

## Dr. Eric Jackman Institute of Child Study

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## New name & expansion strengthens future

new wing in the Institute's expanded

#### Largest gift ever made in Canada to early development and childhood education by Institute alumnus

2011 marks a very exciting year. Not only are we celebrating our 85th anniversary, but we have recently received two landmark gifts that will truly transform the Institute.

On December 2nd, 2010 the University of Toronto announced that Dr. Fric Jackman donated \$5 million to the Institute of Child Study – the largest gift in Canada for early development and childhood education. At an evening reception at Simcoe Hall that same day it was announced that Margaret and Wallace McCain donated \$3 million to the Institute. In recognition of Dr. Jackman's gift, U of T has renamed the 85-year-old Institute of Child Study the Dr. Eric Jackman Institute of Child Study (Jackman ICS), which is part of the University's Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE). The planned facility, the Margaret and Wallace McCain Pavilion, at Jackman ICS, is named for Margaret and Wallace McCain in recognition of their generous gift to the University.

The Dr. Eric Jackman Institute of Child Study, with its tripartite mission, is one of the few places in the world to integrate advanced research, leading graduate teacher training and a demonstration model of practical elementary schooling, all in one place.

"Dr. Jackman's gift demonstrates his firm belief in the Institute's unique and integrated approach to the study of human development, family dynamics and childhood education," said U of T President David Naylor. "We are already a leader in this area. With Eric Jackman's support, we can build on these strong foundations, continue to innovate, and develop best practices that will improve outcomes of early childhood education for children and families everywhere."

Founded in 1925-26, the Institute and

its Lab School have exerted a profound influence on early the research.



Date: May 14, 2011

**Time: 7:30pm** 

**Place: University College** 

**U of T Campus** 

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"I am pleased to be able to make a financial contribution to one of my lifelong interests – the understanding of early human development, and to enlightening educators and parents alike to the very best child-rearing and educational practices," said Dr. Eric Jackman. "I believe that supporting the Institute, one of the original child study centres in North America with which I have a personal connection, will enhance our knowledge of how we develop and learn."

After completing his B.A. and M.A. at U of T, Eric Jackman earned a doctoral degree in human development and psychology at the University of Chicago, where he did early field work at the continued on page 2

education. Institute research led directly to the adoption of the Ontario Day Nurseries Act in 1942. Almost 70 years later, the Institute continues to lead the way. Ontario's recently announced Full-Day Early Learning Kindergarten program was was modeled in part on Institute researchers' findings and recommendations from



Sara and Eric Jackman at the gift announcement ceremony

## Two landmark gifts will transform Institute's future

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University of Chicago Laboratory School. Dr. Jackman was an award-winning clinical psychologist in the United States before returning to Toronto, and currently serves as President of the Psychology Foundation of Canada. Dr. Jackman is Chancellor Emeritus of the University of Windsor. Among his many honours are the CMHA C.M. Hincks National Award for Mental Health, Canada's 125th Anniversary Commemorative Medal, Her Majesty's Golden Jubilee Medal, the Order of Ontario, and he has been recognized by

three Ontario universities with honorary doctor of laws degrees.

A community leader, Dr. Jackman, together with his wife Sara Jackman, has combined a passion for the arts

Edward Jackman and Senator Nancy Ruth – all attended what is now known as The Laboratory School at the Dr. Eric Jackman Institute of Child Study.

The Hon. Margaret Norrie McCain, former

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and education with tireless dedication to family well-being. Dr. Eric Jackman and his three siblings – Chancellor Emeritus (U of T) Hal Jackman, the Rev. Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick, has been a powerful advocate for Canadian families and women's rights, and she continues to be a dedicated champion for early childhood development. In 1999, Mrs. McCain joined Dr. Fraser Mustard in co-authoring the Early Years Study and in 2007 she coauthored the Early Years Study 2: Putting Science into Action. These two powerful reports for Ontario describe what our society needs to effectively support young children and families. A renewed Dr. Eric Jackman Institute of Child Study is being expanded to address many of these needs and provide leadership for parents, teachers and other professionals.

