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On behalf of the Canadian-Croatian Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors and our valued members, it is our pleasure to welcome you to the 23rd Annual Taste of Croatia Golf Tournament at Glen Eagle Golf Club!

We are delighted to have you join us for another memorable day celebrating Croatian culture, friendship, business, and community. Today is about much more than golf - it is an opportunity to reconnect with familiar faces, welcome new friends, enjoy great Croatian inspired food and beverages, and strengthen the relationships that make our community so special.

Year after year, we are proud to see this tournament continue to grow. We are especially grateful to those who return each year and to everyone joining us for the first time. Whether you are an experienced golfer or simply here to enjoy the day and the company, we hope you feel at home. The relaxed atmosphere, friendly competition, and opportunity to connect are what make this event such a special tradition.

This tournament would not be possible without the tremendous support of our sponsors, golfers, local businesses, volunteers, supporters, and Chamber members. Your generosity and commitment allow us to bring Croatian culture and hospitality to the golf course while creating meaningful opportunities to connect our community.

Since our incorporation in 1995, the Canadian-Croatian Chamber of Commerce has remained committed to strengthening the voice and presence of the Croatian-Canadian business community. Through events like the Taste of Croatia Golf Tournament, we continue to foster business and personal connections, celebrate our heritage, and create opportunities for future generations.

Our motto, "Together, we make success," reflects exactly what this day represents. When our community comes together, we create something truly meaningful - and today is a wonderful example.

Thank you for being part of this year's tournament and for helping us carry this great tradition forward.

Enjoy the golf, savour the flavours of Croatia, and most importantly, enjoy the company!

Cheers to another fantastic Taste of Croatia Golf Tournament!



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ABOUT THE CHAMBER

Founded in 1995, the Canadian-Croatian Chamber of Commerce is a not-for-profit network of Croatian-Canadian individuals, professionals, businesses and organizations that has emerged as the voice of Croatian-Canadian business in Canada.

The Chamber brings together a vibrant and dynamic group of individuals, professionals, businesses and organizations who have developed strategic relationships in both Canadian and Croatian economic, commercial, political, and cultural worlds and is able to draw on these relationships to the benefit of its members.

The Chamber's objectives include:

- Providing networking opportunities both in a social and business setting
- Sponsoring and promoting cultural events, educational lectures, seminars, exhibitions, and conferences on relevant and timely topics
- Acting as a source of information and counsel to government bodies and the public in matters affecting Canada-Croatia business and trade and the Croatian-Canadian community in Canada in general
- Promoting the development of bilateral business relations, trade, and investment opportunities between Canada and Croatia and working with the Embassy of Canada in Croatia, the Croatian Chamber of Economy and other organizations on opportunities that advance our common goals and interests

Beyond the wide variety of benefits that the Chamber offers to its members (including business connections, access to government, professional development), membership increases your business' visibility and exposure in the community.

Your investment represents a commitment to the future growth and development of our whole community.

Together, we make success!

THE CHAMBER'S ACHIEVEMENTS INCLUDE

Business Opportunities

- Providing networking opportunities through business, community and social events
- Connecting members with members to facilitate significant trade and commerce
- Organizing various educational and business related seminars including co-organized (in affiliation with the Canadian-Croatian Business Network and the Croatian Chamber of Economy, both based in Croatia) Croatian trade missions to Canada hosted in Toronto

Youth Involvement

- Supporting our youth through a scholarship and bursary fund developed in conjunction with the Croatian-Canadian Library
- Establishing a mentorship program for Croatian-Canadian post-secondary students and recent graduates
- Placing co-op students with Chamber members
- Establishing the Croatian-Canadian Young Professionals Network to create a collaborative environment where young professionals can grow, lead, and contribute to the continued success of both our local and broader business community

Community Involvement

- Working with and supporting local Croatian organizations and endeavours, including, among others, the Croatian-Canadian Library, various folklore groups, the Croatian Embassy (Ottawa) and the Croatian Consulate (Mississauga), to preserve our common heritage
- Promoting community events and news through our community web portal at www.croat.ca
- Recognizing excellence and leadership in the Croatian-Canadian community through the annual Business Excellence Awards Evening
- Supporting and promoting Croatian-Canadian artists and authors
- Financially contributing to Croatia's demining program and to capital projects in the Croatian community in Canada
- Co-organizing a fundraising campaign and dinner in support of the Vukovar Tower Restoration Project
- Forming the British Columbia and Alberta Chapter of the Canadian-Croatian Chamber of Commerce
- Strengthening global ties through strategic partnerships and collaboration with international organizations such as One Croatia, the Croatian Women's Alliance, and like-minded Chambers and business associations worldwide
- Representing Croatia on the board of the European Union Chamber of Commerce in Canada (EUCCAN)
- Supporting the Peel Regional Police Foundation through co-organization of the Peel Police Chief Invitational Golf Tournament. The Foundation is a nonprofit organization that raises charitable funds to support community partners in their efforts to address the critical needs of Peel Region

