

## Celebrating Niagara's early learning & child care community with a Medieval Masquerade

### The 2015 Niagara Early Learning & Child Care Awards of Excellence

# 2015 AWARD WINNERS

Niagara College Margaret Hamilton  
Graduating Student Award

Kelly O'Connor

Brock University Bachelor of Early Childhood  
Education Outstanding Student Award

Natalia Rapita

Emergent Literacy Award

Pam Koudijs

Eco-friendly Child Care Practices Award

Grapeview Daycare

Licensed Child Care Centre Administrator Award  
for Exceptional Leadership

Véronique Emery

#### Contributor Awards for Volunteers and Colleagues

Marc Bovine, La Boîte à soleil Cooperative Inc.

Heather Scott, YMCA Child Care – Glenridge

Elaine Edwards, Niagara Region Home Child Care  
Program

Lea Shivts, Niagara Region Home Child Care  
Program

Lynn Hooper, Nelephant Montessori

Kristin Smeets, Way to Grow Daycare

Julieth Hurtado Lopez, CAPC Niagara Brighter Futures

Jodi Sproule, Nelephant Montessori

Mirabella Ion, Wee Watch Home Child Care

Tammy Stanley, Wee Watch Home Child Care

Wayne Komsa, A Child's World

Tracey Steele, Wee Watch Home Child Care

Wendy Manwaring, A Child's World – Woodlawn

Jane Taylor, A Child's World – Kids World

Sue McDonald, Wee Watch Home Child Care

Carole Turcotte, Way to Grow Daycare

France Proctor, La Boîte à soleil Cooperative Inc.

Kate Vaughan, YMCA Child Care – Carleton

Roxanne Rivard, A Child's World – Niagara Community

Kristina Wycimaga, YMCA Child Care – St. John

#### Family Support Program Practitioner Award

Tammy Harris, Parenting and  
Family Literacy Centre – Peace  
Bridge Public School

Lori Pavone, Ontario Early Years  
Centre – Walker Family YMCA

Linda Rodriguez, CAPC Niagara  
Brighter Futures

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#### Commitment to Continuous Professional Learning & Community Collaboration Award

Ashley Bélanger, La Boîte à soleil – La Marsh

#### Full Day Early Learning Team Excellence Award

Amy Canning & Melissa Philip, Westdale Public School

Rachel Gignac, Jessica Lafleur, Sheila Irokoze, and Elizabeth Wood, St. Mary Catholic School

Michael Folino & Mary Schmagala, Cherrywood Acres Public School

#### QCCN Exceptional Program Award

A Child's World – Tiny Travellers

#### Early Childhood Educator Professionalism Award

Amy Cassibo & Brittany Lynds, Rosalind Blauer Centre for Child Care

Natalie Galajda, YMCA Child Care – Glendale

Jacqueline Dunlop, Fort Erie Regional Child Care Centre

Sarah Pirri, Strive Niagara - Welland Parent-Child Centre

Kristin Dunphy, Strive Niagara – Dohnberg Centre

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