



# The Canadian Disability Hall of Fame

## 2015 Inductees

### **Lauren Barwick, Athlete**

Top ranked equestrian Lauren Barwick, representing Canada at the international level for more than 12 years, has won more medals at Major games than any other Canadian athlete. This remarkable record includes gold and silver at the 2008 Paralympics, finishing in the top Six at both the 2010 FEI World Equestrian and 2012 Paralympic Games. Mostly recently, she received Canada's only medals, a silver and bronze, at the 2014 AllTech FEI World Games and has also added Para-Dressage to her accomplishments. But more than that, Lauren gives back to the sport 100 per cent, giving clinics, attending fundraisers, and tirelessly training youth as a Parelli 4 star instructor.

### **Bernard Gluckstein, Builder**

Celebrated personal injury lawyer and King Clancy Award winner, Bernard Gluckstein has worked tirelessly to advance the causes of the disabled, particularly those with Brain Injuries. His firm, Gluckstein Lawyers, has sponsored numerous events for the Ontario Brain Injury Association, of which he is a founding director. In addition, he has combined his love of photography with his desire to support the Paralympics by becoming an accredited photographer, since 1981, a remarkable record, which has continued through the 2012 London Summer Paralympics.

### **Rick Mercer, Achiever**

The CBC's Rick Mercer, arguably Canada's best-loved political satirist, is not only an Officer of the Order of Canada but is also a King Clancy Award winner from the Canadian Foundation for Physically Disabled Persons. He has been tireless in his promotion of Paralympic athletes, taking it on as a special mission to bring their abilities to Canadians' attention. He has trained with them, played with them, broadcast their victories, even having split his nose open training with visually impaired swimmer Donovan Tildesley. All that Rick does is in the name of his deep love for his country and his people—but he does it with humour that makes him deeply loved in return by millions of Canadians.