Advocacy and Lobbying

- Educating Canadians on our history in Canada through support of historical research and representation at relevant Canadian organizations
- Building ties with Croatia by receiving and hosting Croatian representatives visiting Canada, attending meetings with contacts in Croatia, and presenting at business seminars in Croatia.

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Canadian-Croatian Chamber of Commerce **Youth Mentoring Program**

At the Chamber, we take pride in our ability and commitment to help students of Croatian descent pave their path in life by offering our Youth Mentoring Program to assist in planning for their future.

The Youth Mentoring Program was established to offer post-secondary students with an opportunity to communicate with professionals and entrepreneurs in order to discuss career aspirations, work initiatives, and other career related matters. The program has been extremely well received and has benefited both the students and the Mentor volunteers. Matches are established based on the students' career aspirations, interests, location, and other factors.

Mentors participating in the Youth Mentoring Program are carefully selected individuals who have proven themselves successful in their careers and/or businesses, and who support the endeavours of the program to provide a service of high standards and quality, and are prepared to make time available to assist our youth in making career related decisions.

Should you feel you fit the profile of a Mentor and you would like to get involved in the program, please e-mail the following details to contactus@croat.ca. (name and surname, telephone number, email address, business address, and area of expertise) and we will contact you in due course.



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Croatian-Canadian Scholarship Fund:

Scholarship Award Recipients (2025/2026)

We are pleased to announce that the Croatian-Canadian Scholarship Fund has awarded six (6) scholarships for the 2025/2026 school year. The funds have been awarded in order to help further the education of full-time post-secondary students in Canada.

Congratulations to each of the recipients!



Sabrina Pavliša

\$2,000 Scholarship Award Recipient

Sabrina is a Master of Science in Occupational Therapy student at the University of Toronto. She earned an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from Wilfrid Laurier University before spending several years working and volunteering in developmental and community settings. Deeply committed to mental health, her academic path includes research on emotional regulation in children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and ongoing graduate research examining occupational therapy's role in advancing psychotherapy. Sabrina has maintained consistent A and A+ grades while balancing research, mentorship, clinical training, working part-time, supporting individuals with ASD in residential care, volunteering in pediatric occupational therapy, helping children with complex physical and mental health needs reach meaningful goals. Following graduation, she hopes to practice in pediatric and young adult mental health focusing on supporting young people in acquiring equitable academic accommodations and accessible supports. Outside of school, she enjoys hiking, swimming, and spending time in nature.



Gabrielle Sraka

\$2,000 Scholarship Award Recipient

Gabrielle is a first-year Doctor of Medicine (MD) student at Toronto Metropolitan University, after graduating magna cum laude from McMaster University's Honours Bachelor of Health Sciences program in 2025. She remains actively connected to her Croatian heritage through her parish community, past involvement with Croatian folklore, and volunteer work supporting elderly Croatian patients with translation and clinic navigation. She currently holds roles with the TMU Internal Medicine Interest Group, the Ontario Medical Students Association Bilingualism and Francophone Affairs Committee, and the Take a Pain Check Foundation. Her academic and research interests focus on improving care for patients with rheumatic diseases through clinical research, implementation science, and quality improvement initiatives, as presented at national and international conferences. Gabrielle's long-term goal is to become a clinician-scientist in internal medicine and rheumatology. Outside of school, she enjoys reading and staying active through soccer and field hockey.

The Croatian-Canadian Scholarship Fund is a joint program developed and administered by the Canadian-Croatian Chamber of Commerce and the Croatian-Canadian Library.



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Jessica Tomačić

\$2,000 Scholarship Award Recipient

Jessica is a Master's student in Earth Sciences at the University of Toronto where she researches the first occurrence of the mineral garnet from Mars in collaboration with the Royal Ontario Museum. She graduated with High Distinction from Carleton University with a B.Sc. Honours in Earth Science (Geophysics). Besides academics, Jessica has worked as a Geoscience Research Support Scientist at the Geological Survey of Canada, researching critical minerals important to Canada's economy. Jessica is also a dedicated community leader and outreach advocate, organizing professional events through Women in Mining and delivering earth science workshops for youth across Canada. Growing up she performed tamburica and kolo with the Croatoan Croatian Folklore Ensemble in Ottawa and currently shares her passion for nature and her Croatian heritage online (@jessicartistic) through creating original landscape and architectural paintings.



