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Annual Report
2024 - 2025
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THE CFUW CHARITABLE TRUST AND THE FELLOWSHIPS PROGRAM

The Canadian Federation of University Women Charitable Trust (CFUWCT) Fellowship and Awards Competitions are available to women who are citizens, permanent residents of Canada, or who have 'Protected Person' Status.

Fellowships originated as a specialized program for the advancement of women, and as a way of fulfilling CFUW's commitment to the advancement of women through education. CFUW Fellowship competitions are open to self-identified women.

LA FONDATION DE LA FCFDU ET LE PROGRAMME DE BOURSES DE RECHERCHE

Les concours de bourses de recherche et de prix de la Fondation de la FCFDU (Fédération canadienne des femmes diplômées des universités) sont ouverts à toutes les femmes qui sont citoyennes canadiennes, qui sont résidentes permanentes du Canada ou qui détiennent le statut de « personne protégée » au Canada.

THE CHARITABLE TRUST AND CFUW

CFUW Charitable Trust is a registered charity that raises money and administers funds for fellowships and awards for graduate studies by women from across Canada. CFUW has supported graduate study, literacy and creative arts through awards and fellowships since its founding in 1919 and the first CFUW Travelling Fellowship of $1000 was awarded in 1921.

It was meant to be the equivalent of the Rhodes Scholarships which were not open to women. Over the years, the number and nature of the awards has expanded and many Clubs have established their own scholarship programs but the National program is unique in supporting study at the graduate level, masters and PhD, but also in being a cross-Canada program. The Charitable Trust works closely with CFUW but has its own Board of Directors and operates independently of CFUW.

La Fondation caritative de la FCFDU est un organisme de bienfaisance enregistré qui recueille des fonds et administres des fonds pour des bourses et des prix destinés aux études supérieures de femmes de partout au Canada. Depuis sa fondation en 1919, la FCFDU soutient les études supérieures, l'alphabétisation et les arts créatifs par le biais de prix et de bourses. La première bourse de voyage de la FCFDU, d'un montant de 1 000 $, a été attribuée en 1921. Elle devait être l'équivalent des bourses Rhodes, qui n'étaient pas ouvertes aux femmes. Au fil des ans, le nombre et la nature des bourses ont augmenté et de nombreux clubs ont créé leurs propres programmes de bourses. Cependant, le programme national est unique en ce qu'il soutient les études aux cycles supérieurs, à la maîtrise et au doctorat, et qu'il est également pancanadien. La Fondation caritative travaille en étroite collaboration avec la FCFDU, mais possède son propre conseil d'administration et fonctionne indépendamment de celle-ci.

Message from the Chair

Message de la présidente

Kathryn Wilkinson

CFUW Charitable Trust 2024-2025/ *La Fondation de la FCFDU*

The CFUW Charitable Trust is the best committee on which to work; our task is to manage a substantial fund of over $2m that is used to fund awards for incredibly talented women who are pursuing graduate studies. The Trust continues our successful collaboration with Universities Canada who receive applications and perform the initial screening to ensure that candidates are eligible for the awards for which they apply. Eligible applications are reviewed by the CT Fellowship Committee under the leadership of Sandy Thomson. We never know in advance how many applications we will receive or from where they will originate so Sandy and her committee need to be flexible, adaptable and frequently bilingual. The application process for 2026 will open in November, 2025 and close in early January, 2026 or once we have received 225 eligible applications. The Trustees would like Clubs to contact their previous award winners who may be graduating and considering graduate studies and encourage them to apply for a CT award.

As you will see from our Treasurers Report, we have received a number of sizeable donations and we are grateful for the support that we receive from Clubs, individuals and legacy donations. We are aware that the cost of everything is increasing, including education, so we are trying to raise the value of our awards to reflect the reality that students are facing. We are particularly indebted to the Massey Family who established an award to honour their daughter Elizabeth. When Mrs Massey died, her husband asked to rename the award: The Elizabeth and Rachel Massey Award. Mr. Massey passed away in 2024 and the Charitable Trust is included in his will. This has enabled us to increase the value of the award for a woman undertaking post graduate studies in visual/fine arts from $5000 to $10,000. We are also increasing our Legacy Award for 2026-2027 from $5000 to $8300. In an ideal world, we would be able to increase all our awards.

