

# The Mayor's Luncheon for Business & the Arts

## *Partnerships between business and the arts celebrated at luncheon*

### **Mayor's Luncheon for Business & the Arts a smashing success!**

The 2006 Mayor's Luncheon for Business & the Arts was held at The Hyatt Regency Calgary. Representatives from Calgary's corporate sector and creative communities came together to celebrate creative partnerships in the 13th edition of the annual event.

Artists were recognized with three awards: the Enbridge Emerging Artist Awards, the TELUS Award for Artistic Innovation and the EPCOR Established Arts Award. Corporations were honored for their support of the arts in two categories, Innovative Support for a particularly inventive partnership and Sustained Support, acknowledging longterm support that has made a significant impact.

Hosts Dave Kelly and Cory Mack lead the packed house through the ceremony and multimedia presentation honoring all of the 39 nominees.

### *The 2006 Awards went to:*

**Terrance Houle** – recipient of the Enbridge Emerging Artists Award  
Exhibiting works locally, nationally and internationally Terrance Houle is a prime example of excellence in the Calgary arts community, both as practicing artist, and community minded advocate for the arts.

**Doug Curtis** – recipient of the Telus Innovative Arts Award. Doug's unique storytelling style of playwriting has resulted not only in the creation of a large number of award-winning plays but has benefited his colleagues, students and people suffering from Parkinson's Disease. Much like his playwriting style, Doug's talent as an innovator is deceptively simple. Every challenge becomes another artistic opportunity.

**Mount Royal College Conservatory** – recipient of the EPCOR Established Artist Award Founded in 1910, The Mount Royal College Conservatory has built an international reputation for the excellent of its instruction in the performing arts, and continues to serve the Calgary community through its programs in music, theatre and spoken arts.

**Alliance Pipeline** – recipient of the Patron Award Innovative Support (nominated by the Calgary International Children's Festival) Alliance Pipelines Ltd. has enriched the lives of thousands of young people through Calgary International

Children's Festival. It even developed its own program to ensure high needs schools can attend.

**Enbridge Inc** – recipient of the Patron Award Sustained Support (nominated by Alberta Ballet, Alberta Theatre Projects and Theatre Junction) With Enbridge's continued support, the Alberta Ballet will continue to soar in our pursuit creating beautiful engaging and relevant ballet for the communities of Calgary, Edmonton and beyond.