Alan Milković

\$2,000 Scholarship Award Recipient

Alan is an undergraduate student at the University of Toronto pursuing a B.A.Sc. degree in Electrical Engineering, along with a double minor in Engineering Business & Robotics. Alan has consistently achieved an exceptional academic record, being named to the Dean's Honour List every semester and plans to pursue a research project in electromagnetics for the summer. During the school year Alan enjoys playing intramural sports at U of T. Outside of Academia, Alan has stayed involved in the Croatian community through his participation in the Folklore Ensemble Hrvatsko Prelo as a tamburaš, and active involvement in Croatian soccer. He has played for Croatia Norval and Mississauga Croatia for over 12 years and will continue competing with Mississauga's U21 team. In the future, Alan aspires to use the analytical and technical skills accrued through his time at U of T to develop his career as an Electrical Engineer and obtain his P.Eng certification.



Joseph Vlašić

\$2,000 Ilija and Dragica Smičiklas Scholarship Award Recipient

Joseph is a student in the Masters of Professional Kinesiology program at Brock University, pursuing a career in rehabilitation as a future physio or occupational therapist. He maintained a strong academic record by achieving the Dean's Honour List, and being inducted into the Golden Key International Honour Society. Joseph's involvement in the Croatian community started from a young age, as a parishioner at Holy Cross Croatian Parish, learning how to play the tambura at the Hrvatski Narodni Dom, and playing soccer for Hamilton Croatia. Most recently, he served as Vice-President of the Brock University Croatian Club, and he is an active member in the Croatian band Ponosni Hrvati. His goal is to complete his master's degree and continue developing his clinical skills through training and hands-on experience, ultimately beginning his career in the rehabilitation field.



Mato Brinovac

\$1,500 Bursary Award Recipient

Mato is a first-year student at the University of Calgary who is currently working towards a combined degree of Business and Economics. He has always strived to be the best in each scenario he undergoes as his grit and determination are the defining factors that have made him who he is today. Mato is a consistent member of the Calgary Croatia Sports Club and Croatian Heritage Society where he is able to express his love for his homeland through soccer, folklore, and song, showcasing what pride truly feels like. His perseverance is evident not only through the many athletic achievements awarded to him but also through his consistent grind to do the best in his academics. Mato has always exceeded expectations regardless of the difficulties presented and will continue to do so as he continues his journey through post-secondary.

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Scholarship and bursaries will be awarded to students enrolled in a full-time post-secondary program at a university or college in Canada.

For details about the Croatian-Canadian Scholarship Fund,
please visit www.croat.ca

The application submission deadline for the 2026/2027 school year
is February 8, 2027.

Croatian-Canadian Scholarship Fund

DONOR RECOGNITION LEVELS



KING TOMISLAV (\$100,000+) - King Tomislav was a ruler of Croatia in the Middle Ages. He reigned from 910 until 928, first as Duke of Dalmatian Croatia from 910 until 925, and then he became the first King of the Croatian Kingdom in 925 and reigned until 928. He is celebrated as the founder of the first Croatian state, uniting the Croats of Dalmatia and the Slavs of Pannonia into a single Kingdom. He ruled over the territory of today's Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina, rounding off his state from the Adriatic Sea to the Drava River, and from the Raša River in Istria to the Drina River.



QUEEN JELENA (\$50,000-\$99,999) - Jelena of Zadar was the queen consort of the Kingdom of Croatia, as the wife of King Michael Krešimir II, from 946 to 969, a period which was allegedly marked by "peace, order and expeditious growth". She became the queen of Croatia after her husband died and reigned until her death in 976. Also known as "mother of orphans and protectress of widows", she was revered by her subjects and most adored for her charity and known for bringing peace to the Kingdom.



KING PETAR KREŠIMIR IV (\$25,000-\$49,999) - Petar Krešimir IV was a notably energetic King of Croatia from 1059 until his death in 1075. He was the last great ruler of the Krešimirović branch of the House of Trpimirović. Under his rule the Croatian realm reached its peak territorially, expanding Croatia along the Adriatic coastland and in the mainland eastwards and bringing Slavonia into the Croatian fold. This expansion earned him the sobriquet "the Great".



