organ transplantation and computer graphics. He also acknowledged the remarkable scope of U of T's alumni community, noting "there is no continent nor any walk of life where Toronto alumni are not in leadership roles."

Building on this foundation of excellence and impact, President Naylor highlighted the ways in which U of T is addressing the global challenges of health care, energy efficiency, the fight against poverty and the development of sustainable cities all critical priorities for the Boundless campaign.

The event also showcased the remarkable talents of students. Student performers gave a one hour concert prior to the formal program, which included a Latin jazz combo, taiko drumming, opera singers and other ensembles. Boundless, the campaign theme, was introduced in a special video showcasing alumni, faculty and students, with a special score composed by Kevin Lau, a student in the Faculty of Music. Recent Faculty of Music graduate Aaron Tsang composed the opening fanfare especially for the occasion.

The public launch was a watershed moment, rallying our community around a common vision for U of T's role and aspirations, and celebrating its global impact and leadership of its alumni, students, faculty, staff, and supporters. The occasion generated palpable momentum for the campaign, instilled pride and conviction among our constituents, conveyed the urgency and relevance of our priorities, and highlighted the vital importance of alumni involvement.

Professor Gillian MacKay of the Faculty of Music conducts student brass musicians in a fanfare during the launch of the Boundless campaign at Convocation Hall.

#### Boundless in the Making

Before the campaign launched on November 20, it was clear that the University would need an authentic and powerful theme to convey our excellence and aspirations to the public and our global alumni community.

The idea of Boundless emerged from months of research and dialogue with numerous stakeholders, including faculty and staff members, principals and deans, alumni, donors and students. The word *Boundless*—in all of its simplicity—took hold because it resonated with each of the Universities constituents.

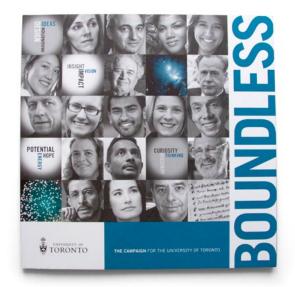
Boundless connects to the University's research and teaching missions, the boundary crossing nature of our research and the extraordinary creativity of our professoriate and the global impact of their scholarship.

Boundless reflects the remarkable diversity of our students and the limitless possibilities before them—a fact most evident in our first-year undergraduate student body, which this year comes from 111 countries and over 900 municipalities around the world. They come to U of T for an educational experience that expands their horizons and prepares them to lead in a complex world. Boundless speaks to their desire to improve the lives of individuals and societies around the globe.

Boundless also resonates with U of T alumni our ever-expanding network of talent and expertise that includes more than 500,000 graduates in more than 180 countries. It speaks to the impact they have across a broad range of professions and the leadership roles they play in thousands of communities around the world.

Moreover, Boundless speaks to the aspirations of our donors who see the vast potential of our university to address the defining challenges of our times and fulfill Canada's need for talent, innovation, and leadership.

Boundless holds up a mirror to the entire U of T community: our values, what we do and why it matters. The Boundless campaign, which is built around the twin pillars of Preparing Global Citizens and Meeting Global Challenges, is a celebration of our great community of faculty, students, alumni and supporters, who together have the power to change the world for the better. The Boundless campaign case for support, released on November 20, 2011, provided an overview of the University's aspirations and the vital role of alumni and supporters.





On November 21, we announced Boundless to the general public through ads placed in the *Globe and Mail* and *Toronto Star*, billboards at Billy Bishop airport, and select magazine placements. The first ad, "a Boundless wordle," conveyed the extensive contributions of our alumni, faculty and students across an impressive spectrum of fields.





#### Boundless Reach

Telling our alumni story, alongside stories of our faculty and students, is a critical goal of the Boundless campaign. More than half a million strong, our alumni community includes groundbreaking scientists, artists, designers, journalists, teachers, health professionals, entrepreneurs, athletes, philanthropists, humanitarians, volunteers, public servants, Supreme Court Justices, Nobel Laureates and prime ministers who are making substantial contributions to global society.

