

Canada's former auditor general Sheila Fraser to be honoured at King's Convocation

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King's convocation ceremonies on June 10th will celebrate the achievements of 624 new graduates from across Canada and from 14 countries. During the convocation at Alumni Hall, Western, they will hear a special message from Honorary Degree recipient Sheila Fraser.

Fraser will be accepting her Doctor of Laws, honoris causa (LL.D) from Western. She served as auditor general of Canada from 2001 – 2011, the first woman to hold this position. During her term, Fraser issued several highly publicized reports, including the 2003 sponsorship program audit. Before her political posting, she enjoyed a successful career with Ernst & Young, where she became a partner in 1981.

Convocation will also recognize King's Associate Professor of History, Dr. Alison Meek, who will be presented to the Chancellor Emeritus as the recipient of the King's University College Award of Excellence in Teaching by Full-Time Faculty. Dr. Meek joined the faculty at King's in 2001 and has been on the Dean's Honor Roll of Teaching Excellence every year since her arrival.

Dr. Diane Humphrey from the Department of Psychology will be presented to the Chancellor Emeritus who will confer the status of Professor Emerita. Dr. Humphrey is renowned as a strong teacher and researcher, primarily in the area of aesthetics and perception. The recognition of Professor Emerita is for professors who retire after having completed a minimum of five years of full-time academic service as a tenured professor at King's. Dr. Humphrey joined the faculty at King's in 1988 and was promoted to the rank of Full Professor in 2009.

The convocation begins at 3 p.m., Alumni Hall, Western. It is preceded by an Awards Brunch at King's at 10:15 a.m., a procession of graduates and a mass at Labatt Hall, King's campus, 266 Epworth Ave at 11:45 a.m. The mass and the convocation ceremony will be live streamed at www.kings.uwo.ca/convocation

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