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## A MESSAGE FROM THE 2013 COTILLION BALL PLANNING COMMITTEE

The 2013 Youth Development Program and Cotillion Ball Planning Committee is pleased to welcome you to this prestigious event. Thank you so much for coming. A lot of devotion has been poured into making this night a success and we sincerely trust that you will enjoy every minute of this exciting evening.

The youth in our society need the tools to succeed in this world and we are here to help them to achieve this goal. The 2013 Youth Development Program and Cotillion Ball's mission is to provide a forum for them to excel in their undertakings; to gain self confidence, and to become amazing and independent individuals in the ever-changing world's landscape. So, it is with this in mind that a program was devised to complement the general academic curriculum to which our youth are accustomed. The programs offered – to name a few - Dining Etiquette and Social Graces, Financial Planning, Public Speaking, Adolescent Health and Well-being, Ballroom Dancing, Taxes and Civic Duties, Canadian Black History; The Law and You – have contributed to the preparation of the participants' entry into a world of challenges with confidence and self-esteem. Supported by you, our program will continue to inspire, empower and encourage our youth to strive for success in their chosen fields. And for this we thank you.

To our Debutantes, Escorts and Junior Debutantes: to give you a competitive edge as you venture out into the world of opportunities, we ask that you apply the learning experiences gained from The 2013 Youth Development Program to your lives to help strengthen your resolve to be the best you can be in your future undertakings.

**PAY IT FORWARD BY SHARING YOUR KNOWLEDGE WITH YOUR COMMUNITY.**

*The 2013 Cotillion Ball  
Planning Committee*



PRIME MINISTER • PREMIER MINISTRE

*I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to all those attending the 2013 Youth Development Program Cotillion Ball.*

*I would like to congratulate the debutantes, escorts, and junior debutantes. You may look to the future with pride and confidence, knowing that you can achieve your goals.*

*I would also like to commend all those involved with this program. Your contributions have given the community's young people —the leaders of tomorrow— an opportunity to showcase the very best of themselves and will no doubt have lasting benefits.*

*Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable evening.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "Stephen Harper".

*The Rt. Hon. Stephen Harper, P.C., M.P.*

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2013





Premier of Ontario - Première ministre de l'Ontario

October 5, 2013

### **A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE PREMIER**

On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I am delighted to extend warm greetings to everyone attending the Youth Development Program's Cotillion Ball.

Through a range of workshops, the Youth Development Program gives young Black men and women the opportunity to broaden their horizons and to work towards achieving their full potential. Upon successful completion of the program, participants are invited to attend the Cotillion Ball, an event that does much to underscore their accomplishments — and their readiness to seize the opportunities of the future.

I congratulate the young people attending this evening's Cotillion Ball on their success in completing the program. You have every right to be proud of this achievement. I would also like to acknowledge the parents, community leaders and volunteers who have helped to make this evening of celebration possible.

Please accept my best wishes for what I am sure will be a memorable and enjoyable Cotillion Ball.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Kathleen Wynne'.

**Kathleen Wynne**  
**Premier**



# Andrea Horwath

Leader, Ontario's New Democrats

Dear Friends,

It's my pleasure to send greetings on the occasion of the 2013 Youth Development Program Cotillion Ball. Tonight's event is a well-deserved celebration for the participants, instructors, organizers and families involved with the Youth Development Program.

The pomp and pageantry of tonight's Cotillion represent more than simply a fancy dress event. Through the support of dedicated mentors and instructors, the Cotillion represents the opening of doors to new skills, new directions, new avenues of creativity and new understanding of the options and opportunities young women and men have available to them.

These exciting changes are due to the hard work of the parents and community leaders who created the Youth Development Program. Through their efforts the YDP has provided the training, mentorship and inspiration to help young Black women and men launch themselves on the next chapter of their lives.

Tonight will be an unforgettable night for the Debutantes, Escorts, Junior Debutantes, their parents and families. I congratulate you on your achievement and wish you the best for your futures.

All the best and enjoy tonight.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrea Horwath".

Andrea Horwath,  
Leader, Ontario's New Democrats

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# TIM HUDAK

ONTARIO PC LEADER



October 5, 2013

Dear friends,

It gives me great pleasure to extend my warmest wishes to everyone attending today's Cotillion Ball hosted by the Youth Development Program.

For many years, caring parents and community leaders from the Youth Development Program have held workshops with courses like leadership, time management, financial planning, civic duties and public speaking. By teaching these valuable life skills you are encouraging economic and social development along with entrepreneurship within your community.

We also share a similar vision that Ontario should always be a place where our children have better opportunities than we did. By volunteering and mentoring our youth you are continuing a great tradition of extraordinary community leadership, following in the footsteps of people like Lincoln Alexander.

