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Portugal Week  
2016



29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Gala Dinner

& Scholarship Presentation

Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> 2016, 6:30PM



# Damião Patacho da Costa

**DAMIÃO PATACHO DA COSTA** was born in the city of Lagos, Algarve on July 4th, 1927. He completed his studies in Lisbon and taught for the first time in Faro in 1953 at the "Industrial and Commercial School". From there he moved to Ponta Delgada where he taught for 11 years before immigrating to Canada with his wife Virginia Cerqueira and his two daughters, Ana Costa and Margarida Solange.

He began to work at the First Portuguese School and was appointed director of First Portuguese in 1972, a position he maintained until 1980 when he decided to open his own Portuguese school; the "Portuguese Community School of the Transmontano Club". Both of his daughters helped him with this project that eventually developed into a folklore group that is still in activity today and led by Ana Costa; the "Folclore Group of Transmontano School".

On June 10th 1991, the President of the Portuguese Republic recognized the hard work of Professor Costa by distinguishing him with the Order of Merit, presented to him by the Ex-Consul General of Portugal Dr. Pessanha Viegas.

In January of 2001 he received the commemorative medal of the 50 Years of the Anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II, and in June of 2013 he received a certificate of merit attributed by the Real Canadian Portuguese Historical Museum.



Comendador Professor Damião Patacho Costa died on March 28 2014 at the age of 86.

# Armando "Rilhas" Costa

**Armando Costa**, also known as Rilhas, was a Portuguese singer, soccer player and coach. Born in the village of Bombarral in central Portugal. He immigrated to Toronto in 1968 at the age of 18. Having played in Portugal for his local team, he immediately started his Canadian career playing for Toronto First Portuguese of the Canadian National Soccer League, eventually becoming the longest serving player in the league and winning a championship with the club. Costa later joined the Buffalo Stallions of the Major Indoor Soccer League for two seasons until his retirement in 1982.

After retiring from playing, Armando started his coaching career as head of, Toronto First Portuguese, leading the team to an NSL championship in 1990. He would join the coaching staff of the Canadian Professional Soccer League's Toronto Blizzard the following year in 1991. Costa took over the Ontario Soccer Association's High Performance Academy from 1993 to 1997. He spent one season on the coaching staff of the Toronto Lynx in 1998. He became the Libyan Youth National Team's Technical Director from 2000 to 2005 and also the head coach of U-17 and U-20 Libyan Olympic teams. Following his time in Libya, Costa became the head coach and Director of Soccer Operations for Brampton City United FC of the Canadian Soccer League until 2012.

Costa's was also a traditional Portuguese singer who had sang Fado since he was a young person in Portugal, where he



played drums with a band. Costa released an album in 1989, entitled "Sou quem Sou".

Armando "Rilhas" Costa died December 7, 2012 at the age of 63.

# Portugal Week 2016 Scholarship

## Recipients

### **Arsenal Do Minho**

ANDRÉ FILIPE AIRES AMORIM & KARINA RODRIGUES GONÇALVES

### **Associação Cultural 25 de Abril**

EVYN PRETO

### **Associação Cultural do Minho de Toronto**

CATARINA CRUZEIRO

### **Canadian Madeira Club**

DIOGO FIGUEIRA

### **Casa das Beiras Cultural Community Centre of Toronto**

JOANNA ASSUNÇÃO & RUBEN MARQUES

### **First Portuguese Canadian Cultural Centre**

KEVIN MACIAS

### **Northern Portugal Cultural Centre**

NOAH GANHÃO & SAMANTHA RAINHO

### **Peniche Community Club**

BRANDON FERREIRA & SAMUEL MARTINS

### **Portuguese Cultural Club of Vaughan**

JULIE MARQUES

### **Rancho Folcórico da Nazaré**

RAFAELA FONTES

### **University of Toronto Portuguese Association**

SARA NATALIA SALAZAR LUZ

### **York University Luso Association**

LAURA BONIFAZ

### **Armando 'Rilhas' Costa Scholarship**

Presented by Casa do Alentejo Community Centre

### **Excellence in Music**

JENNIFER SANTOS BETTENCOURT

### **Excellence in Sports**

KATRINA SOFIA FERNANDES

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Acapo Damião P. Costa Scholarship Presentation**



# Evening Program

6:30 Reception

7:15 Master of Ceremonies **Helder Correia**, ACAPO Executive Board Member  
National Anthems by **Isabel Sinde**

7:30 Speakers

**Com. José Maria Eustáquio**, President, ACAPO Executive Board

**Jack Oliveira**, Business Manager Liuna Local 183

**Frank Monteiro**, Cambridge City Councillor

**Martin Medeiros**, Peel Region and Brampton City Councillor

**His Worship Nelson Santos**, Mayor of Kingsville

**Com. Ana Bailão**, Toronto City Councillor Ward 18

**Cesar Palacio**, Toronto City Councillor Ward 17

**His Worship John Tory**, Mayor of Toronto

**Sra. Cristina Martins**, MPP Davenport

**The Honourable Charles Sousa**, Minister of Finance Province of Ontario

**Dr. Luis Barros**, Consulate General of the Portuguese Republic

**Katia Caramujo**, President, ACAPO Council of Presidents

Grace

8:00 Dinner

8:45 Musical Interlude of Traditional Portuguese Fado  
**Tony Gouveia & Elizabete**

