

YORK U ALUMNI NEWS



Season's greetings from the Division of Advancement

As 2022 draws to a close, we want to wish you and your loved ones a happy and bright holiday season. Your support and contributions to the University are essential to the work we do to create positive change locally and globally. Together, we are righting the future for generations to come. Very best wishes for a joyous holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year.



President's 2022 Annual Report reinforces York's commitment to right the future

This was a historic year for York University. After a safe and successful return to campus for the first time since the onset of the pandemic, York held the largest convocation in its 63-year history, announced the first senate-approved courses for the new Markham Campus, issued a proposal for a new school of medicine, and ascended in the 2022 QS World and 2022 Maclean's University Rankings. [Read more.](#)



Best of YU: Top Advancement moments of 2022

Reminisce with us as we take a look back at our top ten moments this year in the Division of Advancement. [Read more.](#)



Alumni book club

A new year is approaching, and we have just the resolution for you: Read more books! You're invited to join the York University Alumni Book Club! Connecting through a private, free, online discussion forum, the group spends about eight weeks reading each book and finishes five books each year. [Learn more.](#)



Former York Lion, Mark-Anthony Kaye, makes it to World Cup

Mark-Anthony Kaye, Toronto FC player and former York Lion, recently represented Canada at the 2022 FIFA World Cup. [Watch the video.](#)



Athletic Therapy alumni on the sidelines for Argos' Grey Cup win

A joyous victory takes a strong team and determination, and York alumni are up to the task. While the Toronto Argonauts worked hard to bring home the franchise's 18th Grey Cup win, two York alumni played key roles as team athletic therapists. [Read more.](#)



MES Planning Alumni Committee named 2022 Alumni Network of the Year

Representing graduates of the Master in Environmental Science Planning program (MES Planning), the MES @ York Planning Alumni Committee (MYPAAC) was awarded Alumni Network of the Year for 2022 by the York University Alumni Board. [Read more.](#)



Supreme Court of Canada welcomes York alumnus into competitive clerkship

Zack Goldford graduated not just at the top of the Law & Society (LASO) program in 2019, but with the highest academic standing at York University across all Faculties. For that, he won the prestigious Governor General's Academic Medal – now he surpasses another milestone: Supreme Court clerkship. [Read more.](#)



Nominations for Alumni Award recipients are open!

Each year, the York University Alumni Awards recognize outstanding alumni who have achieved the extraordinary and are working to right the future by creating positive change in their fields. Nominations for the 2023 cohort are now open. [Learn more.](#)

ALUMNI BENEFITS



Canada's Wonderland
WinterFest admission tickets for \$24.99. All alumni and friends are welcome! WinterFest runs on select days until December 31. [Get tickets.](#)



Ethical Bean Coffee
Until December 31, alumni save 20% on 100% fairtrade organic coffee roasted in Canada. [Register with Alumni Perks for more details.](#)



Opimian Wine Club
Alumni get a complimentary trial membership to the Opimian community upon placing their first order (\$129 value). Sign up now and get a \$35 credit towards your first purchase. [Register with Alumni Perks for more details.](#)

ALUMNI EVENTS



Jan. 11 | 12pm ET | Scholars' Hub @ Home: Between utopia and destruction: The making of a jazz rhapsody on Soviet-Jewish themes
Noam Lemish, Assistant Professor, AMPD



Jan. 19 | 12pm ET | Mid Career Conversations: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) as Competitive Advantage
Julia M. Satov (BA '11, MEd '14) - Global Director of Diversity & Inclusion, Litera



Jan. 25 | 12pm ET | Scholars' Hub @ Home: Why weight loss is hard: Separating fact from fiction
Jennifer Kuk, Associate Professor, Faculty of Health