On behalf of the Ontario PC caucus, I would like to thank the leadership of the Youth Development Program for their outstanding work and wish everyone attending the very best for a successful ball.

Sincerely,

Tim Hudak, MPP  
Ontario PC Leader







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TORONTO

**A Message from the Mayor**

It gives me great pleasure to extend greetings and a warm welcome to everyone attending the Cotillion Ball hosted by the Youth Development Program (YDP).

Created by caring parents and community leaders, the Youth Development Program aims to redirect the mindset of young black men and women to enhance their involvement in their communities and offer new avenues for creativity.

YDP provides workshops for young girls and young ladies and gentleman to learn topics that are not offered in conventional classrooms such as dining etiquette, leadership and time management and entrepreneurship, ballroom dancing and many more.

The city is proud of individuals and organizations that are committed to making a difference and I thank everyone at the Youth Development Program for their dedication to the well-being of our communities.

On behalf of Toronto City Council, please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable and successful event.

Yours truly,

**Mayor Rob Ford**  
City of Toronto

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William Blair  
Chief of Police

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### Message from the Chief of Police



On behalf of the Toronto Police Service, I would like to extend greetings to everyone attending The 2013 Youth Development Program and Cotillion Ball.

Young people in today's society are faced with many challenges. I firmly believe it is up to the community as a whole to provide the support and guidance that young people need to overcome these tasks.

The Youth Development Program was created by a group of caring parents and community leaders to help provide the opportunities that allow our youth to develop the skills and experience they need in order to obtain their goals and succeed in life.

I would like to commend The Youth Development Program for their outstanding work with young people. Congratulations to the Organizing Committee for creating a memorable event.

Best wishes to everyone for a safe and wonderful evening!

Sincerely,

William Blair, C.O.M.  
Chief of Police

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## SEAN MAURICETTE

### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

For over ten years, Sean Mauricette a.k.a. SUBLIMINAL - has been taking the world by storm, gifting audiences as a beat-boxer, DJ, lyricist and producer with his unique style of music, 'where hip hop meets soul.' In addition to his accomplishments in music, a.k.a. SUBLIMINAL has been making his mark as an actor. Along with current projects in the works, his notable credits include Disney's *Jump In*, starring Corbin Bleu, the Sonny Liston biopic *Phantom Punch* starring Ving Rhames, and a highly coveted feature role in an episode of CTV's police drama *The Bridge*.

As the host and keynote speaker for L.I.F.T. (Laying, Important, Foundations, Together), a.k.a. SUBLIMINAL knows that youth need encouragement to follow the right path and not be deterred by the negative stereotypes and images perpetuated by society. He was also the recipient of the 2011 Urban Hero Award for Arts & Culture for his work with high-risk youth in Toronto, and he received the 2012 Sickie Cell Miracle Network's Community Service award for Youth Leadership.

a.k.a. SUBLIMINAL was presented with the Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of the Councillors Association of Ontario and was recently awarded with the Medal of Appreciation from the United Nations Association of Canada. The gifted lyricist also recently caught the attention of the historic Southern Poverty Law Center. The esteemed civil rights organization is using Sean's poems for their alternative-learning curriculum for teachers across the United States.

A graduate from the University of Toronto's Faculty of Architecture, Sean Mauricette was the first ever recipient of the Arts and Culture Award presented to him by the Black Students Association of the University of Toronto. Working in collaboration with the YMCA and Toronto Community Housing, Sean is the head architectural designer for a one of a kind support center for young fathers located in the Toronto area.

Through performing, lecturing, mentoring and film-making, Sean Mauricette a.k.a. SUBLIMINAL continues to cement his role as an active leader in the community.



*Sean Mauricette*



## PROGRAM

<b>Master of Ceremonies</b>	Sandra Whiting
• <i>Introduction of Co-Chairs, Keynote Speaker, Hosts</i>	
<b>Welcome</b>	Pat Gloudon and Lance Wilson – on behalf of The 2013 Youth Development Program and Cotillion Ball Planning Committee
<b>Anthems – O Canada and Lift Ev'ry Voice</b>	Marley Edwards , 2012 Debutante
<b>Grace</b>	Molly Tyson, 2013 Committee Member

## DINNER AND DESSERT SERVICE

<b>Musical Interlude</b>	Andrew Forde and his band – SEF
<b>Introduction of Host and Hostess</b>	Sandra Whiting
<b>Official Greetings</b>	Anastasia De Lyon, Warren Salmon
<b>Junior Debutantes' Welcome Presentation</b>	Junior Debutantes 2013
<b>Grand March</b>	Debutantes, Escorts, Junior Debutantes 2013
<b>Official Presentation</b>	Debutantes, Escorts 2013
<b>Keynote Address</b>	Sean Mauricette
<b>Violin Duet</b>	Andrew Forde and Kaliyah Mignott-Murray
<b>Serenade</b>	Shaniecia Black-Plunkett , accompanied by: Andrew Forde and his band – SEF
<b>Dance Presentation</b>	Debutantes, Escorts 2013
<b>Sign Language Presentation</b>	Renée Mitchell
<b>Acknowledgements</b>	Anastasia De Lyon, Warren Salmon
<b>Presentation of Trophies and Certificates</b>	Sean Mauricette, Liz Valladares-Pereira
<b>Announcement of Debutante and Escort of the Year</b>	Anastasia De Lyon, Warren Salmon
<b>Final Dance</b>	Debutantes, Escorts 2013
<b>Dancing</b>	DJ Spin Doctor

