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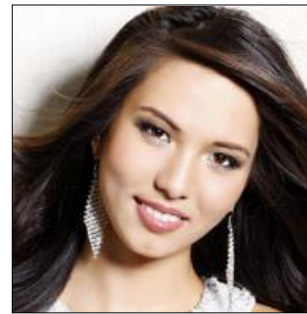
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## Seven Millennium Scholarship Winners at Vanier College

Vanier College is proud to announce that seven Vanier students have won 2009 Millennium Scholarships. Tingjia Lorigiano has won a Millennium Provincial Scholarship worth \$20,500. Six other graduating Vanier students won Millennium Scholarships worth \$4,500 each: Assain Bibi, Hilal Kuspinar, Weijia Li, Katherine Macdonald, Marino Vasantharajah, and Jamie Webber.

Millennium Awards recognize academic excellence, leadership skills, innovative thinking, and engagement in extracurricular activities. All the winning students are committed to their community and involved in school activities. They are without doubt the leaders of tomorrow.

Tingjia Lorigiano who is in Health Science, is a member of the Vanier Key Society as well as founding President of the Math Club, and volunteers at a hospital and retirement home. A glowing combination of beauty and brains, Tingjia was crowned Miss Chinese Montreal 2008, and received a \$2,000 Loran Award, this year.



Assain Bibi (Biomedical Science), wants to study medicine or biology at university, is a passionate supporter of human rights who works to promote tolerance in her community and volunteers at the fair trade organization Ten Thousand Villages.

Hilal Kuspinar (Health Science), plans to study Law at Université de Montréal and specialize in International Law. She has volunteered at a fair trade organization, a local CLSC, the Montreal General Hospital, and Maimonides Geriatrics Hospital. She has also been president of the Vanier Model United Nations club and is an English tutor.

Weijia Li (Health Science), volunteers at a Montreal hospital and plans to study Medicine at McGill. She has acted as an ambassador for Vanier College during college events, welcomed the public, including prospective students, helped organize campus activities, and tutored students in mathematics.

Marino Vasantharajah (Biomedical Science), is a member of the Vanier Key Society for high achieving students, a peer tutor, and a co-winner of the Alan Liddiard Award for student contribution.

Jamie Webber (Double DEC Science & Music), participated in the Vanier AIDS in Africa campaign and travelled to Malawi in 2008. He plans to study neuroscience at McGill University and ultimately hopes to complete an MD-PhD which couples a medical degree with a research doctorate.