

## **E-Newsletter**

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Hello QAAL members, partners, and friends,

**Welcome to QAAL 2006,** a very exciting year as we celebrate our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The party began back in October when we launched our series

"Looking Back...Going Forward" under the theme of learning through art with Seeing the World Feelingly: The Poetics of Mentoring with Special Guest Di Brandt. Next came Music for Learning and Healing with Denise Llewellyn in November and we wrapped up 2005 at our Holiday Social with Jazz singer Vivian Deane accompanied by Tim Jackson. Everyone lucky enough to attend these uplifting evenings was unanimous in their praise. Why,

Holiday Celebration

who knew that Sam Boskey is a fine jazz pianist himself and Patricia Delaney sings fine Broadway musicals?



Arpi Hamalian & Leah Moss

**In November,** two of our Board Directors, Arpi Hamalian and Leah Moss brought QAAL to learning assessment and recognition. This is a hot topic these days as governments struggle to integrate much needed immigrant talent into the workforce in Canada and Quebec.

Adult Learner's Week April 1-8, 2006 **April brings the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Quebec Adult Learners' Week** and our committee is planning a very special event in partnership with the Literacy Centre, The Quebec Literacy Working Group (QLWG), and Laubach Literacy Canada Quebec-Literacy Volunteers of Quebec (LLCQ-LVQ). We hope to see many of you at this celebration of literacy at the Blue Metropolis April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006. Watch for more information as it becomes available.

All these uplifting activities will culminate in the *pièce de résistance* on May 8<sup>th</sup> in the faculty club at Concordia University. QAAL Patron of Honour, the Honourable Lise Thibault, Lieutenant Governor of Quebec has accepted our invitation to greet



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you and share her words of wisdom with us all. Expect many other entertaining, informative activities. You will "Look Back" at the history of QAAL and "Go Forward" with us into our next 25 years. I can't wait to see all of you there. You the QAAL members have kept our organization going through 25 years. This is your celebration; please come and celebrate together with your board and staff, special guests, partners and friends.

## Coming soon $\rightarrow$ QAAL's NEW Website...

May 8th, 2006

QAAL's 25th Anniversary Celebration.

Please mark your calendars.
We hope to see you there.

Why not consider giving a contribution to the *QAAL Scholarship Fund* on behalf of an adult learner you know? It's easy to do – and is a thoughtful way of spreading the joy and celebrating the importance of lifelong learning. Just fill out the form below, enclose your check, and send it to us – we'll do the rest.

A gift of *membership in QAAL* is also a considerate gift for that special adult in your life. Use the form below today and that special someone will soon be receiving a membership pin, up-to-date information on our workshops and activities, and copies of our newsletter – all thanks to you!

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I wish to support QAAL with a donation to:	
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QAAL Scholarship Fund	Other (special projects)