## MARLEY EDWARDS

### FEATURE ARTIST


### O CANADA, LIFT EV'RY VOICE

Marley Edwards began singing at age six with the Malvern Methodist Children's Choir. She loves performing from time to time with her three brothers in a rap group called M-Brace, as the lead vocalist. She has always enjoyed singing, and is thankful to God for giving her this gift, as well as the opportunity to travel to many cities across Ontario, the US, and the Caribbean. Marley was Pickering Stars Runner-up in 2010 and Champion 2011. She has had the privilege of sharing the stage with fellow Pickering Stars and headliners such as Cardinal Official. Her soulful voice lends itself to R&B, Rap, Jazz, and, of course, Gospel. Marley, a 2012 Cotillion Ball Debutante, is presently attending George Brown College, works for Scarborough Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada, and is always honored to serve her community.



*Marley Edwards*

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## ANDREW FORDE, “THE VIOLINIST” FEATURE ARTIST



*Andrew Forde*

Andrew Forde, who goes by the stage name, “The Violinist”, was first exposed to the violin at the age of three while watching the New York Philharmonic Orchestra perform. He instantly grew a fascination for the violin and a love began to brew. His sister made him a “violin” out of paper plates, paper towel rolls and elastic bands and his parents, realizing that he was not going to grow out of his new found passion, presented him with a violin on his fourth birthday. He began lessons a few weeks later.


Andrew performed locally at schools and churches in Toronto, internationally in New York, Miami, Montreal and Barbados. Andrew has performed for hundreds of thousands of people and alongside acts such as Justin Bieber. By the time he entered high school, he had developed into a premier performer with great stage presence. He was the concert master for the Art School’s orchestra and symphony, played in Broadway productions of Crazy For You and My Favorite

Year, won various jazz competitions with his quintet and was invited to national competitions. He performed the Bach violin concerto as a guest performer in Vermont and continues to showcase his talent around Toronto and the world.

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## ANASTASIA DE LYON

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### HOST

On August 24, 2013, Anastasia De Lyon was crowned Miss Black Beauty Canada, the second winner to ever capture the crown. During her reign, her work with organizations such as the Sickle Cell Awareness Group of Ontario will be an example of the Miss Black Beauty Canada Organization's dedication to supporting and raising awareness about this disease. Anastasia will also collaborate with organizations such as Jer's Vision and The Canadian Centre for Diversity, which deal with issues related to anti-bullying, diversity and inclusivity.

Aspiring to inspire and passionate about helping people, especially youth, she is a mentor and child youth worker with I Am A Great Girl/ Guy (IMAGG), a human services agency Anastasia founded with her sister in 2011 to help people 'lead the life they love and love the life they lead.' She also donates her time volunteering for the Scarborough Youth Justice Committee, which focuses its efforts on providing a second chance for youth and their families through restorative justice.

Growing up active in sports like soccer, basketball and track and field, Anastasia described herself as a "tomboy." However, in October 2004, she and her sister, Antoinette, participated as Debutantes and graduated from the Cotillion Ball program. In 2012, younger sister Whitney followed in their footsteps. Currently a Toronto free-lance model, aspiring actress and June 2013 Honours Graduate from Centennial College's Child and Youth Worker program, Anastasia was accepted into the Child and Youth Care program at Ryerson University, planning to obtain her undergraduate and post-graduate degrees.



*Anastasia De Lyon*



## WARREN SALMON HOST



*Warren Salmon*

Warren Salmon is the Chief Executive Officer of First Fridays & Black Board International in Toronto.

After graduating from Ryerson Polytechnic University with a degree in Applied Computer Science, Warren continued his education with courses at the University of British Columbia and York University in Artificial Intelligence, Business and Economics. He started his first Software company, Softec Software Services, and was able to sign Software-related contracts with a number of large organizations such as XEROX, Citibank, Apple Computer, IBM and the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto.

In 1990, Warren founded Black Board International ([www.ashaware.com](http://www.ashaware.com)), an online service and software company, in order to provide a variety of technology-based products and services with content aimed at people of African descent. Black Board currently has twelve

software programs that are used in the school and home markets throughout North America and other parts of the world.