Through a busy calendar of alumni programs and gatherings, campaign launches and milestone events, stories of alumni leadership and contributions were brought to the fore again and again, vividly illustrating their impact on society broadly, and on the University's global reputation and footprint. In the telling of this story, we presented alumni with an opportunity to see U of T anew and reflect on the many reasons for greater engagement, pride and affinity.

Our newspaper ad campaign for Boundless, featured here, was one expression of our wonderful alumni story.

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# 29.11.11 Building the Future of Law

There are few more stark contrasts in our University, than that between the University's renowned Faculty of Law known throughout North America for its excellence and scholarship, high standards and extraordinary graduates and the Faculty's severely constrained facilities. For decades, the Faculty of Law has grappled with the challenge of increased enrolment, with more students, more faculty and more activities than Flavelle House, Falconer Hall and its southern extensions could productively contain.

As a result, the Faculty has made facilities renewal the centerpiece of Law's campaign, with a brilliant and enabling new complex designed by Toronto architectural firm Hariri Pontarini, combining the original mansions with a new wing of bright classrooms, modern offices and soaring common spaces bathed in natural light.

Recognizing this urgency, and the critical leadership role that the Faculty's alumni and scholarship have played toward the practice and rule of law in this country, Law alumni and their firms have responded with extraordinary generosity. Announced just days after the main Boundless launch, the Law campaign has, since November 2012, raised \$32.5 million toward its \$36 million private sector goal for the new building.

To date, 17 law firms have given to the building campaign, including precedent setting contributions from Torys LLP and Osler, Hoskin and Harcourt LLP.

Their contributions represent a new benchmark for Canadian law firm giving. Notable individual donors include Hal Jackman (see profile), David Asper and John Schumacher.

By rallying alumni pride and generosity, the Faculty of Law Renewal Campaign will increase usable area in the school by 50 per cent, including lecture halls of 110, 75 and 50 seats and a 210 seat moot court. The modernized Bora Laskin Law Library will be united with Philosopher's Walk. In both magnitude and quality, the project will create a superb forum for learning, teaching, research and debate.



#### A Landmark Contribution

One of the University's most generous benefactors, the Honourable Henry N. R. "Hal" Jackman (LLB 1956) has made the largest donation ever to the law school: \$10 million.

This former lieutenant governor of Ontario and former U of T chancellor has been a stalwart friend of higher learning for more than half a century. His donation of \$30 million towards the establishment of U of T's Jackman Humanities Institute was the largest gift to the humanities ever received by a Canadian university. As a champion of the arts, Jackman has served on many boards and directed grants to more than 200 arts and educational organizations through the Hal Jackman Foundation. This new gift of \$10 million to name the Jackman Law Building has helped close the gap on the resources necessary to begin construction in summer 2013. This latest gift is in addition to the \$1 million donation Jackman made at the time of the launch of the Faculty of Law Renewal Campaign, which will commemorate the legacy of Lord Watson and Viscount Haldane – two members of the British Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, who in the 1890s and early 20<sup>th</sup> century ruled on several influential decisions that determined the relationship and division of powers between the federal government and the provinces in Canada.

## 31.01.12 Groundbreaking for Goldring



The University of Toronto has a proud tradition of excellence in sport a tradition that will take a giant leap forward with the new Goldring Centre for High Performance Sport. The Goldring Centre will be a world class hub for sport and exercise research, sport medicine and training and competition. Scheduled to open in 2015, the Goldring Centre will house international level basketball and volleyball courts, a relocated and expanded David L. MacIntosh Sport Medicine Clinic, research labs and a strength and fitness centre accessible to all U of T students. But the new facility is not just for elite athletes; it will also strengthen U of T's capacity to conduct community outreach and encourage a culture of sport, fitness and health in Canada.

On January 31, 2012, 300 alumni, students, faculty and donors gathered for the Goldring Centre's groundbreaking ceremony under the dome at Varsity Stadium. The event was an opportunity to celebrate student and alumni achievement in sport and to thank the many generous benefactors who have made the Goldring Centre possible. The centre is supported by a lead donation from the late Warren Goldring (BA 1949 UC, LLD Hon. 2003) and his children Blake Goldring (BA 1981 VIC) and Judy Goldring (BA 1987 VIC); Ron Kimel, whose \$10 million gift will create the Kimel Family Field House within the complex; the late Gord Stollery, who donated \$1 million for the Frank Blackstock Stollery Atrium; and a generous grant from the Province of Ontario. Together, these commitments have contributed \$51 million toward the \$58 million funding requirements for the centre.



