



# 12th annual condo conference

October 31st to November 1st, 2008

Hilton Suites  
Toronto/Markham Conference Centre & Spa  
8500 Warden Avenue, Markham, ON L6G 1A5

The 12th Annual CCI/ACMO Joint Condominium Conference was held on October 31st and November 1st, 2008 at the Markham Hilton Suites Hotel. It turned out that the new venue and the overlap of the conference with Hallowe'en were both great hits, as we experienced our highest attendance turnout to date, and excellent feedback on the location of the new facilities.

The conference was officially launched on the morning of October 31st with a welcome speech presented by the Honourable Michael Bryant, Minister of Economic Development. The room was filled to capacity with delegates eager to hear his message and begin two days of learning and networking. This year's theme of "Building Better Values" was extended into many of the session topics spread over the two-day period. The performance on early Saturday morning by Canadian comedian and satirist, Ron James was another

highlight of the conference. Ron had the venue packed and the audience rolling with laughter – not an easy feat at 8:30 on the morning following the CCI National "Hallowe'en Hoedown" which took place at the hotel on October 31st! We extend our sincere appreciation to the 62 speakers and moderators who participated this year and all the committee members from both CCI and ACMO who contributed countless hours planning for this year's conference.

The wrap-up luncheon and closing session: "The Final and Authoritative Word - Case Law Update", moderated by Mario Deo again served as the 'grande finale' of the conference. Congratulations and thanks to Lisa Kay, for another of her innovative and humorous introductions of the case law panelists.

An integral part of the conference is the trade show and delegates were treated

to the widest ever range of products and services on display. A record 105 exhibitors supported the conference this year. In case you missed any of them, be sure to check the conference website at [www.condoconference.ca](http://www.condoconference.ca) for a full list of exhibitors, along with their contact information.

A sincere thanks is also offered to our conference partner, Rogers Cable. The partnership and commitment Rogers offers toward condominium education through our conference contributes significantly to our ability to offer quality programming each year and their support is truly appreciated.

Mark your calendars now for next year's conference taking place on **Friday, November 6th and Saturday, November 7th, 2009** at the Markham Hilton Suites hotel. We hope to see you there!

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Speaker, Warren Coughlin presents to a filled to capacity audience.



Moderator, Gina Cody leads round table discussions.



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Educational Sessions



Networking Lunch on Saturday November 1st.



Panelists at Sandro, Warren and Bruno's Fascinating World of Condominium Service Contracts.



The Trade Show offered information on the latest products and services available to the industry.



# CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS



FCCI recipient, Harry Herskowitz, with Janice Pynn and Charlie Oliver.



ACMO Past President, Harold Cipin (left) with Minister Michael Bryant (center) and CCI-Toronto Incoming President, Armand Conant.



Comedian and Satirist, Ron James.



CCI National President, Jamie Bleay.



Greg Stokes from Rogers Cable and CCI Toronto President John Warren draw for one of two TVs donated by Rogers.



Charlie Oliver presents Vic Persaud and Ramona Dhari with the prize for best costumes at the CCI National Harvest Hoedown Dinner.



Networking at the CCI National Harvest Hoedown Dinner on October 31st.



Mark Arnold (left) and Brian Horlick (right) -two of the panelists at the closing legal update session.