In 1994, he started a monthly business and community networking event called First Fridays in Toronto, which expanded to Montreal in 2008, and Calgary in 2010. The event provides networking opportunities and regularly features a variety of businesses, organizations, professionals, politicians and artists. First Fridays Toronto is one of over 30 First Fridays that occur on the first Friday of every month throughout North America in cities like Chicago, Los Angeles, Washington D.C., and New York, to name a few.

Warren is the recipient of many honours, including Men of Excellence Award for Business; Bob Marley Award for Business; Visions of Science; Keepers of the Knowledge Flame Award; Seed of Life Philanthropic Organization Community Award of Excellence; BBPA Harry Jerome Award for Technology and Innovation (2008) and African-Canadian Achievement Award for Business (2010).



## MENU

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Freshly-baked assorted Grain Rolls and  
Flatbreads with Sweet Butter

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Pumpkin Soup with Light Cumin and  
Cinnamon Cream Topping

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Fresh Mixed Greens with Iceberg Lettuce  
and Balsamic Vinaigrette

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Duo of 3-oz seared Salmon with Lemon and Dill  
with 5-oz Grilled Breast of Chicken brushed with Jerk  
and Chili seasoning topped with fresh chopped Thyme

Light Rice Pilaf

Served with Medley of Vegetables  
(Broccoli, Carrots and Turnip Root)

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Vegetarian Option

Ratatouille-stuffed Bell Pepper topped with a  
Three-Cheese blend and draped with a Home-style  
Tomato Sauce (cheese optional)

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Mango Charlotte with Berries

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Freshly-brewed Regular and Decaffeinated Coffee  
and selection of Premium Teas

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Children's Meal

(12 years and under)

Veggies and dip

Chicken Fingers and Fries

Dessert





DEBUTANTES, ESCORTS



JUNIOR DEBUTANTES

## DEBUTANTES



*Alexandria Shereen  
Batchelor*

### ALEXANDRIA SHEREEN BATCHELOR

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Susan Batchelor and Phillip Buchanan  
**SCHOOL** Earl Haig Secondary School  
**HOBBIES** Dance, music, sports, video games, books  
**CAREER GOALS** To be an entertainment lawyer with my own company  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*I am a very fun-loving, outgoing and energetic person. I have a very unique personality which includes a creative way of thinking. For example, instead of doing typical teen activities on the weekends, I spend my time doing arts and planning my future. During my free time, I like to explore the city of Toronto with friends. As I have a passion for music, I occasionally make my own remix of popular songs from the oldies and record them with friends. Overall, I would say I am a vibrant person who strives to live life to its fullest potential. XOXO!*

### SHANIECIA OMIRA MICHEALAH BLACK-PLUNKETT

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Omar Black and Tamarra Plunkett  
**SCHOOL** Wilfred Laurier Collegiate Institute  
**HOBBIES** Singing, dancing, writing, dressing up, basketball  
**CAREER GOALS** To be a therapist, family lawyer, or esthetician  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*Participating in this program has taught me a lot. It has made me realize that there are so many career opportunities in this world for young people. My goal is to go to Yale University and graduate. My biggest dream is to become a professional singer. I have set myself three goals to fall back on so hopefully they will work out. I am looking forward to my future.*



*Shaniecia Omira Michealah  
Black-Plunkett*



*Denisha Nicole Brand*

### DENISHA NICOLE BRAND

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Gelta Richardson and Greg Smith  
**SCHOOL** Centennial College  
**HOBBIES** Film, photography  
**CAREER GOALS** To become a movie producer  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*When I look at the "Little Sisters" ("Junior Debutantes") I remember myself ten years ago. The first time I took part in the Cotillion Ball was when I was eight years old. I'm very shy, but after a few months of practising, the big day finally came and I loved it. I remember looking at the Debutantes and wanting to be in their position one day. Now I am 18 and that day has finally arrived. I am enjoying this program a lot more now that I am older. The workshops are very interesting and the dancing is fun. I would not hesitate to spread the word about this wonderful program. I am confident that the lessons I have learned will help me to achieve my aspiration to become a successful movie producer.*





*Aiisha Shayana  
Dyer-Fletcher*

## AIISHA SHAYANA DYER-FLETCHER

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Khandi Dyer and Richard Fletcher  
**SCHOOL** Father Mike McGivney  
**HOBBIES** Art, photography  
**CAREER GOALS** To work in broadcasting and film  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*Your character is far more important than your past or your future; it's who you are that matters, not what you've done or will do.*

## TIAUNA VINETTE SUSAN GORDON

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Tierra Sedgemore  
**SCHOOL** West Hill Collegiate Institute  
**HOBBIES** Basketball, soccer, drawing  
**CAREER GOALS** To go to university to become a dentist  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*When I was eight years old I participated in the Cotillion Ball as a Little Sister. Now I am 15 and will be part of the Cotillion Ball as a Debutante. I have enjoyed coming to each workshop. This Youth Development Program has been very informative and a great experience for me. I look forward to the Cotillion Ball.*



