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# Local Early Learning & Child Care Professionals Honoured

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More than 45 registered early childhood educators, volunteers, full day early learning programs and students received recognition on Thursday November 19th at a special awards ceremony emceed by 105.7 EZ Rock Morning Show Host Lori Love. The ceremony was part of the 19th Annual Niagara Early Learning and Child Care Awards of Excellence Celebration coordinated by the Early Childhood Community Development Centre (ECCDC).

More than 370 guests were in attendance at the medieval masquerade themed gala,

sponsored by Louise Kool & Galt, Canada's leading supplier of classroom resources. Many other businesses supported the event including; The St. Catharines Standard, A Child's World Family Child Care Services of Niagara, Meridan Credit Union, YMCA of Niagara, HiMama Inc., PenFinancial Credit Union, Minuteman Press, University of Guelph-Humber and Future Access Inc. The Honourable Jim Bradley, MPP was present and congratulated each award recipient with Lois Mahon, President of the College of Early Childhood Educator's and Darlene Edgar, Director of Children's Services with Niagara Region.



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Staff of the Early Childhood Community Development joined by Darlene Edgar, Director of Children's Services Niagara Region (Far left) and Lois Mahon President of the College of Early Childhood Educator's (far right).



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Contributor Award Category for Volunteers and Colleagues



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Practitioner Professionalism Award



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Staff of the Early Childhood Community Development Centre with Event Emcee Lori Love



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Continuous Professional Learning Award

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