



Senator Vivienne Poy – Senator Vivienne Poy is an entrepreneur, author, historian, and fashion designer. She earned her PhD in history from the University of Toronto; graduated from St. Paul’s Co-educational college; completed an Honours B.A. in History from McGill; and received a Diploma in Fashion Arts from Seneca College. In 1998, Vivienne was the first Canadian of Asian origin appointed to the Senate. Within the senate, she was integral in the movement to recognize the month of May as Asian Heritage Month. In May of 2002, the Government of Canada declared the celebratory month in a formal ceremony. From 2003 to 2006, Vivienne was Chancellor of the University of Toronto, and is active in many community and cultural organizations.



Baljit Sethi – Baljit Sethi is the founder and executive director of the Immigrant and Multicultural Services Society of Prince George. The Society provides settlement services, multicultural programs, and actively promotes multiculturalism and equality. Baljit earned her Bachelors in Education, a Master’s of Arts, and a Guidance and Counselling diploma in her home country of Pakistan. In the course of her 40-year career, Baljit has received the Order of British Columbia and the Paul Yuzyk award for Multiculturalism in the lifetime achievement category.