



# YORK U **ALUMNI NEWS**



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## Best of YU: Top alumni moments of 2020

This past year was one of major change and upheaval that had our team working to adapt our programs and services to ensure that they remained accessible and relevant to the York alumni community. Here are our highlights from 2020.



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## Eight York alumni appointed to Order of Ontario

Congratulations to York U alumni and honourary alumni invested with the Order of Ontario – the province's highest honour – for 2019 and 2020.

Read more about York's honourees.



#### **ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT**

## Evan Morgan (BFA '08)

Alumnus Evan Morgan, a graduate of York's film program, has a lot to celebrate. His film *The Kid Detective*, named by TIFF as one of 10 best Canadian features and shorts of 2020, is bringing in rave reviews. **Read Evan's story**.



#### **ALUMNI NEWS**

# Twelve York alumnae recognized on top 100 list

Twelve alumnae have been recognized by Women's Executive Network (WXN) Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 list for their leadership and work influencing positive change in their communities. Read more about the WXN Top 100.



#### **PROGRAMS & EVENTS**

## Scholars' Hub @ Home

Jan. 21 | Claim the vote, claim the country? Part II: Key takeaways from the 2020 US election
Jan. 27 | The COVID-19 pandemic reinforces the importance of the social determinants of health
Feb. 3 | Black History Month - Gospel Music: A Canadian Perspective



#### CONNECT

#### Join the Alumni Book Club

Stay connected with other York alumni through our virtual book club. From January to March, we'll be reading Michael Crummey's *The Innocents*, a sweeping, heart-wrenching, deeply immersive novel about a brother and sister alone in a small world. For more information and to join, click here.



#### **PROGRAMS & EVENTS**

### Join us for York Circle

Join us for the York Circle @ Home lecture series on **Sunday**, **Feb. 28** as experts discuss racism in a pandemic. This virtual lecture series showcases York's leading faculty members to engage in panel discussions on key themes related to the pandemic. **Register for York Circle**.



#### **FACULTY**

## Trust during a pandemic is hard to get and hard to earn

According to Jordan Berman, authenticity is where leaders struggle the most. As facilitator for SEEC's program Managing Change, Conflict and Communications, he says people trust you when they feel they "know" you. Read more.







## Money Matters: Financial **Literacy Webinar**

Join us in February for our Money Matters four-week course by York alumna Basia Pozin. Money Matters offers virtual financial literacy classes for young adults. Register now and save 20%.

## Order fresh groceries from Fresh City Farms

especially for York alumni! Order organic, sustainable, and seasonal groceries from Toronto's Fresh City Farms and save \$15 off your first three online orders (\$45 value). Follow this link and place your first order today.

## Start the new year with York gear

We have an introductory offer Alumni save 15% on branded clothing, gift and stationery items with the YUAlumni15 coupon code. Visit the alumni catalogue for ideas.

### **ALUMNI EVENTS**



### Jan. 20 | 5:30-7pm | Social Work Alumni Network Event

Let's get crafty! This virtual event will bring together students, alumni, and faculty to craft and play games. Make sure you bring supplies!



#### Jan. 28 | 12-1pm | LA&PS Moving Forward Series

How Entrepreneurs Overcome Adversity: Five successful York entrepreneurs will discuss how one overcomes adversities.



#### Feb. 4 | 2-3:30pm | LA&PS Moving Forward Series

My English degree: what a great decision: Hear English department grads in leadership roles as they share their career journeys with you.



#### Feb. 9 | 12-1pm | LA&PS Moving Forward Series

How York alumni are advancing initiatives in Black communities: we talk to York grads who are currently involved in various initiatives addressing anti-Black racism as they talk about their work in this area

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