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CAA Conference Highlights

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CAA Conference 2024

CAA Conference 2024 was a great success. We broke our attendance record. Thank you to all our attendees, speakers, sponsors and exhibitors for your participation. The speakers were excellent with presentations on leading issues, new research and clinical applications. Industry activities were a success.

Colleagues and students from far and wide enjoyed deep conversations, reflections and excitement about their new learning.

Please stay tuned. We will be featuring highlights from the conference and awards in the next few newsletters.

CAA Recognizes Outgoing and Incoming President

Thank you to Dr. Michael Vekasi for his outstanding leadership and diplomacy during his tenure as President of CAA. We welcome Andreas Seelisch, to his President role. We know he will continue his significant contributions to Audiology in Canada. Welcome also to Patricia Auger who has stepped into the role of President Elect. We are confident she will be a strong leader in the following year.

MICHAEL VEKASI

ANDREAS SEELISCH

PATRICIA AUGER

CAA Thanks Outgoing Members Of Our Board of Directors

The Canadian Academy of Audiology is grateful to our 3 board members who have served their 6 years on the CAA Board of Directors and are retiring this year. Their years of contributions of ideas, energy, project/committee outcomes and enthusiasm to the organization has been remarkable. We also thank you for your service and dedication to the Audiology profession.

Click images to read individual bios.

SARAH MASON
Dalhousie University

MARGARET YOUNG

Costco Wholesale Canada

STEPHEN G. LOMBER
McGill University

Welcome to the New Members of the CAA Board of Directors

The Canadian Academy of Audiology is pleased to introduce the newest members of our **Board of Directors**. Each member comes with diverse skills, specialties and professional experiences from across Canada. Their addition to the board helps maintain CAA as the strong national association for audiology in Canada.

CAA remains dedicated to enhancing the role of audiologists as primary hearing health care providers through advocacy, education and research.

Click here to meet all the members of CAA Board of Directors

PATRICIA AUGER
Sonova Canada
OTTAWA, ON

SARAH WILSON
Dalhousie University
HALIFAX, NS

REBECCA MALCOLMSON

ErinoakKids

GEORGETOWN, ON

CALVIN STAPLES
Umbrella Hearing
KITCHENER, ON

2024 CAA Award Winners

CAA President's Award

The Canadian Academy of Audiology is pleased to announce the recipient of the 2024 President's Award, **Dr. Stephen G. Lomber.** This award is given in recognition of outstanding contribution to the development of the Academy (nominated by the President of the Academy, with the unanimous consent of the Board of Directors).

While he is retiring from his formal tenure on the Board of Directors this year, Dr. Lomber has committed to remain in the role of Chair of the Science and Education Committee, demonstrating his dedication to CAA. **(Click to read full bio)**

PRESIDENT

Moneca Price Humanitarian Award

The Moneca Price Humanitarian award is presented to an audiologist in recognition of extraordinary humanitarian and community service, above and beyond the requirements of employment. The award is to honour the late Moneca Price who took on significant leadership roles in both the Canadian Academy of Audiology and the College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists of Ontario.

This year the award was given posthumously to **Brad Allard,** a dedicated Audiologist and

wonderful man. Brad’s humanitarian work with the charity 'Perry Medico' is being recognized. Brad played an integral part in the development of the Perry Medico Audiology program in a small town called Yamasa in the Dominican Republic.

Through this program the community was provided with audiology assessment and rehabilitation services. Local residents were trained to provide ongoing care. Brad volunteered his time and skills from 2010 until he passed in 2021.

The award was received on behalf of the family by Brad Allard’s step-son, Luis Eduardo Mejicano