This year we were pleased to receive an increased number of applications for the CFUW Creative Arts Award. The CFUW Creative Arts Award and the Library Award are awarded on alternate years. They are unique in being the only awards that are nominated by a Club for a project in their community. This year's recipient was Overture for the Arts, a Montreal based non-profit nominated by Montreal Lakeshore (MLUWC). The award of $4000 was used to provide funding to a Musical Theatre Summer Camp. 2026 will be the turn of the Library Award and Clubs are encouraged to make an application on behalf of a community project.
Finally, my thanks go to the members of the CT Board. It has been my pleasure to work with Marlene Bristol, Audrey, Hobbs-Johnson, Kyoko Kobayashi, Sandy Thomson, Kathy Wosnick, Ruth Weaver and National President Linda Sestock. In October, at our Annual General Meeting, I will be stepping down as Chair and Kathy Wosnick will assume the role.

Thank you again for all your support and please register to attend the Annual General Meeting on Saturday, October 4 @ 1 p.m. Every year, we try to showcase some of our award winners by inviting them back as speakers, and it is always humbling to see the standard of research by women in Canada. This year we will showcase Lauren Stoyles who is researching women in museums in Canada.

Le comité de la Fondation caritative de la CFUW est un excellent environnement de travail ; notre mission est de gérer un fonds important de plus de 2 millions de dollars, qui sert à financer des bourses pour des femmes extrêmement talentueuses poursuivant des études supérieures.Le Fonds poursuit sa collaboration fructueuse avec Universités Canada, qui reçoit les candidatures et effectue la sélection initiale afin de garantir l'admissibilité des candidates aux bourses auxquelles elles postulent. Les candidatures admissibles sont examinées par le Comité des bourses CT, sous la direction de Sandy Thomson. Nous ne savons jamais à l'avance combien de candidatures nous recevrons ni d'où elles proviendront ; Sandy et son comité doivent donc faire preuve de souplesse, d'adaptabilité et être souvent bilingues. Le processus de candidature pour 2026 ouvrira en novembre 2025 et se terminera début janvier 2026 ou une fois que nous aurons reçu 225 candidatures éligibles.

Les administrateurs souhaitent que les clubs contactent leurs anciens lauréats qui pourraient obtenir leur diplôme et envisager des études supérieures afin de les encourager à postuler pour une bourse CT.
Comme vous pourrez le constater dans notre rapport de trésorier, nous avons reçu des dons importants et sommes reconnaissants du soutien que nous recevons des clubs, des particuliers et des dons testamentaires. Conscients que le coût de tout augmente, y compris celui de l'éducation, nous nous efforçons d'augmenter la valeur de nos prix afin de refléter la réalité des étudiants. Nous sommes particulièrement reconnaissants à la famille Massey, qui a créé un prix en l'honneur de leur fille Elizabeth. Au décès de Mme Massey, son mari a demandé que le prix soit rebaptisé « Prix Elizabeth et Rachel Massey ». M. Massey est décédé en 2024 et la fiducie de bienfaisance est inscrite à son testament. Cela nous a permis d'augmenter la valeur du prix destiné à une femme poursuivant des études supérieures en arts visuels et en beaux-arts de 5 000 $ à 10 000 $. Nous augmentons également notre prix testamentaire pour 2026-2027 de 5 000 $ à 8 300 $. Dans un monde idéal, nous pourrions augmenter toutes nos récompenses.

Cette année, nous avons eu le plaisir de recevoir un nombre accru de candidatures pour le Prix des arts créatifs de la FCFDU. Le Prix des arts créatifs de la FCFDU et le Prix de la bibliothèque sont décernés en alternance. Ils ont la particularité d'être les seuls prix proposés par un club pour un projet communautaire. Cette année, le lauréat était Overture for the Arts, un organisme sans but lucratif montréalais proposé par Montréal Lakeshore (MLUWC). La bourse de 4 000 $ a servi à financer un camp d'été de théâtre musical. 2026 sera le tour du Prix de la bibliothèque et les clubs sont encouragés à présenter une candidature pour un projet communautaire.

Enfin, je remercie les membres du conseil d'administration du CT. J'ai eu le plaisir de travailler avec Marlene Bristol, Audrey, Hobbs-Johnson, Kyoko Kobayashi, Sandy Thomson, Kathy Wosnick, Ruth Weaver et la présidente nationale Linda Sestock. En octobre, lors de notre assemblée générale annuelle, je quitterai mon poste de présidente et Kathy Wosnick assumera mes fonctions.