The Margaret and Wallace McCain Pavilion, added to the back of the Institute's Leighton G. McCarthy House (on Walmer Road), will face Spadina Road and will feature a large multi-purpose

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 $\label{thm:condition} {\it Dr. Eric Jackman with Lab School students Jesse Wilson (left) and Kaitlyn Lee (right)}$ 

### Celebrating 85 years of early development and education...

1925 - 26

Institute of Child Study and its St. George's School established at the University of Toronto by Dr. William Blatz who served as Director until 1960 1944

Professional graduate teacher training program established at ICS (Diploma program)

1953

ICS moves to McCarthy House (including St. George's School and Windy Ridge) 199

The Laidlaw Foundation donates \$1 million endowment to establish the **Dr. R.G.N. Laidlaw Centre** at ICS in support of child development and education research

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auditorium/gymnasium, seminar rooms and modern classrooms to better serve the Institute's graduate program, Lab School, and Dr. R.G.N. Laidlaw Research Centre. The McCain Pavilion will allow the Dr. Eric Jackman Institute of Child Study to open its doors to serve Toronto families for best-practice teaching and family learning, as well as



Margaret and Wallace McCain

welcome the broader education

community and related disciplines. Additional programming will be undertaken in partnership with governments, public school boards and professional and community agencies.

#### ...\$1.2 million left to reach our goal of \$12 million

The Jackman ICS Building Campaign, which is an expansion and renovation project, has just begun its public and final phase.



For more information please contact:

Robin Farb, Advancement & Capital Campaign Director 416-934-4515, robin.farb@utoronto.ca

Or please visit our website at: http://uoft.me/ejicsbuildingcampaign

#### 1997

Master of Arts (MA) Program in Child Study and Education at ICS replaces Diploma program

#### 2010 - 2011

ICS renamed **Dr. Eric Jackman Institute of Child Study**, and
celebration of 85th Anniversary
at U of T

#### Canada's Governor General visits Lab School's Integrated Kindergarten

On the occasion of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, David Johnston, Canada's Governor General, along with the Honourable David C. Onley, Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, visited Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital, Canada's largest children's rehabilitation teaching hospital, fully affiliated with the University of Toronto.

Their Excellencies and Their Honours toured the state-of-the-art building, with a special visit to the Bloorview School Authority's Integrated Kindergarten program, offered in partnership with The Laboratory School at the Dr. Eric Jackman Institute of Child Study.

The goals of the Bloorview/Lab School partnership is to promote confidence, self-esteem and self-advocacy in children with disabilities, to address stereotyping and discriminatory behaviour in others and to prepare students with physical disabilities for successful integration.

The program is designed to encourage inclusion for special needs children by promoting their understanding of equity, fair play and diversity. The children learn to be leaders, helpers, problem solvers, mediators and responsible citizens.



Canada's Governor General, David Johnston, visits students in the Jackman ICS/Bloorview Integrated Kindergarten Program

# Celebrating 85 years of early development and education

## Mark your spring calendar for more 85th Anniversary Events:

Thursday, April 7, 2011, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

2011 Leighton G. McCarthy Memorial Lecture

**Guest Speaker:** Alison Gopnik, Child Study Center, University of California at Berkeley

How do children learn from others: Imitation, observation and learning how the world works

Please check the Jackman ICS website for details: www.oise.utoronto.ca/ics

Tuesday, May 10, 2011, 4:30 p.m.

## **Environmental Education** *Natural Curiosity*

Launch of the Jackman ICS publication of NATURAL CURIOSITY, a teacher's resource for Environmental Education Inquiry with children

Please check the Jackman ICS website for details: www.oise.utoronto.ca/ics

Saturday, May 28 - 29, 2011

#### **Doors Open Toronto**

The Jackman ICS McCarthy House, the Annex landmark at 45 Walmer Road, will be included in the City of Toronto's annual Doors Open Toronto — one weekend, once a year — when 150 buildings of architectural, historic, cultural and social significance open their doors to the public for a city-wide celebration.

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### Join us...

The Dr. Eric Jackman Institute of Child Study invites you to an evening of **Celebration** and **Reunion** 



...reunite with friends, classmates, teachers and faculty

...hear about our future expansion plans

...have an opportunity to name your very own seat in the new auditorium

Date: Saturday, May 14, 2011

Reception (hors d'oeuvres will be served)

**Time:** 7:30 - 11:00 p.m.

**Place:** University College, U of T Campus

15 King's College Circle, Toronto

**Cost:** \$25/person includes one complimentary drink ticket (cash bar)

**How to register:** Tickets can be purchased online through our website:

#### www.oise.toronto.ca/ics

If you have any questions about the 85th Anniversary Celebration please contact: Jeannie Tam, 416-934-4526

Please register by: May 6, 2011

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To avoid disappointment, please register early - tickets to be available at the door only if space permits.