9:00 ACAPO Portugal Week 2016 Scholarship Presentations

9:45 Musical Interlude of Traditional Portuguese Fado

10:00 3<sup>RD</sup> Annual ACAPO Damião P. Costa Scholarship Presentation

10:15 ACAPO Portugal Week 2016 Merit Award Presentation



# ACAPO Merit Award

## Recipients

Throughout the years, the Merit Award has been presented to a person nominated by a Club or Association that is a member of the ACAPO to recognize their distinct work in the cultural, political or sports sector, that has dignified the Portuguese community.

1988	Dale Brazão	2006	José Tavares de Sousa
1989	Jacinto Almeida	2007	Stephanie Fidalgo
1990	Padre Lima Esteves	2008	Armando Augusto Viegas José Luis Lopes Maria Rosa de Sousa
1991	Dra. Teresa Costa	2009	Dra. Maria João Dodman
1992	Dr. Tomás Ferreira	2010	Lina Pedrosa
1993	Martinho Silva	2011	Frank S. Alvarez
1994	Gilberto Araujo	2012	José Maria Eustáquio
1995	Horácio Domingos	2013	Fernando Rio
1996	José e Maria Gonçalves	2014	Laurentino Esteves
1997	Vítor Vieira	2015	Paulo Pereira
1998	António Campos		
1999	Américo Ribeiro		
2000	António Dionisio		
2001	José Oliveira		
2002	José Maria Eustáquio		
2003	Celina de Melo		
2004	Jorge da Costa		
2005	Custódio Carrusca		



**Amigu di Macau Club (Toronto)**

President: José Cordeiro

**Amor da Pátria Community Centre**

President: Bertina Matos

**Arsenal do Minho de Toronto**

President: Tony Letra

**Associação Cultural 25 de Abril**

President: Carlos Morgadinho

**Associação Cultural do Minho de Toronto**

President: Olívia Rites

**Associação Migrante de Barcelos**

President: Paula Barbosa

**Community Centre**

President: Paula Barbosa

**Banda do Sagrado Coração de Jesus**

President: Pitty Domingos

**Banda do Senhor Santo Cristo of Toronto**

President: Sonia A. Lima

**Casa da Madeira**

President: Rick Coelho

**Casa das Beiras**

**Cultural Community Centre of Toronto**

President: Bernardino Nascimento

**Casa de Macau of Toronto**

President: Aurea Collaço Meyer

**Casa do Alentejo Community Centre**

President: Carlos de Sousa

**Casa do Benfica de Toronto**

President: Mário Mirassol

**Casa dos Açores do Ontário**

President: Suzanne Cunha

**Ecos of Portugal**

President: Joseph M. Resendes

**First Portuguese Canadian Cultural Centre**

President: Pedro Moniz Curado e Silva

**Futebol Clube do Porto de Toronto**

President: Cesário Brás

**Grupo Folclórico Português de Oakville**

President: Tony da Silva

**Grupo Folcórico Transmontano**

President: Ana Maria Costa

**Northern Portugal Cultural Centre**

President: Cristina Galvão

**Ontario Association of Portuguese Veterans**

President: Luís Vieira

**Operário Sports Club**

President: Norberto Vidal

**Oshawa Portuguese Club**

President: José Henriques

**Peniche Community Club**

President: João Freixo

**Portuguese Cultural Club of Vaughan**

President: Valter Ferreira

**Poveiros Community Centre**

President: Linda Correia

**Rancho Folcórico "As Tricanas"**

President: Paula Gomes

**Rancho Folclórico da Nazaré**

President: José Mafra

**Rancho Folcórico Estrelas do Norte of Toronto**

**Rancho Folcórico "Os Camponeses" de Toronto**

President: Steven Borges

**Rancho Folclórico Ribatejano de Toronto**

President: Joaquim da Silva

**Rancho Províncias e Ilhas de Portugal**

President: Norberto Paiva

**Sporting Clube Lusitânia de Toronto**

President: Jonathan Silva

**Sporting Clube Português de Toronto**

President: Carlos Ferreira

**Sporting FC**

President: Augusto Pires

**University of Toronto Portuguese Association**

President: Catarina-Raquel de Oliveira Gomes

**York University Portuguese Association**

President: Natasha Silvestre



# Performing Artists

## Tony Gouveia & Elizabetê

Accompanied by the Guitars of  
Hernani Raposo, Eduardo Camara & Pedro Joel



Audio Production

**ACS Productions**

Carlos Costa and Daniel Gama



Catering

**New Casa Abril Catering**

Januário Barros & Cesário Brás

*New Casa Abril*  
RESTAURANT & CATERING

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