Merci encore pour votre soutien et inscrivez-vous à l'assemblée générale annuelle le samedi 4 octobre à 13 h. Chaque année, nous mettons en valeur certaines de nos lauréates en les invitant à nouveau comme conférencières, et c'est toujours une grande leçon d'humilité de constater le niveau de recherche des femmes au Canada. Cette année, nous mettrons en vedette Lauren Stoyles, qui mène des recherches sur les femmes dans les musées canadiens.

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Treasurer's Report/Rapport de la tresoriere - Ruth Weaver
CFUW Charitable Trust 2024-2025/La Fondation de la FCFDU

In 2024, the Canadian economy continued to adjust to elevated interest rates and moderating inflation. The Bank of Canada maintained its policy rate at 5.00% through the first half of the year. As inflation gradually declined, the BoC began a series of rate cuts later in the year.

Equity markets were once again driven by strong performance in large-cap U.S. technology firms. The portfolio remains within the target ranges set by the Investment Policy Statement. As of April 30, the allocation is approximately 5% underweight equities and overweight fixed income, reflecting our view that policy-related risks may not yet be fully reflected in equity valuations.

The fixed income allocation includes a diversified mix of GICs, government and corporate bonds, and preferred shares. We increased exposure to high-quality short-duration bonds and reduced holdings in lower-quality preferred shares to mitigate volatility. High Interest Savings Accounts continue to offer competitive yields, and dividend income is reinvested monthly.

Equity holdings are diversified across sectors and geographies, with a focus on high-quality Canadian and U.S. companies. In late 2024, we made adjustments to reduce concentrated positions and enhance overall diversification. Our funds are managed by Erin Gendron, Cross Point Financial, IA Private Wealth.

Revenue for the fiscal year was $299,445, an increase over last year due to significant Estate donations. Administration expenses of $47,423 and awards totalling $88,000 resulted in an excess of revenue over expenses of $164,022 not including any realized or unrealized gains or losses. Complete financial Statements can be found on the Charitable Trust website: https://cfuwcharitabletrust.ca/

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Rapport de la trésorière - Ruth Weaver
Fondation de la FCFDU/CFUW Charitable Trust 2024-2025

En 2024, l'économie canadienne a continué de s'adapter aux taux d'intérêt élevés et à la modération de l'inflation. La Banque du Canada a maintenu son taux directeur à 5,00 % au premier semestre. Face à la baisse progressive de l'inflation, la Banque du Canada a entamé une série de baisses de taux plus tard dans l'année.

Les marchés boursiers ont de nouveau été portés par la solide performance des entreprises technologiques américaines à grande capitalisation. Le portefeuille demeure dans les fourchettes cibles fixées par l'Énoncé de politique de placement. Au 30 avril, la répartition était d'environ 5 % sous-pondérée en actions et surpondérée en titres à revenu fixe, ce qui reflète notre opinion selon laquelle

les risques liés aux politiques pourraient ne pas encore être pleinement reflétés dans les valorisations des actions.

La répartition en titres à revenu fixe comprend une combinaison diversifiée de CPG, d'obligations d'État et de sociétés, et d'actions privilégiées. Nous avons augmenté notre exposition aux obligations à court terme de haute qualité et réduit notre participation en actions privilégiées de moindre qualité afin d'atténuer la volatilité. Les comptes d'épargne à intérêt élevé continuent d'offrir des rendements compétitifs, et les revenus de dividendes sont réinvestis mensuellement.

Les placements en actions sont diversifiés entre secteurs et régions, en privilégiant les sociétés canadiennes et américaines de grande qualité. Fin 2024, nous avons apporté des ajustements afin de réduire la concentration des positions et d'améliorer la diversification globale. Nos fonds sont gérés par Erin Gendron, Cross Point Financial, IA Gestion privée de patrimoine.

Les revenus pour l'exercice se sont élevés à 299 445 $, en hausse par rapport à l'exercice précédent en raison d'importants dons successoraux. Les frais d'administration de 47 423 $ et les attributions totalisant 88 000 $ ont donné lieu à un excédent des revenus sur les dépenses de 164 022 $, sans compter les gains ou pertes réalisés ou latents. Les états financiers complets sont disponibles sur le site web de la fiducie de bienfaisance : https://cfuwcharitabletrust.ca/

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DONOR RECOGNITION
(May 2024-April 2025)

CFUW charitable trust is grateful to the many organizations, individuals and clubs who have contributed to the charitable trust. Several clubs also collected and forwarded donations from individuals.