*Tiauna Vinette Susan Gordon*

## SHUDEEN HALLIMAN

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Aldene Holness  
**SCHOOL** Blessed Pope John Paul II  
**HOBBIES** Rugby and movies  
**CAREER GOALS** To be a radiation therapist  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*I am currently attending high school, and my future aspirations include attending my dream school – McMaster University – to achieve my ultimate goal of becoming a radiation therapist. I joined this program to gain important life skills such as public speaking and networking. The skills I have learned here will help me immensely in life and work.*



*Shudeen Halliman*



*Tiana Knight*

## TIANA KNIGHT

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Tanya and Christopher Knight  
**SCHOOL** York University  
**HOBBIES** Swimming, reading, soccer, travelling  
**CAREER GOALS** To be a lawyer or teacher  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*Throughout the 2013 Youth Development Program, I have learned about entrepreneurship and Black history and more. This program has allowed me to gain knowledge about many different things and there is no doubt that I will be able to apply so much from these to my future undertakings. My knowledge has grown tremendously.*

## RENÉE LISA MITCHELL

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Lisa and Rawne Mitchell  
**SCHOOL** Kingsway College  
**HOBBIES** Learning sign language, playing the flute, reading, writing, skiing, swimming  
**CAREER GOALS** To be a paediatric neurosurgeon, and/or do brain and spinal cord research  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*I would like to thank all the co-ordinators, developers and mentors of The 2013 Youth Development Program for making it educational, memorable and fun. I would also like to thank the two most influential people in my life – my parents, Lisa and Rawne. I enjoy public speaking, travelling and learning new things. I am a Principal's List Student in grade 12 with a current overall average of 90%. In the future, I wish to work and gain experience at the renowned St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, U.S.A.*



*Renée Lisa Mitchell*

## JADE FIKILE MKHONZA

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Patience McCabe  
**SCHOOL** J. Clarke Richardson  
**HOBBIES** Reading, fashion, travelling  
**CAREER GOALS** To be an image consultant and to travel the world  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*Being in this Youth Development Program has helped me learn a lot. I learned something new all the time and I am eager to come to these workshops and listen to inspiring Black men and women speak about their lives. These workshops are motivational: they show you that you can truly be whatever you want to be in life - as long as you try.*



*Jade Fikile Mkhonza*







*Shayeal Shanika Tandi  
Phelemba*

## SHAYEAL SHANIKA TANDI PHELEMBBA

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Constance Phelemba  
**SCHOOL** George Brown – St. James  
**HOBBIES** Sketching, reading, playing the piano, travelling  
**CAREER GOALS** To open my own marketing firm  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*My life so far has been a journey with challenges. Sometimes I felt like giving up, but deep down inside of me there was a conscious need to find out more about life. My ambition to keep working hard has left great impressions on those I've worked with and continue to do so. My last comment is that I can achieve anything as long as I work hard and keep myself on the right path. I can do it!!*

## EMMA LAURA RODNEY

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Sandra and Martin Rodney  
**SCHOOL** Sinclair Secondary School  
**HOBBIES** Making jewellery, singing, helping at my church with the children's ministry  
**CAREER GOALS** To be a paediatrician  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*I have really enjoyed my experience here and have loved all of the workshops. I love to help with the kids in the nursery at my church, and have enjoyed watching them grow from babies into school-age children. My mom has influenced everything I have done and has brought forth so many opportunities for me throughout the years. She has also motivated and encouraged me to be the best I can be. My dad and mom have also provided me with everything I have needed. I try hard to be a role model for my younger sisters, but they often become role models for me with their confidence and ability to try new thing and never give up. Overall, I have a really great support system, and I am truly blessed.*



*Emma Laura Rodney*

## ESCORTS



*Andrau Leslie Black*

### ANDRAU LESLIE BLACK

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Dorothy Bambury-Black  
**SCHOOL** Albert Campbell Collegiate Institute  
**HOBBIES** Writing, listening to music  
**CAREER GOALS** To be a professional athlete  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*I am very happy to be a part of this program. I hope all the parents and supporters will enjoy the dance numbers.*

### MODOU CEESAY

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Awa and Pateh Ceesay  
**SCHOOL** Oakwood Collegiate  
**HOBBIES** Basketball (Elite)  
**CAREER GOALS** To be a professional basketball player  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*I grew up in Canada but my background is Senegalese. My parents are from Gambia. My favourite sport is basketball. I have been playing for my whole life.*



*Modou Ceesay*

### SHAMAL COLMAN

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Charmaine Fogo  
**SCHOOL** Sir William Osler  
**HOBBIES** Art  
**CAREER GOALS** To be an auto mechanic  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*I would like to have a good life in the future.*