#### Rosie the Riveting

After turning in a nearly perfect performance in the individual trampoline event, U of T alumna Rosie MacLennan (BPHE 2011) became Canada's first and only gold medallist of the 2012 London Olympics. As an Olympian, MacLennan joined a long line of U of T students and alumni who have competed in the Games. The University of Toronto has been represented at every Olympics since the 1900 Paris Games, where U of T graduate George Orton (BA 1893) won gold in the 2500 m steeplechase and bronze in the 400 m hurdles collecting all of the medals won by Canada that year. For MacLennan winning the gold is just the beginning. In addition to wearing the hat of a world class athlete, MacLennan has returned to U of T as a graduate student and remains a tireless ambassador for U of T athletics both at home and abroad. Together with former teammate Sarah Gairdner (BPHE 2009, MSc 2011), MacLennan has helped to raise more than \$200,000 for the Goldring Centre and during the London Games, she and fellow U of T Olympian Sarah Wells spoke at a U of T Alumni and Friends reception in London. Beth Ali, Director of Intercollegiate and High Performance Sport, and Bruce Kidd (BA 1965), former dean of the Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education and former Olympian, were also in attendance.

# 20.02.12 Strengthening Alumni Connections in China

The University of Toronto has more alumni in China than in any other country outside of North America and our graduates from China are making important contributions across a broad spectrum of fields. In February 2012, President David Naylor and a delegation from the University of Toronto traveled to Shanghai and Beijing to strengthen academic, research and teaching partnerships with postsecondary institutions in China and to help raise awareness of the University's profile in this vital region of the world.

During the week-long visit, the president hosted alumni receptions in Shanghai and Beijing. These events helped to deepen the University's engagement with alumni, friends and parents abroad. They also offered a unique opportunity for President Naylor to highlight areas of active research collaboration with top Chinese institutions in areas such as neuroscience, nanotechnology, political science, biophysics, hematology, critical care medicine, cancer and diabetes.

These events also offered a wonderful occasion to recognize the tremendous impact that U of T alumni are making in the region. The presence of U of T alumnus Mark Rowswell made the Beijing gathering a particularly special occasion. Rowswell graduated from U of T with a Bachelor of Arts in Chinese studies in 1988 and was subsequently awarded a full scholarship to continue Chinese language studies at Peking University. More than two decades later, Rowswell is known to hundreds of millions of Chinese people as the performer "Dashan." The best-known foreigner living in China, Rowswell is currently serving as Canada's Goodwill Ambassador to China.







# 27.03.12 Celebrating Student Leadership

# Leadership Outside the Classroom

Creating neurology apps, launching Movember campaigns to fight prostate cancer, volunteering legal services to those in need, helping students battle depression through running and fitness... these are just a few examples of the commitment to community of recent Cressy Award winners.

On March 27, 2012, the University community gathered a Varsity Centre to celebrate student leadership across our three campuses. More than 180 students received Cressy Awards. Established by the University of Toronto Alumni Association in 1994, the Cressy Awards recognize graduating students for their contributions outside of the classroom to the campus, community and to the wider world. Gordon Cressy, a former University of Toronto vice-president, is the inspiration for the awards. His remarkable career on behalf of the community includes leadership roles at United Way Toronto, the Learning Partnership, Canadian Tire Foundation for Families, Ryerson University and the Toronto District School Board, to name a few.

Alumni Relations coordinates the award ceremony as well as the selection process, which includes input from every University division. Since the award's inception, more than 2,600 graduates have been honoured with a Cressy Award, epitomizing U of T's ever-growing community of passionate, talented and engaged global citizens.

#### Overcoming Conflict

2012 Cressy winner **Jothi Shanmugam** (BA 2012) came to Canada as a refugee from Sri Lanka when she was seven. Growing up, she found herself questioning her identity as an immigrant and why her life was forcibly uprooted. It also gave her a need to understand conflict and how it can be overcome.

