

# □ **The Shortlist:** **Champions of the Arts** □

## **Ian Hodkinson**

Ian Hodkinson has been a long-time supporter of the arts both in Kingston and abroad. Educated at Edinburgh University, the Edinburgh College of Art, and the Central Institute for Restoration in Rome, Ian established the Master of Art Conservation Program at Queen's University, where he was Director until his retirement in 1995. Ian's work over the years has been heavily involved in the promotion of other artists and he currently sits as the Vice-President of the Modern Fuel Artist-Run Centre.

## **Kingston Publications**

Mary Laflamme and her team at Kingston Publications have been committed to encouraging Kingstonians and visitors alike to discover and delight in our multi-faceted and sophisticated city. Their publications provide intelligent and informative editorials through a family of specialized publications including *Kingston Life Magazine*.

## **K-ROCK 105.7FM**

Since the first beat hit the airwaves in early 2001, K-Rock 105.7 has been proudly committed to the promotion of local artists and musicians in the area. K-Rock has developed programs to provide a platform for emerging artists such as K-Rock's Band Slam and the Joe Chithalen Musical Instrument Lending Library, and are media sponsors for the Big Sister's Art Auction and the Limestone City Blues Festival.

## **Kingston Symphony Orchestra Association**

Celebrating its 50th season in 2004, the Kingston Symphony Association is the umbrella organization for five performing ensembles: the Kingston Symphony Orchestra, the Kingston Choral Society, the Kingston Youth Orchestra, the Kingston Junior Strings, and the Kingston Community Strings. The Symphony Association continues to increase its involvement in training young people and providing them with performance opportunities. It is dedicated to the musical development of greater Kingston and to providing opportunities for life-long learning in music.

## **The Kingston Whig-Standard**

Fred Laflamme and his team at *The Kingston Whig-Standard* have been committed to helping community groups and events by assisting more than 30 major non-profit and charitable causes each year. Their contribution to the arts and cultural community in Kingston has consisted of both financial, volunteer time and in-kind support to groups such as H'art Studios, The Grand Theatre, Kingston Canadian Film Festival and the Kingston Buskers Rendezvous to name just a few.