The trust, thanks all of our donors for the generous contributions over the past year, the trust also received a significant request from the Anne McCormick estate. There were several donations, but only individuals who have provided permission are listed. We would like to acknowledge the following donors:

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Acemian	Nancy
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Arnott	Helen
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Fellowships and Awards Program – Sandy Thomson, Chair, Fellowships and Awards Committee

The Fellowships and Awards Program offered by the CFUW Charitable Trust (CT) resulted in 14 young and mature women across Canada as winning recipients.

The Committee, consisting of CFUW members from clubs across Canada, diligently adjudicated #188 applications from early February to May. This was a slight increase from over last year's accepted submissions. The Committee members – Madeline Kalbach, Susan Stauffer, Sandy Burger, Dominique Racanelli, Adell Hay, Patricia McCuaig, Carolina Soulie, Jane Cowell-Poitras, Lori Ker and myself – work in teams of two for collaboration of their assigned applications. Applications are then shortlisted and further reviewed between two teams which produce the final winner.

Our scholarship partner, Universities Canada ensure the applications receive meet all of our guidelines, which are posted on our website: Home • CFUW Charitable Trust. Our cap is #225 applicants with Scholarship Partners receiving a total of #201 for review, and then inputted on the online portal for this past 2025-2026 cycle.

Students do not have to pay a fee for applying. A new change this year featured the choosing of two awards out of #14 offered. It was very revealing that if one of the applicants shortlisted in an award, but not winning, she invariably was selected for her second option. This illustrates the high quality of candidates that do apply for the CT program.

Applications are generally received from higher institutes of learning across Canada and abroad, but not all Canadian universities are represented. For instance, the top three universities that we received applications from this cycle: UQAM (Montreal), University of Sherbrooke and University of Ottawa. Marketing is a key to ensure all of the Canadian universities are at least made aware of our program. Therefore our individual clubs are an important marketing asset by reaching out to their local schools and inform them of this financial opportunity for the Master's and PHD students. The application cycle will open early November for the 2026-2027 year.

The winners are celebrated by speaking at the Annual General Meetings (AGMs). This year, featured speakers were both Master's students. Jasper Crockford, University of Calgary, presented her research at the National AGM on menopause and brain aging, and Lauren Stoyles, Carleton University, will speak on curating women's labour histories in Canada's natural history museums at the CT AGM.

CFUW is for the women of Canada and the Charitable Trust exemplifies what this organization is all about. We are proud of the work we do and represent. Pass along the positive messaging!

Programme de bourses et de prix – Sandy Thomson, présidente du Comité des bourses et des prix

Le programme de bourses et de prix offert par la Fiducie de bienfaisance de la FCFDU a permis de décerner des bourses à 14 femmes, jeunes et adultes, de partout au Canada.

Le comité, composé de membres de la FCFDU issues de clubs de partout au Canada, a examiné avec diligence 188 candidatures entre début février et mai. Il s'agit d'une légère augmentation par rapport au nombre de candidatures acceptées l'an dernier. Les membres du comité – Madeline Kalbach, Susan Stauffer, Sandy Burger, Dominique Racanelli, Adell Hay, Patricia McCuaig, Carolina Soulie, Jane Cowell-Poitras, Lori Ker et moi-même – travaillent en équipes de deux pour collaborer sur les candidatures qui leur sont attribuées. Les candidatures sont ensuite présélectionnées et examinées par deux équipes, ce qui permet de déterminer la lauréate.

Notre partenaire pour les bourses d'études : Universities Canada s'assure que les candidatures reçues respectent toutes nos directives, qui sont publiées sur notre site Web : Accueil • Fiducie de bienfaisance de la FCFDU. Notre limite est fixée à 225 candidatures, et nos partenaires de bourses en ont reçu 201 pour examen, puis saisies sur le portail en ligne pour le dernier cycle 2025-2026.

Les étudiants n'ont pas à payer de frais de candidature. Cette année, un changement a permis de choisir deux bourses parmi les 14 proposées. Il est révélateur que si l'une des candidates était présélectionnée pour une bourse, mais non gagnante, elle était systématiquement sélectionnée pour sa deuxième option. Cela illustre la grande qualité des candidats qui postulent au programme de CT.

Les candidatures proviennent généralement d'établissements d'enseignement supérieur du Canada et de l'étranger, mais toutes les universités canadiennes ne sont pas représentées. Par exemple, les trois principales universités ayant reçu des candidatures pour ce cycle sont l'UQAM (Montréal), l'Université de Sherbrooke et l'Université d'Ottawa. Le marketing est essentiel pour que toutes les universités canadiennes soient au moins informées de notre programme. C'est pourquoi nos clubs constituent un atout marketing important en contactant leurs établissements locaux et en les informant de cette opportunité financière pour les étudiants de maîtrise et de doctorat. Le cycle de candidatures débutera début novembre pour l'année 2026-2027.