"I had too many unanswered questions about conflict resolution because it is close to my heart, it's part of my identity, it's who I am," says the criminology and peace and conflict studies graduate.

For her passionate pursuit of these questions, both academically and through international volunteer work, Shanmugam was recognized with a Cressy Award and the Dean's Student Leadership Award in the Faculty of Arts and Science.

She has co-written a policy paper on Sri Lanka that was presented to representatives of the Canadian, British and Swiss governments, among others, and helped create an organization that is building wells in war-affected areas of northern Sri Lanka. On another project in Kenya, where she spent four months running public-health and HIV-AIDS workshops, she learned of the desperate need for glaucoma and cataract treatment. She responded by coordinating efforts between a local eye hospital and the health ministry to provide the eye care to more than 1,000 Kenyans.



# 30.03.12 Preparing Global Citizens at Arts & Science

Preparing students for success in a more interconnected and globalized world is the core of what the Faculty of Arts and Science is about. Arts and Science is a university within a university, with 30,000 undergraduate and graduate students, 930 scholars and scientists and nearly 200,000 active alumni in more than 160 countries. This diverse and rich array of talent crosses three major fields of study—the humanities, sciences and social sciences—to create a cross-disciplinary hub for research, innovation and learning that is the envy of other universities in Canada and around the world.

The \$250 million campaign for the Faculty of Arts and Science—launched in the Great Hall of Hart House on March 28, 2012—will increase the Faculty's capacity to prepare global citizens and meet the most pressing global challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, from understanding our place in the cosmos and finding solutions to environmental and energy issues to advancing human health and fostering creative, prosperous and just societies.

The cornerstone of this unprecedented initiative is a \$75-million component that will increase the Faculty's innovative undergraduate programs that promote interdisciplinary thinking, first-year learning communities, international learning experiences and research opportunities.

U of T student **Rajin Singh** (right) took part in a comparative politics course at Fudan University in Shanghai, led by Professor Joseph Wong, Canada Research Chair in Democratization, Health and Development and director of U of T's Asian Institute. The campaign for the Faculty of Arts and Science will support international learning experiences for students.





# 04.04.12 Imagination Unbound at Victoria University

Gordon Cressy Student Leadership Award winner **Akash Goel** (BSc 2011) is former president of the Victoria University Students' Administrative Council and co founder of the Scientists in Training Undergraduate Program, a peer mentorship program for life science students.

In April 2012, Victoria University President Paul Gooch announced a bold plan for its \$60 million "Imagination Unbound" fundraising campaign, which will seek support for scholarships and bursaries, academic programs such as Vic One, international learning experiences and enhancements to student life, as well as the new Goldring Student Centre a much needed hub for student activity on campus. Seventy per cent of the goal had already been raised by the groundbreaking in May, including a lead gift of \$4 million from Blake Goldring (BA 1981) and Judy Goldring (BA 1988).

With 80 per cent of Vic students commuting to the University, the Goldring Centre, slated

to open in 2013, will be a home away from home where they can exchange ideas and socialize. At the launch, Kate Bruce Lockhart, U of T's 2012 Moss Scholar, said Vic has given her "a myriad of opportunities to grow in both an academic and personal capacity" and that a Vic education means caring not just about GPAs "but the world around us."

The campaign also has ambitious plans for Emmanuel College, Victoria's theological college, including expansion of the Master of Pastoral Studies to initiate a Muslim Studies Program, the first of its kind in Canada.

# Boundless Alumni Connections

The University of Toronto and our worldwide network of regional alumni representatives played host to 117 alumni events outside of the Greater Toronto area in 2011–2012. The events reconnected graduates, inspired pride of association and featured thoughtprovoking presentations by some of the University's most distinguished professors. Events were held in cities such as Jerusalem, Keserwan (Lebanon), Kingston (Jamaica), San Francisco and Taipei. In addition, Engineering, Rotman, Medicine and Law hosted numerous alumni events around the world.

