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JA'S BUSINESS LAUREATES OF BC HALL OF FAME RECOGNIZES THREE INDUSTRY-SHAPERS WHO BEGAN IN THE TRENCHES

Vancouver, British Columbia – Junior Achievement of British Columbia (JABC) announces three business leaders to be inducted into the 2012 Business Laureates of BC Hall of Fame: Brian A. Canfield, Dave Ritchie and Milton K. Wong. The new members will be formally inducted into the Hall of Fame at the seventh Annual Gala Dinner and Induction Ceremonies on May 24, 2012 at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver.

The nomination process was guided by the executive recruitment firm Pinton Forrest & Madden, the Laureate sponsor. Prerequisites for induction include outstanding business achievements, enduring contributions to the province and country, as well as deep commitments to diverse and niche communities. These 2012 inductees have been chosen for their ability to direct their business education from the depths of their personal drive to sky-high global heights, while simultaneously developing industry backbone for BC.

A lifetime of experience at BC's now-largest corporation, from installing the equipment to chairing the board:
Brian A. Canfield, C.M., O.B.C., D.Tech. (Hon) -- Chair, TELUS Corporation

Out of the conundrums of a small family business rose a billion-dollar, world-wide industry innovator:
Dave Ritchie -- Co-founder and Chairman Emeritus, Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers

A global influencer and cultivator of integrated culture, community and social assets, from a simple stock start:
Milton K. Wong, C.M., O.B.C.—Chairman Emeritus, HSBC Global Asset Management (Canada) Ltd

"Founded by incredible pioneers and furthered by outstanding leaders, BC is rich in individuals who have created platforms and pathways for continued business success and community leadership: something in which our future business leaders can be truly inspired and continue to build upon", said Terry Lyons, Business Laureates of BC Hall of Fame Co-Chair.

Final Laureate selection was made by an independent committee consisting of three Laureates: David Black, MBA (President & Owner, Black Press Ltd.), Henry H. Ketchum III, Chairman, President and CEO, West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd. and Robert (Bob) H. Lee, C.M., O.B.C., B.Comm., LL.D. (Founder & Chairman, Prospero International Realty Inc.), and two non-Laureate participants: Nancy McKinstry, C.M., LL.D. (Chair, ICBC) and Lawrence Sauder (Chairman, Sauder Industries Ltd.).

Co-presented by Scotiabank Group and Fasken Martineau, the following May's gala evening will include an elegant reception, a keynote speaker who will be unveiled closer to the event, and commemorative videos produced by Oh Boy Productions.

Proceeds from the gala ensure JABC builds upon being an influential, impactful leader in delivering business education, financial literacy and work-readiness programs to youth throughout BC.

ABOUT THE BUSINESS LAUREATES OF BC HALL OF FAME

The Business Laureates of BC Hall of Fame is an initiative created by JABC to honour BC business leaders who have made outstanding contributions to our province and country. Founded in 2006, the Hall of Fame stands as a testament to the positive legacy Laureates provide to our enterprising youth. "They Built. We Benefit." These words represent the foundation of the Hall of Fame. While they may have succeeded in different industries, different times in our history and different parts of this province, the Laureates all exemplify vision, leadership, and integrity. Their careers are legendary. In 2009, JABC unveiled a permanent site for the Hall of Fame at the Vancouver Convention Centre. Through this new landmark, people from all parts of the province will share a feeling of pride for these remarkable BC business leaders.

ABOUT JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

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2012 Business Laureates of British Columbia Hall of Fame Inductee

Brian A. Canfield, C.M., O.B.C., D.Tech. (Hon)
Chair, TELUS Corporation



Brian Canfield presently serves as the Chair of the Board of TELUS Corporation. His distinguished career in the Canadian telecom industry, which began as an apprentice switchboard installer in 1956, spans 55 years of service to TELUS and to its predecessor, BC TEL.

Through more than half a century of service at BC TEL and TELUS, Brian Canfield has helped to construct the platform upon which TELUS stands as a global telecommunications leader. He joined BC TEL in 1956 and, in the early part of his career, held key positions in Network Services, Engineering, Operator Services and Sales and Operations. Mr. Canfield became President and CEO of BC TEL in 1990 and was appointed to Chairman of BC TEL in 1993. He retired as CEO in 1997 and continued to serve as Chairman for BC TEL and was named Chairman of the Board, TELUS Corporation, in 1999. Additionally, he spent almost a year as interim Chief Executive Officer of TELUS between September 1999 and July 2000 while they conducted a global search for a new CEO.

Mr. Canfield has also been a great champion of British Columbia and a community leader. He was the Past President of the BC Summer Games, Chairman, Council of Governors of Leadership Vancouver, Chair of the Business Council of British Columbia and a champion for Vancouver's Science World development. His contributions, both personally and in the business community, are immeasurable and are a testament to his honourable character and integrity.