*Shamal Colman*







*Jevon Michael Davis*

## JEVON MICHAEL DAVIS

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Jennifer Thompson  
**SCHOOL** Centennial College  
**HOBBIES** Basketball  
**CAREER GOALS** To be an accountant  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*The Cotillion Ball is a great place to interact with others. I have learned many important skills that I can take and apply to my daily life. The skills I have learned and the people I have met have helped me to get ready for the real world.*

## ARMANDO DRUMMOND

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Merica Drummond  
**SCHOOL** Blessed Pope John Paul II  
**CAREER GOALS** To be an actor  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*My time spent here has just made me elegant. Showing that I can accomplish being a gentleman makes me feel that I can walk down this lane even more. I thank everyone for the opportunity to be here and meet these lovely ladies and these gentlemen.*



*Armando Drummond*

## JOHMORE MALIK GRANT

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Johanna Grant  
**SCHOOL** Phillip Pocock Secondary School  
**HOBBIES** Video games and basketball  
**CAREER GOALS** To become a scientist  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*My life has had its ups and downs, but I have always been happy. My life's goal is to become a professional basketball player. So far I have won an Ontario provincial medal. I enjoy playing NBA 2K and Call of Duty. In the future, when I achieve success, I am going to help and give back to the community. My dream is to attend Duke University.*



*Johmore Malik Grant*

## MICHAEL JOHNATHON CORBETTE

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Hermia and Tony Jno Baptiste  
**SCHOOL** All Saints  
**HOBBIES** Basketball, drawing, reading books on how to improve my future  
**CAREER GOALS** To be a chiropractor with my own practice  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*I was MVP of my basketball team in elementary school, but when I got to high school I did not make the junior basketball team in my first year. That did not stop me from doing something I love, so when I was in grade ten, I made it and ended up being an MVP. I believe that my impact on anything I do is only as strong as my commitment and imagination.*



*Michael Johnathon Corbette*

## ELIJAH DEAN MANNING

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Debby Ennis  
**SCHOOL** Harbord Collegiate Institute  
**HOBBIES** Basketball, fixing things  
**CAREER GOALS** To be an engineer or scientist  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*This program is really good and fun, and I am confident that what I have learned will help me in my future undertakings.*



*Elijah Dean Manning*

## RAFEEL BASIL MOSEA MANNING

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Debby Ennis  
**SCHOOL** Humberside Collegiate Institute  
**HOBBIES** Working with children, sports  
**CAREER GOALS** To be a social worker or business manager  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*On the highway to the future, it will be experiences such as these that will make me the great man of tomorrow. Thank you to all those who have contributed to my success.*



*Rafeel Basil Mosea Manning*



## PERCIVAL ANTHONY SCOTT

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Elizabeth Robinson  
**SCHOOL** A.S.E. 1  
**HOBBIES** Playing soccer  
**CAREER GOALS** To become a police officer  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*I grew up in Jamaica and the experiences that I have had made me decide to become an influential community leader and future police officer who will make a difference in the community and bring people of different races, cultures and religions together to make the growing society more acceptable to the people in it.*



*Percival Anthony Scott*



*Tyler Anthony South*

## TYLER ANTHONY SOUTH

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Denise and Donovan South  
**SCHOOL** Durham College  
**HOBBIES** Working out  
**CAREER GOALS** To be a fitness model  
**PERSONAL COMMENTS**

*I would like to establish myself in the fitness industry as a top trainer. After establishing myself, my goal is to inspire others to live a healthy lifestyle. The world's population should be aware of the benefits of fitness and I am trying to educate them.*

## JUNIOR DEBUTANTES



### DEJA SOPHIA BEDWARD-WILSON

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Chantel Bedward and Lascelles Wilson

*Deja enjoys dancing and participates in Ballet and Hip Hop. Deja also enjoys player soccer and has played on a championship soccer team. She reads a lot and loves playing games on her computer - she has scored level 34 on "Candy Crush"*



### CHASSADY CARRINGTON-CARTER

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Kerrylyn and Deanray Carter

*Chassady enjoys playing soccer and swimming. Chassady loves the singer Rihanna.*



### CALYSE FAIRCLOUGH

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Jillian and Craig Fairclough

*Calyse plays rep soccer for the Pickering Soccer Club. She loves speaking French. Calyse enjoys swimming. She has won numerous awards at school with the latest being the Most Conscientious Student Award. Calyse is a music lover.*



### JASMINE RENEE GRANT-CAMPBELL

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Tracy Grant and Kirk Campbell

*Jasmine LOVED going to the Bahamas with Mommy and Aunt Michelle this summer. Jasmine is a dancer with The Dance Corp in Mississauga and has been dancing since the age of 2 in Jazz, Ballet, Tap, Acro and Hip Hop. Her favorite is hip hop. Jasmine also plays the violin.*