KING DMITAR ZVONIMIR (\$10,000-\$24,999) - Dmtar Zvonimir was King of Croatia from 1076 until his death. He also ruled as Ban of Slavonia (1064 to 1074), and was named Duke of Croatia in around 1075. His native name was Zvonimir, while the name Dmtar was adopted at his coronation. He took a hard line against the Byzantine Empire. He was the last native king who exerted any real power over the entire Croatian state, which he inherited at its height and ruled it from the city of Knin.



PRINCE BRANIMIR (\$5000-\$9,999) - Branimir was a ruler of Dalmatian Croatia who reigned as Knez from 879 to 892. He was recognized by Pope John VIII as the Duke of the Croats. During his reign, Croatia retained its sovereignty from both Frankish and Byzantine rule, and became a fully recognized state.



NIKOLA ŠUBIĆ ZRINSKI (\$2500-\$4999) - Nikola Šubić Zrinski was a Croatian nobleman and general in service of the Habsburg Monarchy, Ban of Croatia from 1542 to 1556, and member of the Zrinski noble family. He was known across Europe for his involvement with the Battle of Szigetvár and is today seen as a hero by both Hungarians and Croatians.



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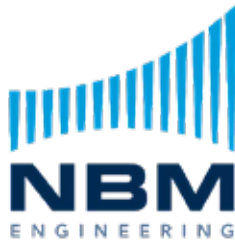


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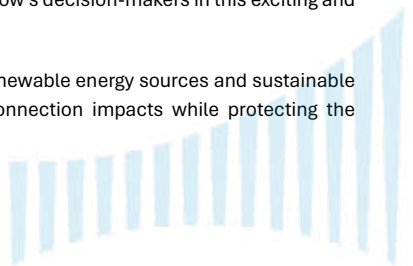
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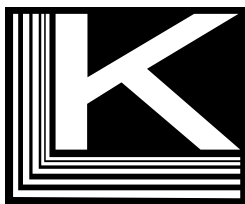


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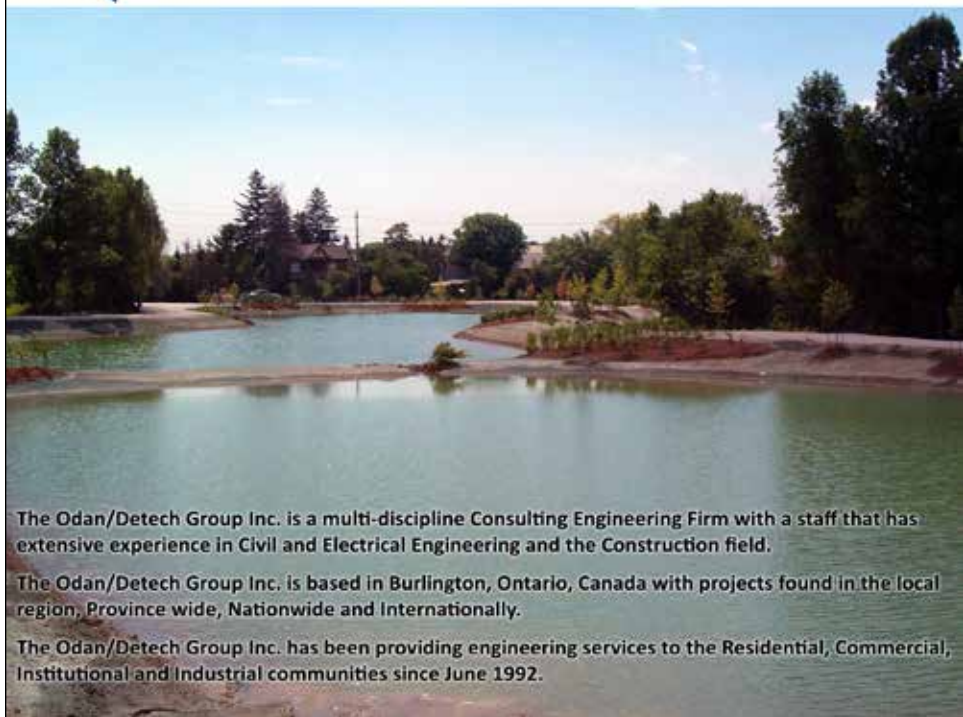
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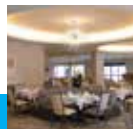
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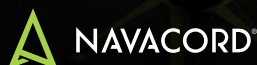
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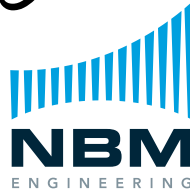
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