

YORK U ALUMNI NEWS



**National Day for Truth and Reconciliation panel explores reconciliation in action**

More than 700 community members attended York’s National Day for Truth and Reconciliation virtual panel on Sept. 30. The panel was part of a [full day of events](#) that concluded with the illumination in orange light of buildings on the Keele and Glendon campuses. [Learn more about the event.](#)



**CAMPUS NEWS**

**New Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Languages**

The goal of the Centre is to facilitate knowledge production and dissemination that re-centres Indigenous knowledges, languages, practices and ways of being. [Learn more about the Centre.](#)



**ALUMNI EVENTS**

**York U Photo Challenge**

Missing campus? Take a walk down memory lane with this safe and fun return-to-campus experience for alumni and students. Participants have a chance to win a \$100 gift card to the York University Bookstore. [Learn more about the York U Photo Challenge.](#)



#### THE YORK U MAGAZINE

### Red carpet diaries

Julie Reikai Rickerd (BA '67 Glendon) reflects on the highlights of the three decades she spent working in the press office during the golden era of the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF). [Read the full story.](#)



#### ALUMNI PROGRAMS

### Only two weeks left to nominate the next Top 30

York's young alumni are inspiring positive change around the world. Do you know a York alumna/alumnus who is making a meaningful difference in their community? We want to hear from you! [Nominations are due Oct. 18.](#)



#### ALUMNI NETWORKS

### Inaugural Alumni Network of the Year announced

Over the past year the York University School of Public Policy and Administration Alumni Network has demonstrated exceptional dedication and commitment to the University. [Learn more about the 2021 Alumni Network of the Year.](#)



#### ALUMNI EVENTS

### York Circle @ Home lecture series returns on Oct. 24

This year's lecture series, centres on the theme "Oh Canada! The True North Strong and Free?" Hosted by Dr. Rebecca Pillai Riddell, the lectures will feature panels of leading faculty members. [Learn more and register.](#)

#### ALUMNI PROGRAMS

### Read *The Glass Hotel* with the York U Alumni Book Club

This captivating story, rife with unexpected beauty, *The Glass Hotel* is a captivating portrait of greed and guilt, love and delusion, ghosts and unintended consequences, and the



infinite ways we search for meaning in our lives. [Join the Alumni Book Club.](#)



#### ALUMNI EVENTS

##### The York U Alumni Awards

As a member of the York U community, you are invited to attend an evening of entertainment and celebration as we honour the outstanding accomplishments of four alumni award recipients, and recognize the positive change being created by York students and alumni locally and globally. [Register for your complimentary tickets.](#)

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#### ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

York alumna and Afghanistan women's national soccer team captain, Farkhunda Muhtaj (BSc '19, BEd '21), visits with the girls from the Afghan youth women's national team and their families, who she helped coordinate evacuations when the Taliban came to power.

[Read the full article on CBC.](#)

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#### ALUMNI BENEFITS



##### Hertz vehicle rentals

York U alumni can save up to 20% with Hertz. From value savings options like a compact car, to a roomy full size car or luxury model, Hertz makes renting a vehicle easy and affordable. [Learn more.](#)



##### Ski at Mt. Tremblant

Hit the slopes this winter! SkiMax is back for the 2021-2022 winter season. Tickets are valid until Dec. 9, 2022. Fully transferable between attendees, they make an excellent gift for friends and family. [Learn more.](#)



##### Term Life Insurance

Protect your loved ones and those who count on you the most with one more piece of protection, Alumni Term Life Insurance from Manulife. Get your free quote today. [Learn more.](#)

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## ALUMNI EVENTS



**Oct. 14 | 12pm ET | GRADitude | Young alumni speed networking event**

Looking to grow your professional network or practice your networking skills? Join this virtual speed networking session hosted by alumna and young alumni ambassador Aparna Mehta (BA '21), where you will have the chance to meet fellow York alumni from all over the world.



**Oct. 20 | 12pm ET | Scholars' Hub @ Home | Francophone African-Canadian Immigrants in the minoritized Francophone community**

*En partenariat avec le Collège universitaire Glendon, l'Université York. Présentation bilingue avec interprétation simultanée disponible.*

The lived experience of Francophone Canadian immigrants who come from Sub-Saharan Africa is that they rarely benefit from the symbolic capital of speaking French. Instead, they encounter triple marginalization due to living in a minoritized francophone community, because of their race, and by virtue of their French language accent.



**Oct. 24 | 10am ET | York Circle @ Home | Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship in Canada**

Hear from a panel of prominent York faculty members who will engage in a lively panel discussion on their research ranging from immigration trajectories and precarious work to sexual orientation and gender identity and refugee status.



**Oct. 26 | 12pm ET | GRADitude | First time home buyer**

Are you thinking about buying your first home or interested in the home buying process? Hear from industry experts and York alumni Michele Da Silva (BHRM '07) and Stefania Giorgio (BA '04) on a range of topics from the differences between renting and buying to how to prepare your finances to enter the market.



**Oct. 27 | 12pm ET | Scholars' Hub @ Home | Art venues hold the key to an innovative society**

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the economy and arts spaces have ended up among the biggest losers. But research demonstrates that honing imagination and wonder is essential to creating cultures dedicated to innovative social and business practices and arts venues are the training ground for wonder.



**Nov. 8 | Entrepreneurial Alumni Day**

Global Entrepreneurship Week kicks off with Entrepreneurial Alumni Day featuring a keynote by Ario Khoshbin (BAS '02), founder of Prolenium Medical Technologies, and a panel of York's entrepreneurial Top 30 Changemakers Under 30. Stay tuned for more info or connect with Alyson Gampel ([agampel@yorku.ca](mailto:agampel@yorku.ca)).

To find out more about the alumni events we're hosting this fall visit our [full event listings](#).

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