In April, U of T hosted alumni gatherings in Vancouver, Calgary, Moncton and Washington. The events showcased the talents and expertise of alumni and world-renowned U of T researchers.

University of Toronto Mississauga Principal Deep Saini hosted events in Calgary and Vancouver, where Professor Robert Reisz spoke about his multi-year program of exploration and research at a nesting site in South Africa that yielded the oldest known dinosaur eggs and babies. In Washington, Professor **Ray Jaywardhana** (Right) talked about planets beyond our solar system.

In Moncton, alumni participated in a Frye Festival discussion on the role of the critic in modern society. For many alumni, the events were the first opportunity to hear from U of T representatives about the Boundless campaign and the University's vision and aspirations for the future.





### An Expanding Global Network

The University of Toronto has about 90 regional representatives around the world. This global network of volunteers helps organize activities that connect alumni and ensures that our graduates remain engaged in university life.

#### **Regional Events Survey**

- 96% of attendees stated events exceeded or met expectations
- 94% said events fostered pride in U of T
- 84% said events fostered an intellectual connection to U of T
- 85% said events fostered a sense of belonging to the U of T community

# 10.05.12 Reviving Innis Town Hall

On May 10, 2012, alumni **Nathan Morlando** (BA 1992) and **Allison Black** (HBA 1998) returned to campus to screen their award-winning film **Edwin Boyd: Citizen Gangster** to a full house of students, faculty, alumni and friends at the Innis College Town Hall. Based on the true story of a WWII vet and family man turned bank robber, the film won the Best Canadian First Feature Film at TIFF 2011, launching Morlando and Black into the big leagues of the international film community.

The Edwin Boyd screening was one of approximately 400 events that take place at the Innis Town Hall each year. In an age where people watch movies across a diversity of platforms, the Town Hall offers a space where film-lovers can come together to share the cinematic experience. The Hall welcomes more than 50,000 community visitors each year for film festivals, receptions, workshops, symposia and public lectures. In October 2011, Innis College launched a campaign to revitalize the Town Hall. The revitalization will elevate the hall to a first-class facility with state-of-the-art sound and lighting, enhanced comfort and versatility, a revitalized lobby and improved accessibility. In addition to renovating Town Hall, Innis College is seeking support to strengthen student life and learning through new scholarships, programming, lectureships, professorships and capital enhancements.



# Helping Drive Innovation at UTM

The region surrounding University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM) has emerged as a pillar of Canada's knowledge economy—with the campus firmly situated as its hub. In Mississauga alone, there are 1,300 multinational corporations, 61 Fortune 500 companies, and a growing number of high-tech businesses in financial services, life sciences and other areas.

UTM's transformation both builds upon and feeds this growth through a model of intense engagement with the community that has paved the way for dramatic advances in management, biotechnology, healthcare and other areas. Celebration of these relationships was the order of the day on May 23, 2012 as the campus launched its \$60 million campaign as part of Boundless, with the proposed new Institute of Management and Innovation as its flagship initiative. The evening celebrated UTM's 40,000 alumni, its collaborative and supportive relationships with industry, and the important role the Institute and other campaign initiatives will play in advancing Canada's leadership and innovation.

UTM's accomplished alumni are joined by a passionate community of friends and supporters. These include: Terrence Donnelly and Carlo Fidani who led the way toward creation of the Mississauga Academy of Medicine and the Terrence Donnelly Health Sciences Complex; Vasu Chanchlani, who enabled creation of the Centre for South Asian Civilizations; and Amgen Canada, which is supporting a fellowship in biotechnology and a professorship in health system strategy.









Artistic rendering of the proposed Kaneff Centre expansion. The centre will house the new Institute of Management and Innovation, which combines innovative business education with sector-specific expertise.



#### **Engaging South Asia**

Entrepreneur and philanthropist **Vasu Chanchlani**'s (MBA 1986) visionary gift of \$2 million to create the Centre for South Asian Civilizations will strengthen ties to the local South Asian community and help connect students to one of the world's most dynamic economic and cultural powers. Mr. Chanchlani's gift supports student exchanges, interdisciplinary research as well as a lecture series featuring South Asian scholars, artists and public figures.