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Dave Ritchie
Co-Founder & Chairman Emeritus, Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers



Loyalty and integrity are two traits synonymous with Mr. Dave Ritchie. Right from the start of his childhood in Kelowna, BC his steadfast ethics instilled the characteristics that would propel him through an amazing career and lead him to the position as one of BC's top leaders in business. From the first auction Mr. Ritchie and his brothers would conduct to save the family business, O.K. Used Furniture Store, he was viewed as a visionary and a man of fair play in the business world.

The success of the first auction in 1958 helped Mr. Ritchie and his brothers recognize an opportunity that would soon revolutionize the way in which auctions were conducted through unreserved auctions. This was the beginnings of the company now known as Ritchie Bros. Auctioneers. Although this was originally an endeavour he embarked upon with his brothers, Dave Ritchie ultimately became the driving force behind the remarkable organization that has evolved from a basic operation to a multibillion dollar worldwide enterprise and world's largest industrial auctioneer. Despite its incredible expansion, the fundamentals have remained the same equal opportunity and honesty whether dealing internally or externally.

Mr. Ritchie leads by example from the way in which he treats his employees to the individual tailored service to each customer. This has been recognized through his numerous awards including the Distinguished Entrepreneur of the Year from the University of Victoria, School of Business as well as the International Horatio Alger Award. Dave Ritchie remains one of the few Canadians ever to receive the latter award which honours the achievements of exceptional individuals who have succeeded in spite of adversity. He perpetuates these ideals through his involvement and commitment to cancer research; salmon enhancement and many other worthwhile causes.

Mr. Dave Ritchie is an inspiring individual who has risen to leadership through great vision, integrity and dedication while simultaneously facilitating others to achieve greatness alongside him.



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Milton K. Wong, C.M., O.B.C., LL.D. (Hon)
Chairman Emeritus, HSBC Global Asset Management (Canada) Limited



Mr. Milton Wong is an incredible visionary that seeks out the impossible to make it possible. He has a deeply rooted sense of social values and team player attitude in everything he does. He recognizes that these steadfast, all-encompassing attitudes transcend every aspect of his life and have been a catalyst in positioning him as one of British Columbia's outstanding leaders in business, pioneers of social responsibility and generous philanthropists of the province: a legacy established through the eyes of his many supporters and followers.

Born the 8th of 9 children and growing up in Vancouver's Chinatown, Mr. Wong embraced the opportunities life's journey presented to him. He graduated from the University of British Columbia with a Bachelor of Arts and through the introduction to stocks by an older brother, led him into a career with National Trustco. Inc. After working his way up through this organization, he later ventured out to establish M.K. Wong & Associates in 1980 and continued with them until they were absorbed and recreated into HSBC Global Asset Management in 1996.

Milton Wong was past Chair and CEO of the 4th World Chinese Entrepreneurs Convention in Vancouver in 1997 and later took on the role of chancellor of Simon Fraser University from 1999 until 2005. While there he created a lasting legacy and reinforced this through helping move the SFU School For Contemporary Arts to the redeveloped Woodward's complex.

Mr. Wong's list of accomplishments runs long and deep through the province. In order to promote cultural diversity through a variety of means, he co-founded both the Laurier Institution as well as the Canadian International Dragon Boat Festival Society. He has been instrumental in raising funds for and supporting organizations such as the BC Cancer Foundation, Red Cross, Salvation Army, Science World and the YWCA. Mr. Wong is also recognized as the co-founder of the Portfolio Management Program at UBC's Sauder School of Business, where he became an inspirational mentor for a generation of young entrepreneurs.

As a result of Milton Wong's relentless passion and involvement in the Arts, Social Responsibility, Business and overall Community engagement, he has a list of awards to match. He has received the City of Vancouver Civic Merit Award, Ernst & Young Award Socially Responsible Entrepreneur of the Year Award, Freedom of the City Award, Public Policy Forum Testimonial Award, the Order of British Columbia, and the Order of Canada.

Mr. Wong served as director on the Aga Khan Foundation Canada, the Canada-U.S. Fulbright Program, Genome BC, the International Institute of Sustainable Development, the Pacific Salmon Endowment Society, the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation and was a member of the Advisory Committee to the Chairman of the Canadian Judicial Council. He has also served on the Board of Seaspan Container Corp. and Alcan Inc. Mr. Wong's other projects have included the Nurse Next Door home-care franchise company as well as Day 4 Energy involving leaders in the areas of climate change.

Although his schedule is timely and his accolades long, he has managed to balance the role of family and been actively involved in the lives of his three daughters together with his wife Fei Wong.



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Each year, new Laureates are formally welcomed into the Business Laureates of BC Hall of Fame at the Gala Dinner and Induction Ceremonies. They are nominated by their peers and chosen by an independent selection committee representing BC's foremost business, academic, and media institutions.

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These words represent the foundation of the Business Laureates of British Columbia Hall of Fame. While they may have succeeded in different industries, different times in our history and different parts of our great province, the Laureates all exemplify excellence, integrity, sound business ethics and the respect of their peers. Their careers are legendary.

