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**Bernice Adams Award finalists announced
Awards slated to be presented on May 23, 2008**

Cambridge, Ontario. May 15, 2008...The short list of finalists has been unveiled by the City of Cambridge's Cultural Arts Committee for the prestigious Bernice Adams Award and it includes a line up of familiar and not so familiar artisans.

And the 2008 finalists are...

VISUAL ARTS

- Ann Harvey
- Jane Hook
- Tiina Price
- Laurie Wonfor Nolan

PERFORMING ARTS

- Michele Hopkins
- Marion Smith
- Laurel Thody

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- Ted Boyd
- Bob Fox
- Greg Hayton
- Wendy Visser

MUSIC

- Cambridge Community Orchestra
- Mill Race Festival
- Tessie Ruddy
- Greg Upshaw

OUTSTANDING YOUTH

- Andrew McCormick-Johnson
- Elysha Schuhbauer
- Steven Traves
- Brandon White

Mr. Stuart Summerhaye has been named the 2008 recipient of the Special Trustees Award. It is presented to an individual or group who is deserving of recognition because the value and importance of their contribution in two or more categories. The trustees also consider the contribution through volunteer work and the overall impact.

This year marks the 26th Annual Bernice Adams Awards Night. "This evening celebrates many talented people in our community who have made an outstanding contribution to the development of arts and culture in Cambridge," says Jim King, Commissioner of Community Services.

All finalists are recognized and award recipients are announced during the Bernice Adams Memorial Awards Night to be held on Friday May 23, 2008 beginning at 6:30pm at the Galt Country Club, 750 Coronation Blvd, in Cambridge. Tickets are \$25 and include light refreshments, entertainment and a fundraising silent auction. All proceeds raised help to support the Bernice Adams Memorial Awards Trust Fund. For tickets, visit the Cambridge Centre for the Arts located on 60 Dickson Street, or call 519.622.9676. Hurry to get your tickets as this event has sold out in past years.

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The City of Cambridge is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. It is strategically located astride highway 401 in Southwestern Ontario, part of Canada's Technology Triangle. In 2007, the population reached over 125,000 people with a multicultural mix and a strong foundation of support services. Cambridge has a diverse economic base with leading industries in manufacturing, automotive, high technology, pharmaceutical, business and financial services and hospitality/retail. The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is an employer with a work environment that offers the opportunity to provide service to the community through creativity and innovation, and with opportunities for career growth and advancement.

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