### SHYANN JOHNSON

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Chamaikha Johnson

*This summer Shyann spent two months in Jamaica meeting family for the first time. Shyann enjoys playing the piano and successfully played her first piece (The Little Mermaid) in her recital. She is now going to be entering a piano competition.*



### ALEXIAH JOHNSON-VALLADARES

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Daisah Johnson and Quinn Valladares

*This summer Alexiah spent two months in Jamaica meeting family for the first time. Alexiah was voted Player of the Game for the winning soccer team she played on this summer. Today Alexiah celebrates her 7th birthday by participating in the Cotillion Ball.*





## LAILAH ZANALE JULIEN

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Constance Gyimah

*Lailah attends the Afrocentric Alternative School. She enjoys music and dancing, especially ballet. This summer Lailah explored the Toronto Zoo for the first time.*



## NYASIA-NOELLE MACAULAY

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Ronke Macaulay and Prince Comrie

*Nyasia-Noelle Macaulay is a bright young girl who has started her journey towards bilingualism early as she is in the second grade in the French Immersion program in her school. Nyasia is a Three time Celebrates Award winner at her school, receiving an award for Fortitude, Service and Independent Worker. Nyasia also understands the importance of a healthy lifestyle as she actively participates in soccer and gymnastics all year round.*



## KALIYAH HYACINTH MIGNOTT-MURRAY

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Kimya Mignott

*Kaliyah is a 9 year old student at Morrish Public School. She likes fashion and has her own unique style. Her hobbies are playing the violin, swimming and dancing. Last summer she spent 2 weeks connecting with family and enjoying the beach of Negril.*



## MALIKEYA WHITE-GRAY

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Sophia Gray and Patrick White

*Malikeya is a dancer. She enjoys dancing hip hop and jazz. Her favourite sport is basketball. In school her favourite subjects are Drama, Dance and Math. Her favourite singer is Sierra and her favourite boy band is R5.*



## A. WHITNEY

**PARENTS/GUARDIAN** Patsy Mignott

*A. Whitney is delighted to have celebrated her 6th birthday during the month of September. A. Whitney is very curious because she loves to gather information. This character trait allows her to speak freely on a variety of topics. She enjoys arts and crafts.*



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### WORKSHOP LEADER, DANCE EDUCATOR AND CHOREOGRAPHER

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A former dancer with the Guyana National Dance Company and the National Dance Theatre Company of Jamaica, Andrea is the Artistic Director of the Children and Youth Dance Theatre of Toronto, a community based Dance Academy for underserved children. She is currently an Administrator with TDSB and an avid advocate for Arts in Education and Integrated Arts as a Differentiated Instruction process. Andrea was the resident choreographer of the Applause Institute Cotillion Ball, and continues as resident choreographer with the Youth Development Program and Cotillion Ball. She has facilitated Lecture demonstrations, presentations and Dance workshop at local and international Conferences and Dance Summits. Andrea is the proud recipient of the 2013 Harry Jerome Award of Excellence in the Arts.



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### WORKSHOPS AND LEADERS

WORKSHOPS	LEADERS	BIOGRAPHIES
Public Speaking	Ms. Claire Wilson	Ms. Wilson is a member of the Toastmasters Club. She frequently leads public speaking workshops for youth
Financial Planning	Urban Financial Services Coalition	A group of dedicated professionals from the financial sector who volunteer their financial advice to youth in the community.
Canadian Black History	Mr. Jojo Chintoh	Mr. Chintoh is a Canadian television journalist who worked for CityTV until 2010
Entrepreneurship	Mr. O'Neil McLean	Mr. McLean has over ten years experience in the media industry, management, communications, sales and marketing.
The Law and You	Mr. Chris Bullen	Mr. Bullen is a Police Officer and member of the Association of Black Law Enforcers (ABLE).
Leadership and Time Management	Mr. Charmaine Mills	Ms. Mills is an expert Image Consultant, Life-style Coach and Motivational Speaker
Civic Duties	Ms. Yvette Blackburn	Ms. Blackburn is an educator, community supporter and political activist.
Adolescent Health and Well-being	Ms. Tanya Knight	Ms. Knight is a Nursing Administrator and is also a Clinical Instructor at York University.
Dining Etiquette and Social Graces	Ms. Joanna Parris	Ms. Parris is a certified expert in Image, Etiquette and Lifestyle Management.
Dance	Ms. Andrea Douglas	Ms. Douglas is the Artistic Director of the Children and Youth Dance Theatre of Toronto, and a Vice-Principal with the Toronto District School Board



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## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2012 COTILLION BALL









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## **The 2014 Youth Development Program**

and

## **Cotillion Ball**

### **Fundraising Brunch Sunday, April 27th, 2014**

#### **EVENT PROGRAM**

Welcome by the Program Co-Chairs - Pat Gloudon and Lance Wilson

Introduction - Master of Ceremonies

National Anthem

Grace

#### **SERVING OF BRUNCH**

Testimonials - Debutantes and Escorts

Ballad

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Door Prizes – M.C.