The award presented to each Laureate acknowledges the spirit of the greatest leaders and mentors in our province. Laureates have demonstrated a **Vision** unique among their peers; they have provided **Leadership** to move others to achieve their goals; they have led their lives with **Integrity**; and they have built a **Legacy** that will enrich those who follow.

2012 Business Laureates of BC Gala Dinner and Induction Ceremonies

DATE: Thursday, May 24, 2012

TIME: 6:00 pm Reception
7:00 pm Dinner (Black Tie)

PLACE: Fairmont Hotel Vancouver
900 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC



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Past Inductees of the Business Laureates of British Columbia Hall of Fame:

Michael Audain, O.C., O.B.C., LL.D

Charles Bentall

David Black, MBA

Alex A. Campbell, O.B.C., LL.D.

Jack Diamond, C.C., O.B.C., LL.D.

Thomas James Foord, O.B.C.

Chester A. Johnson, C.M., O.B.C., B.Comm., F.C.A.

Henry Holman (Hank) Ketcham III, O.B.C.

Samuel Kendall (Sam) Ketcham

Leon J. Koerner, LL.D.

Tong Louie, C.M., O.B.C., B.S.A., LL.D.

H.R. MacMillan, C.C.

Wendy B. McDonald, C.M., O.B.C., LL.D., D.Tech.

Jimmy Pattison, O.C., O.B.C.

Donald B. Rix, M.D., C.M., O.B.C.

Joseph Segal, C.M., O.B.C., LL.D.

Dr. Ken Spencer, LL.D

Irving (Ike) Barber, O.C, O.B.C.

L.L.G. (Poldi) Bentley

Peter M. Brown, O.B.C., LL.D

Hon. John V. Clyne, C.C.

William Farrell

Frank A. Griffiths, F.C.A.

Dr. Norman B. Keevil, O.C.

Henry Holman (Pete) Ketcham Jr.

William Peters (Bill) Ketcham

Robert (Bob) H. Lee, C.M., O.B.C., B.Comm., LL.D.

John S. MacDonald, O.C.

G. W. Grant McConachie

William M. Mercer. B.Comm.

John (Jack) W. Poole, O.C., O.B.C., B.Sc.

William L. Sauder (Bill), O.C., O.B.C., B.Comm., LL.D.

David W. Spencer

Charles Woodward

Business Laureates of BC Hall of Fame Permanent Site

The Business Laureates of British Columbia Hall of Fame has a simple goal: to honour those who helped build our province... and to inspire those that follow *to be builders themselves*. Through our “buy a brick campaign” and the generosity of the community, Junior Achievement of British Columbia (JABC) has built a Hall of Fame...to tell their stories.

In 2009, JABC unveiled the site for the Hall of Fame at the Vancouver Convention Centre. The interactive display includes a Kiosk that spent the last two years traveling to Victoria and Prince George. Through this new landmark, people from all parts of the province will share our feeling of pride for these remarkable BC business leaders.

About Junior Achievement of British Columbia

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JA World Wide

- JA is the world's largest organization dedicated to educating young people about business
- Our three educational pillars for student success: **Work Readiness, Entrepreneurship** and **Financial Literacy**
- Horace A. Moses, Chairman of Strathmore Paper in Springfield, Massachusetts, founded the organization in 1919 when he recognized the need for practical economic education among city students. Since that time, Junior Achievement has expanded around the globe, enhancing the employability, life and entrepreneurial skills of approx 8 million students each year
- JA Worldwide (JAWW) was awarded special consultative status to the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) in January 2009 for its expertise in issues relating to economic development as it relates to young people across international boundaries
- In 2008-2009 JA World Wide reached **9,795,485** students

JA in Canada for over 50 years

- Across Canada, Junior Achievement reaches over 250,000 students annually
- Junior Achievement was first introduced to Canada in 1955 when Ralph Baker, former President of the Standard Oil Company, recruited Vancouver's business community to provide programs for 250 students. Since then, close to 3.7 million Canadian youth have participated in our business and entrepreneurial education programs free-of-charge
- Annually, more than 15,000 volunteers deliver the JA learning experience across Canada
- There are 17 JA Charters across Canada in 10 Provinces

Inspiring BC Students

- Junior Achievement of British Columbia (JABC) supports program delivery through our head office in Vancouver and regional offices throughout BC
- Since 1955 JABC has:
 - delivered business education programs to nearly a quarter of a million students
 - involved over 10,000 business volunteers in communities across the province
- In 2010-11, we delivered 1092 programs reaching approximately 30, 000 students with the support of 800 volunteers
- We offer a suite of 7 programs
 - Business Basics – Our Business World (grades 5-7)
 - Business Basics – A Business of Our Own (grades 6-8)
 - Dollars with Sense (grade 8)
 - Economics for Success (grades 9 & 10)
 - Investment Strategies Program (grades 9 & 10)
 - Company Program – A Student Venture (grades 11 & 12)
 - JA Titan Business Game (grades 11 & 12)
 - BC Business Challenge