



# Take AAME

Newsletter of the Alberta Association for Multicultural

2014-2015

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## Message from President

**By Linda McKay-Panos**

It has been a great honour to serve as president of AAME for the past few years. Our board of directors is a volunteer working board. Our board members contribute greatly to the success of AAME. Our sole source of funding is working at Casinos and there have been several members and friends of AAME who help us work at these. Thank you so much for your support. We have been able to partner with several groups to support our multicultural education and anti-racism work. Elsewhere in the newsletter is a list of some of the endeavours we have supported. We welcome new members and new board members who would like to get involved! Please visit our website at [aamed.com](http://aamed.com) for more information about us!



### Projects Supported by AAME in 2014-2015

International Heritage Languages Association, 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Mother Language Association.

Canadian Multicultural Education Foundation Harmony Brunch and Photo Exhibit

Alberta Association for Media Awareness Film Series

Seniors Association of Greater Edmonton Welcome Wall

Black History Month PechaKucha

## Genevieve Balogun Memorial Scholarship

March 12, 2015

In partnership with Calgary Bridge Foundation this year's award recipient was Ludjane Coronel, an ambitious and gracious student who immigrated from the Philippines to Calgary, Alberta in 2012.

In meeting with Ludjane, also known as Jane by classmates, I quickly learned a great deal about her dedication to ensuring that one's heart must always reside in the path one chooses to follow. The fact that Ludjane received this award speaks to the qualities we honour in Genevieve's name: honesty, community service and the importance of family and friends. Ludjane is planning to enter the Canadian Armed Forces in tribute of her grandfather, who was in the Philippines Navy. In coming to Canada, she has continued to work diligently in her studies, dedicate time to her family and participate in competitive swimming as she competed nationally in her birth country.

As our province and country grow, it is in the hearts of young people like Ludjane that we can be proud to live in a rich and diverse land that embraces all who call Alberta, Canada home.



Left:  
Ludjane  
Coronel  
Right:  
Sonia  
Aujla-  
Bhullar  
(AAME)

## Looking Forward: Future for Film Events

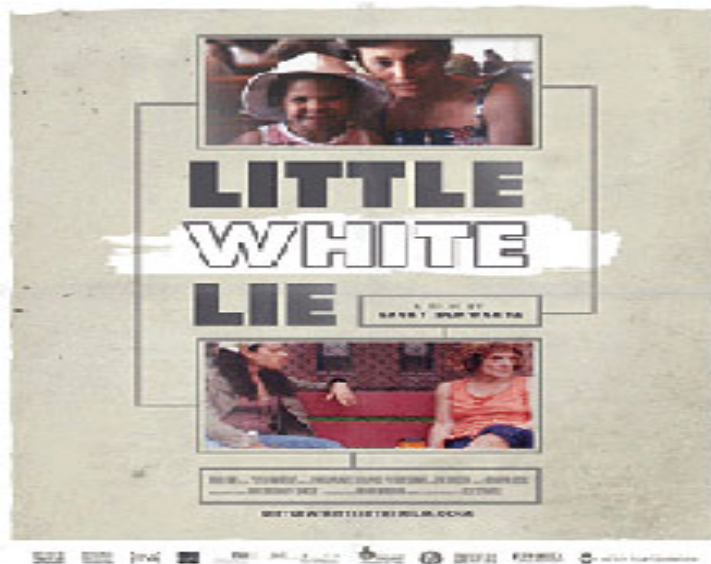
March 25, 2015

**Movies that Matter** – “Little White Lie” (documentary) AAME partnered event at the University of Calgary, Taylor Family Digital

Two of our board members, Fran and Gerda, facilitated a discussion around the film “Little White Lie” with 20 participants at the University of Calgary. The event received positive feedback and it is with great excitement that arrangements have been confirmed to continue our partnership with “Movies That Matter” for the Fall of 2015.

It is in these spaces that conversation can occur around the often overlooked impact and lessons derived in film and art that has an impact on how we see ourselves, others and our communities.

Looking forward to more success within these events!



### News, Events and Resources 2014-2015

March 12, 2015 Calgary Bridge Foundation (AAME Sponsored Genevieve Balogun Memorial Scholarship presentation)

March 22, 2015 Harmony Brunch (Canadian Multicultural Education Foundation, Edmonton) AAME is a sponsor

March 25, 2015 Movies that Matter – “Little White Lie” (documentary) AAME partnered event at the University of Calgary, Taylor Family Digital Library 7 pm

2015: Black History Month Virtual Classroom National Film Board of Canada

2014: List of new titles from the Toronto Film Festival:

# 2016 Multifaith Calendar: Gratitude



**AAME** is the southern Alberta distributor of the Multifaith Calendar. The calendar is the leading source of complete and accurate dates, times, and descriptions for 370 events (including over 180 religious and cultural occasions). Information from fourteen World Religions and faith groups is collected and updated annually. We are excited about the rich diversity of images throughout the Calendar, published in a full size (13" x 10") and colour format. To order please **phone or email us**. Proceeds used to help fund the initiatives of AAME.



Cartoon: Ron Tandberg

## Remembering Our Goal:

To assist Alberta citizens and their organizations with ongoing dialogue, education, and training in the areas of multiculturalism and anti-racism.

In the event that this cartoon becomes a reality, we are ready and willing to have and open that conversation.

As a province and people we strive for a more inclusive society that respects and embraces diversity for the present and all future generations.

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