Les lauréates seront honorées par des allocutions lors des assemblées générales annuelles (AGA). Cette année, les conférencières invitées étaient toutes deux étudiantes à la maîtrise. Jasper Crockford, de l'Université de Calgary, a présenté ses recherches sur la ménopause et le vieillissement cérébral lors de l'AGA nationale, et Lauren Stoyles, de l'Université Carleton, a parlé de la conservation de l'histoire du travail des femmes dans les musées d'histoire naturelle du Canada lors de l'AGA du CT.

La FCFDU est au service des femmes du Canada et la fiducie de bienfaisance illustre parfaitement la mission de cette organisation. Nous sommes fières du travail que nous accomplissons et représentons. Partagez ce message positif !

Winners of the 2025-2026 Charitable Trust Awards

Ruth Binnie Fellowship - Emily Grady

Athabasca University

“Availability of Open Educational Resources (OER) for Delivering Environmental Education to Children in Grades 5-7 in British Columbia”
“I hope to empower educators to inspire the next generation of environmental stewards, making it easier for students to learn about and care for the world around them.

Bourse Georgette Lemoyne Award - Nadia Beaudry

Laval University

“Soutenir l’intégration de la pratique du dialogue philosophique en classe primaire par l’accompagnement des personnes enseignantes: Élaboration, implantation et évaluation d’une démarche de développement professionnel dans le cadre du programme Culture et citoyenneté Québécoise”

Supporting the Integration of the Practice of Philosophical Dialogue in the Elementary Classroom through the Accompaniment of Teachers: Development, Implementation and Evaluation of a Professional Development Approach as Part of the Quebec Culture and Citizenship Program.

Canadian Home Economics Association Fellowship (CHEA) - Panuya Athithan

University of Guelph

“Investigation the Impact of ENDURE Microbes on Gut Microbiomes from Industrial and Non- Industrial Population”
Beyond her research, Panuya was selected as one of the 2024 Young Directors through the FORA Rise on Boards program. This prestigious program has provided her with comprehensive training in board governance and she is scheduled to commence a position as a board member of an active NGO.

Ecole Polytechnique Commemorative Award PHD - Laura Magnussen

Concordia University

"Visual Testimony: Communicating Impacts of Trauma on Survivors of Sexual Violence Through Artistic Production."
Through the creation and dissemination of visual testimony, I aim to deepen social understanding of gender-based violence, expanding how we recognize, interpret, and respond to survivors' experiences—offering new ways for survivors to be not only heard but seen.

Ecole Polytechnique Commemorative Award Masters - Jasper Crockford

University of Calgary

Jasper was the Charitable Trust speaker at the CFUW National Annual General Meeting in July 2025.

"Menopause and Brain Aging: Investigating the Association of Post Menopausal Estradiol Decline, Hormone therapy, and Risk Matters of Alzheimer's Disease."

BIO:
Jasper is pursuing a Master of Science in Medical Science and a Doctor of Medicine at the University of Calgary through the Leaders in Medicine Program. Her research investigates how postmenopausal changes in estrogen levels and the use of menopause hormone therapy may be linked to early clinical and biological risk markers of Alzheimer's disease.

Globally, women account for nearly two-thirds of all Alzheimer's disease cases, yet the reasons behind this disparity remain underexplored. One potential factor is estrogen, a hormone that plays a vital role in supporting memory, mood, and the clearance of harmful proteins related to Alzheimer's disease. After menopause, estrogen levels drop significantly, which may mark a period of heightened vulnerability to Alzheimer's disease. Jasper's research seeks to establish whether menopause represents a critical window for dementia prevention and support the development of personalized approaches to risk assessment and care for postmenopausal women.

Jasper is committed to advancing women's health through evidence-based, patient-centered research. Her passion for this work is grounded in her volunteer experiences with the Alzheimer Society and local women's health clinics, where she has seen firsthand the need for research that reflects the lived

experiences of postmenopausal women. She aspires to become a physician-scientist, bridging clinical care, research, and public education to improve outcomes for women across the lifespan. Her contributions have been recognized through a range of local, provincial, and national awards.

