

## LAC Foundation Director, Mr. Ron Cohen, receives Order of Canada

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### News release

*December 1, 2020* – The LAC Foundation is pleased to announce that a director from its board, Mr. Ronald Ivan Cohen, C.M., M.B.E., has been awarded one of our country’s highest honours, when Her Excellency the Right Honourable Julie Payette, Governor General of Canada, announced the new appointments to the Order of Canada, late last week. The Order of Canada was created in 1967 and honours people whose “service shapes our society; whose innovations ignite our imaginations; and whose compassion unites our communities”.

This honour recognizes Mr. Cohen’s dedication to promoting and preserving literary and cultural heritage in Canada and abroad. Among his many hats: lawyer, film producer, bibliographer, inveterate book collector, Mr. Cohen graciously donates his time and experience to supporting Canadian heritage. He is a Director on the LAC Foundation Board, the past President and member of the Friends of Library and Archives Canada, as well as the inaugural President of the Sir Winston Churchill Society of Ottawa. Additionally, between 1999 and 2003, Mr. Cohen donated his entire Lucy Maud Montgomery collection to Library and Archives Canada, which contains 420 items, including more than 40 copies of *Anne of Green Gables*, many of them first editions. In 2019, Mr. Cohen was awarded the LAC Scholar Award, which recognizes the outstanding contribution of Canadians who have dedicated their lives to the creation and promotion of our country’s cultural, literary and historical heritage.

The LAC Foundation wishes to congratulate Mr. Cohen on this achievement and thank him for his commitment to Canada’s cultural heritage.

### Quotes

“We wish Mr. Cohen on many more years of success and recognition that is so deserved for all of his remarkable contributions, which have enriched us all in so many ways. We are grateful for his passion and dedication to excellence.”

*Jacques J.M. Shore, Chair of the LAC Foundation*

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