



**MONTREAL'S BIG NIGHT
THE DAFFODIL
BALL
WELCOMES HIGH-SOCIETY
GUESTS IN TRUE
HOLLYWOOD STYLE**

Canada's largest cancer-related fundraiser, the award-winning Daffodil Ball, did it again for the 14th consecutive year as fashionable flocks of glamorous and powerful people – including newly nominated Liberal Justin Trudeau and his mother-in-law, Estelle Blais-Grégoire – descended on historic Windsor Station for a Hollywood experience.

Designed by the genius impresario Dick Walsh, Daffodilwood initiated the thrill-filled night with snap-happy “paparazzi,” who made everyone feel red-carpet radiant.

After the grand entrances, 680 guests made their way into the heavenly light-flooded mezzanine for champagne cocktails. To everyone's delight, Dick had installed the grandest “Windsor Gallery” – brimming with past and present Tinseltown royalty –

while the master chefs at the Fairmont Queen Elizabeth dished up delicious down-home and haute American classics, including oysters Rockefeller and melt-in-your-mouth fries.

Dinner and dancing were set in lavish surroundings that incorporated a staggering 40,000 fresh daffodils flown in from Scotland, plus 10,000 flashing stars. Patrons were spoiled by a seven-course feast and Oscar-worthy entertainers, including Europe's Goldsingers (who often perform for the high-ranking likes of Monaco's Prince Albert).

The inspirational evening not only celebrated cancer survivors such as Jean Béliveau and Dr. Marla Shapiro, but generated \$2.2 million for the Canadian Cancer Society. Clearly, the 2007 Oscar goes to “The Daffodil.”

— JENNIFER CAMPBELL IN MONTREAL

Flower power, clockwise from opposite, bottom: Nathalie Bissonnette (L) in emerald Loris Azzaro and Diane Vachon in Ralph Lauren couture and Birks diamonds; Jet Films founder/president Richard Speer with girlfriend Jessica Welch in bronze Luca Luca; Justin Trudeau with his radiant mother-in-law, Estelle Blais-Grégoire; former model Stephany Maillery in a Dolce & Gabbana sheath and environmentally friendly recycled fur by Harricana; Dr. Marla Shapiro (L) and daughter Amanda Berger; Tim Horton's co-founder Ron Joyce with lady friends Avie Cook (L) and Sue Nemeck.

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