Indigenous Women's Award - Rachelle Grabarczyk

University of British Columbia

"Advancing Metis Rights and Self Governance: Evaluating the Role of Modern Treaties in Strengthening Metis Communities."
I am a proud citizen of Métis Nation–Saskatchewan and a 2026 Juris Doctor candidate … Alongside my legal studies, I work as a research assistant with the Faculty of Medicine at the University of British Columbia on the Linguistic Indicators of Framing Tool, a project focused on reducing the negative framing of Indigenous Peoples in academic literature.

Elizabeth & Rachel Massey Award - Sandy Marcotte

Royal Academy of Music, London, England "Program Development of Her Repertoire of Second Clarinet and Bass Clarinet Auditions in establishing a portfolio."
Sandy has performed internationally in Canada, the USA, France, Norway, and Germany. Currently she is a Pathways Fellow with the London Symphony Orchestra (2025–26) and a postgraduate student at the Royal Academy of Music in London. She is a graduate of the Conservatoire de Musique de Québec.

Dr. Margaret McWilliams Pre-Doctoral Fellowship - Alexis Genereaux- Guidi

University of British Columbia

"Advancements in Terahertz Spectroscopy for Effective Bio-Characterization."
"I aim to characterize biological samples, such as tissue, in an effort to deepen our knowledge of the human body and contribute to advancing early cancer detection techniques".

Memorial Fellowship - Ella Walsh

University of Waterloo

"Enabling Magnetic Sensing for Surgical Continuum Robots."
"As minimally invasive surgical tool designs become smaller, surgeries become less invasive, but the control of these slender tools becomes increasingly challenging.

Linda Souter Humanities Award - Lauren Stoyles

Carleton University

Lauren will be the speaker at the Charitable Trust Annual General Meeting on Saturday, October 4 at 1 p.m.

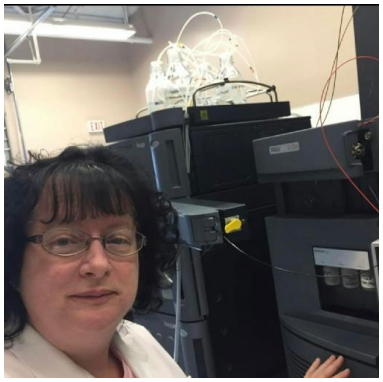
"Where Are the Working Women? Curating Women's Labour Histories in Canada's Natural History Museums."

BIO:

Since she was a toddler running around the London Children's Museum in a dinosaur costume, Lauren Stoyles has been a "museum person". Stoyles completed her undergraduate degree in History at Huron University College in 2024 while running an antique printing studio and working as a historical interpreter at a living history site. She is now pursuing a Master's degree in Public History at Carleton University where her research centres women's labour in museums.

Through interviews and archival research, Stoyles seeks to uncover how collaborative curation shapes our perception of histories of women's work. Better understanding these practices allows us not only to improve the historical narratives that museums share about women's labour but also to improve the working conditions for the women curators who tell these stories.

Dr. Alice E. Wilson Award PHD - Judith MacInnis



Memorial University

"Characterization and Applications of Calcium Rich Crab Shell Biochar."
Judy is actively involved in STEM outreach for girls and underrepresented groups and is a passionate advocate for Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, Indigenization, and Accessibility (EDIIA).

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Dr. Alice E. Wilson Award PHD – Frisha Nafeh

University of Toronto

"Evaluating Long Term Health and Socio-Economic Outcomes Associated with Safe Supply Programs in Toronto."
"I deeply care about equity and my work seeks to make health services more inclusive, accessible, and responsive to the needs of underserved populations".

Dr Alice E. Wilson Award Masters - Thembelihle Moyo

University of British Columbia

"Letters to My Predators."
"I am working on a hybrid memoir titled "Letters to My Predator." This project is a journey of healing and liberation, not just for me, but for others who have faced similar challenges … To all the girls who went into the woods and came out different, this is for us."

Dr. Alice E. Wilson Award Masters - Laura Semenuk

Queens University

"Comprehensive Analysis for the Faster Diagnosis and Treatment of Leukemia and Myeloid Neoplasms."
… develop genetic testing methods that provide rapid, cost-effective, and a complete assessment of the genetic underpinnings of a patient's cancer: identifying biomarkers that inform the diagnosis, prognosis, and optimal treatments for that patient, advancing personalized precision medicine.

The Fellowships Committee—2024-2025

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CFUW Calgary

Welcome to Carolina Soulie, member of Montreal Lakeshore UWC who joins the committee in 2025-26.

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