

MEDIA ADVISORY

Date sent: June 16, 2009
Date of event: June 18 and 19, 2009

Algonquin Convocation: 2,000 graduates, 5 guest speakers, 2 days of celebration

More than 2,000 of the 5,500-strong Algonquin College spring graduating class will attend Convocation ceremonies at Scotiabank Place on Thursday, June 18, and Friday, June 19. Algonquin College President Robert Gillett will preside over the presentation of degrees, diplomas and certificates at five separate ceremonies. In recognition of lifetime achievement and service to the Ottawa community, Algonquin will bestow an Honorary Diploma on David Wallace, Former Regional Vice President and Managing Director, Eastern and Northern Ontario BMO Harris Private Banking.

Thursday, June 18, 10:00 a.m.
School of Health and Community Studies

Keynote Speaker:
Rena Bowen, Director, Special Services, Almonte General Hospital;
President of the Algonquin College Alumni Association

Thursday, June 18, 3:00 p.m.
School of Hospitality and Tourism
Police and Public Safety Institute

Keynote Speaker:
Jim Durrell, Chair of the Board, Ottawa Congress Centre, former Mayor of Ottawa

Thursday, June 18, 7:30 p.m.
School of Business

Keynote Speaker & Honorary Diploma Recipient:
David Wallace, Former Vice President and Managing Director, Eastern and Northern Ontario BMO Harris Private Banking

Friday, June 19, 10:00 a.m.
School of Advanced Technology
School of Transportation and Building Trades
School of Part-time Studies

Keynote Speaker:
Steve Barkhouse, President of Amsted Construction

Friday, June 19, 3:00 p.m.
Faculty of Arts, Media and Design

Keynote Speaker:
Jim Orban, Publisher, the *Ottawa Citizen*.

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