Instrumental Interlude

Performance

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Fashion Show

#### **SERVING OF DESSERT**

Introduction of the Program Committee

Door Prizes, Birthday Prize - M.C.

Closing Remarks

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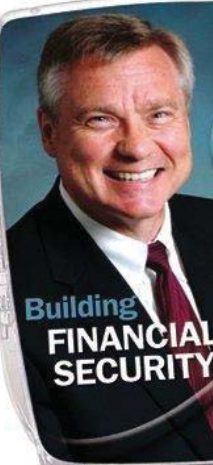


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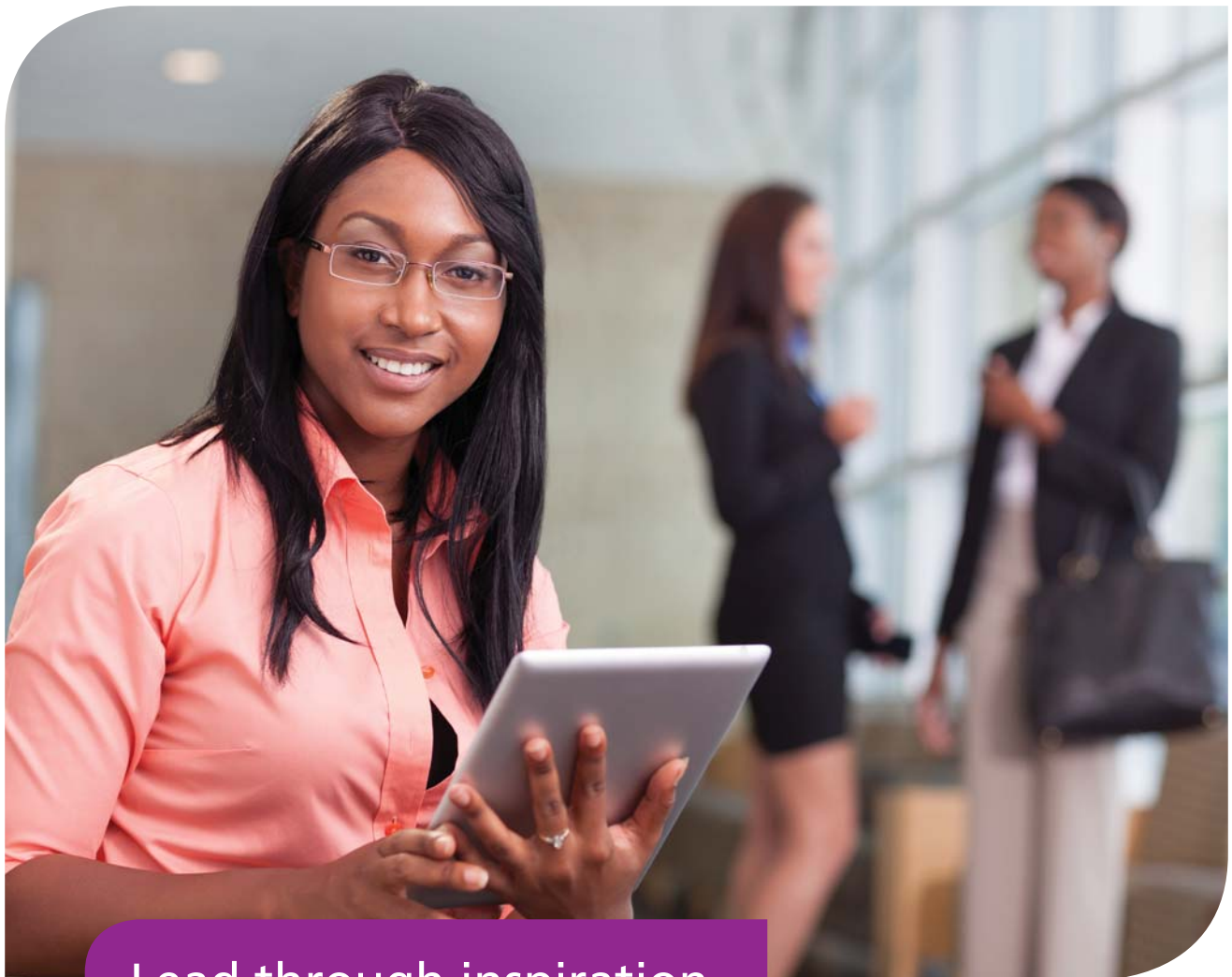
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