



ONTARIO BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

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# HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2025  
DURHAM COLLEGE





## INDUCTION CEREMONY

DEAR INDUCTEES, HONoured GUESTS, FRIENDS, FAMILY  
AND MEMBERS OF THE BASKETBALL COMMUNITY

*On behalf of the Ontario Basketball Association, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony. This evening is a celebration, not just of the achievements, but of passion, dedication and the enduring spirit of basketball in our province.*

*These trailblazers set out to break barriers, define new rules and showcase on a Provincial and National scale what true resilience looks like- they dared, they dreamed, and they produced. They had a vision, and they executed it. Whether it was storytelling on a global scale, or competing with the best, or perhaps they believed in a child who did not see it within themselves to uplift them and show them how to navigate this basketball world.*

*Each of our inductees have left a lasting mark on the game, whether on the court, behind the scenes or through the airwaves. Their contributions have elevated basketball in Ontario and inspired generations to come. Tonight, we honour their journeys, their impact and the legacy they continue to build.*

*Our Hall of Fame exists to preserve the rich history of basketball in Ontario, and tonight's celebration is a powerful reminder of why that mission matters.*

*Thank you to all of our inductees for everything you have given to the game.*

*Thank you also to our board members, OBA staff and our basketball community who have made tonight possible. We are stronger because of your belief in our vision and dedication to our sport.*

*"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together". - African Proverb*

RYAN XAVIER

President, Ontario Basketball Association





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# PROGRAM

OPENING REMARKS & WELCOME 7:30 PM

*Ryan Xavier, President, Ontario Basketball*

HALL OF FAME CEREMONY INTRODUCTION 7:40PM

*Emcee introduces the evening and presentation format*

HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CEREMONY 7:45PM

*Each inductee receives approximately 5 minutes total for:*

*Presenter introduction*

*Acceptance speech*

*On-stage photo*

*2020 Induction Class - Media*

*2022 Induction Class - Builders (Coaches, officials, contributors)*

*2024 Induction Class - Players & Industry Leaders*

SPECIAL PRESENTATION AND MESSAGE 8:40 PM

*Special message and presentation of the*

*King Charles Coronation Medal*

CLOSING REMARKS & FAREWELL 9:00 PM

*Closing thanks and acknowledgments*





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## DANIEL GLADMAN

Dan Gladman is a veteran basketball broadcast producer best known for producing all Toronto Raptors games from 2009 to 2019, including the 2019 NBA Finals and multiple playoff runs. He began his career with Raptors TV in 2001 and was a panelist on NBA TV Canada's *The Hangout* for six seasons.

Gladman has also produced national TV coverage for the Canadian Elite Basketball League, Olympic basketball for CBC, and the 2015 Pan Am Games gold medal game. He holds a journalism degree from Toronto Metropolitan University and played high school basketball at Crescent School.

## MICHAEL GRANGE

Michael Grange is a senior basketball analyst with Sportsnet, where he has worked since 2011 as a columnist for Sportsnet.ca, contributor to Sportsnet Magazine, and regular presence on Sportsnet Central and Sportsnet 590 The FAN. He has been part of the Raptors broadcast team since 2013 and wrote his first story on the Toronto Raptors during their inaugural 1995 season and has been covering Canadian basketball ever since.

Born in Montreal and raised in Toronto, he studied at Mount Allison University and earned a Master's in Journalism from Western University. He spent 16 years at The Globe and Mail, reporting on Super Bowls, Olympics, and the rise of Vince Carter and Steve Nash. His coverage has spanned legends like Michael Jordan to current stars like Shai Gilgeous-Alexander.

He has authored six books, including two bestsellers, and was named Canada's Sportswriter of the Year in 2020.







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## JACK ARMSTRONG

*Jack Armstrong is entering his 28th season as a Toronto Raptors analyst on TSN, following a 14-year college coaching career. He's also covered NCAA Tournaments, NBA Finals, and NBA Draft on TSN, and has worked with CBS Sports, ESPN, and MSG.*

*A three-time Canadian Screen Award winner and Emmy nominee, Armstrong was the first basketball analyst to win the CSA honour.*

*As head coach at Niagara University, he earned 100 wins, led the team to the 1992-93 NIT, and was named MAAC Coach of the Year, with a 100% player graduation rate.*

## PAUL JONES

*Paul Jones has been a key voice in Canadian basketball broadcasting since 1995, when he joined the Toronto Raptors' inaugural radio crew. He's held roles as analyst, sideline reporter, and play-by-play announcer across TSN, CTV, and Sportsnet. He currently co-hosts Smith & Jones, a weekly NBA radio show. Jones has covered major international events including the 1992 and 2012 Olympics, the 1994 World Championship, and 2022 FIBA World Cup qualifiers. A former player, he was a two-time all-star at York University and represented Canada internationally.*

*He also coached at the high school, provincial, and university levels, earning national medals with Team Ontario and serving as an assistant coach at the University of Western Ontario. Jones holds an Honours Bachelor of Science from York University, a Bachelor of Education, and a Master of Arts in Sports Psychology from the University of Western Ontario.*







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### CARLOS SOUSA

Carlos Sousa is a respected leader and trailblazer in youth basketball across York Region. Nearly 30 years ago, he began as a supportive parent, enrolling his son in MUMBA (Markham Union Minor Basketball Association). Encouraged by the MUMBA Executive team, Carlos helped shape the future of youth basketball in the region.

