



The Institute of Textile Science

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The Institute of Textile Science, formed in 1955 and incorporated in 1956, is pleased to invite you to our remarkable milestone, the 100th Scientific Session, 49th AGM and 50th Anniversary Celebration in Mississauga on 25 August 2006. The programs and registration documents are attached for your perusal. Enjoy these subsidized events! Explore our prodigious programs at our website **textilescience.ca!**

ITS BoDs: Our Board of Directors has provided a dedicated leadership to initiate and stimulate our farsighted programs and turn challenges into opportunities. They encompass: organizing scientific sessions, welcoming 2 new members, awarding the ITS Science Award and Honorary Membership to Prof. Keith Slater, membership survey, resolving Textile Journal's long standing loan, restructuring membership fee, appointing nominating committee and awarding bursaries and scholarships during the 197th - 202nd BoD's Meetings. Due to declining membership and poor participation, your board decided to organize one scientific session per year instead of two technical sessions. Voice your view, vision and advice!

ITS Awards: Since 1971, the Institute of Textile Science has awarded 9 Science Awards and 35 Fellowships for outstanding professional contributions and services to further the fields of textiles.

The 99th Technical Session: "Coated and Laminated Textiles" featured five insightful presentations, hosted by DuPont, Kingston on October 19th 2005. We appreciate your participations and interactions.

Nomination Committee: ITS BoDs has appointed the Nomination Committee. Nominations are now open. Please contact us should you wish to serve or nominate someone. The existing Board will continue to serve until the Nominating Committee appoints new executives.

The 59th Textile Federation Canada Meeting: ITS reported its recent activities at the 59th TFC Meeting, Hilton Airport Hotel, Montreal, 8 May 2006. TFC has now revised and restructured its bylaws.

Treasurer's Report: The auditor's 2005 financial report is available for your review. We have a significant saving investment to lead a promising future facing the challenging time ahead.

The 100th Scientific Session: 'Emerging Textile Innovations' will feature three pioneering presentations to enhance our continuous learning. Ask questions. We appreciate your interactions. Explore and enjoy!

The 50th Anniversary Celebration: We are delighted to present textile pioneer Prof. Keith Slater, CText FTI as a keynote guest speaker during our evening Gala Dinner. Meet a milestone! Do NOT miss it!

The 49th AGM: Like the textile industry and the other sister organizations, we have been facing many challenges. Our By-Laws should embrace these challenges. To turn these challenges into opportunities, we welcome your thoughts – how we can restructure your programs and excel for excellence.

I appreciate your wonderful support and great cooperation. You drove ITS for 50 years! Congratulations! It is our great pleasure to be a part of this joyful journey with you. Bring your fresh ideas and enthusiasm! 'You must be the change you want to see in the world!' Weaving a cross-cultural social fabric and integrating innovations in a new textile economy is a challenging opportunity! Together, we all can make a difference! Hope to see you in Mississauga! We look forward to stimulating visionary programs!

Sincerely,

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The gift of imagination has meant more to me than my talent for absorbing absolute knowledge - Albert Einstein