As an advocate, he championed basketball in a community dominated by hockey and soccer, introducing innovative programs and events that engaged athletes, leaders, and families alike.

From mentoring coaches to empowering youth athletes, Carlos has built a stronger, more united basketball community. What started nearly three decades ago in the “dungeons” of Markham District High School has grown into a thriving movement. Today, his vision continues to guide basketball leaders, coaches, and youth athletes in MUMBA and beyond.



### WALLIE LANDICHO

Jose Walfrido “Wallie” Encarnacion Landicho (1944–2023), affectionately known as “Tito Wallie,” was a pioneer of Filipino youth basketball in Toronto and a beloved community leader. Born in Manila, he brought his lifelong passion for basketball to Canada, co-founding influential leagues such as Fil-Can and FNAHC, and playing well into his fifties.

In 1991, he became a dedicated referee and later served as treasurer and life member of TABO, where his leadership had a lasting impact. Wallie was also known for his community-building efforts and philanthropy, helping to shape a stronger Filipino-Canadian basketball community and inspiring generations of young athletes.







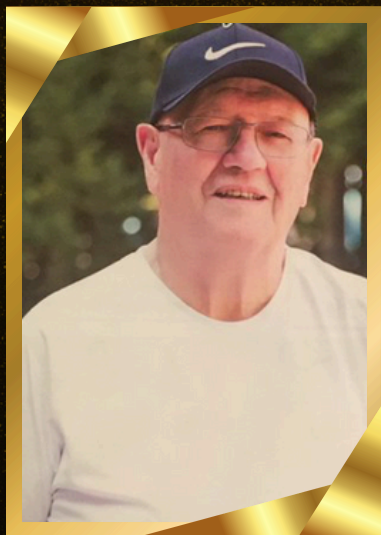
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### JOHN PETRUSHCHAK

John Petrushchak was a beloved teacher and high school basketball coach in Toronto from 1965 to 2005. Best known for his success at Runnymede Collegiate and George Harvey, he built one of Toronto's first true basketball dynasties, winning 4 OFSAA gold, 5 silver, and 2 bronze medals in a 25-year span.

Though he excelled in many sports, basketball and coaching were his true calling. Many of his players went on to represent provincial and national teams, earning scholarships to schools in Canada and the United States.

More than a coach, "Coach P" was a mentor and father figure. He passed away in 2022 at age 83, but his legacy lives on, now honoured with induction into the Ontario Basketball Hall of Fame



### JASON JANSSON

Jason Jansson is a licensed insurance broker and Vice President of Commercial Insurance at Arthur J. Gallagher, a global leader in insurance and risk management. He is also the former Executive Director of the Ontario Basketball Association, where he served in progressive leadership roles over 17 years, guiding the organization through significant growth in grassroots and provincial basketball.

Jason holds a Bachelor's degree in Sport Management from Brock University and brings over 20 years of expertise in strategic planning, finance, HR, governance, marketing, and stakeholder engagement.







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## TAMMY SUTTON-BROWN

Tammy Sutton-Brown is a Canadian Basketball Hall of Fame inductee and a trailblazer in Canadian basketball. A former WNBA All-Star and champion, she played 12 seasons in the league with the Charlotte Sting and Indiana Fever, and spent over 11 seasons competing internationally.

Since retiring, Sutton-Brown has emerged as a leader in sport business, currently working at Nike in athlete sports marketing. She also held a leadership role in basketball operations with Raptors 905, the NBA G League affiliate of the Toronto Raptors. Her lasting influence, both on and off the court, continues to shape the future of Canadian basketball.

## JAMAAL MAGLOIRE

Jamaal Magloire is a former NBA All-Star and one of Canada's most influential basketball figures. A Scarborough native and NCAA champion with the University of Kentucky, he played 12 seasons in the NBA, including a historic stint as the first Canadian to play for the Toronto Raptors.

After retiring, Magloire transitioned into coaching and player development. He currently served as an Assistant Coach and Community Ambassador with the Raptors, helping lead the team to its 2019 NBA Championship. He is also Vice President and Senior Advisor to the Scarborough Shooting Stars (CEBL) and President of both the Jamaal Magloire Foundation and Toronto Revellers Cultural Association, which support youth development and celebrate Caribbean culture.

A true ambassador for the game, Magloire's legacy continues to inspire the next generation of Canadian talent.







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# LEAH MACNAB

*Leah MacNab is the Head of International Strategy & Operations at the National Basketball Association, where she leads global growth initiatives, designing operational strategies to maximize revenue, deepen fan engagement, and support the expansion of new leagues.*

*Previously, she served as Managing Director of NBA Canada, driving significant growth across revenue, partnerships, and fan engagement. She led key initiatives including the WNBA Canada Game in Toronto (2023), which set a league pre-season attendance record with 19,923 fans, and the NBA's first campaign celebrating Canadian players.*

*MacNab serves on the Canada Basketball Board and advises the Future of Sport Lab.*

*She is a recipient of the Canadian Sport Business "5 to Watch" Award (2018) and the Nathalie Cook Canadian Women & Sport Disruptor Award (2023) for her leadership in advancing gender equity in sport.*







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