

MEDIA ADVISORY

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SPU to Host a Public Lecture by André Marin, Ombudsman of Ontario

OTTAWA, October 17, 2014 – Saint Paul University (SPU) is proud to host a free public lecture by **André Marin** on Monday, October 20, 2014. Mr. Marin’s topic is **“The Watchdog Speaks: How Oversight Makes Government Better.”**

Mr. Marin will discuss his role as Ontario’s Ombudsman, overseeing more than 500 provincial government organizations and handling some 27,000 public complaints per year. From matters of life and death to outrageous errors in electricity bills, Mr. Marin and his staff work to solve problems big and small for Ontario citizens looking for help with provincial government services.

The Ombudsman’s investigations have sparked broad government reforms and helped remind everyone involved in public service—from lottery administrators to police officers dealing with crisis situations—of the importance of values and ethics in everything they do.

What: Public lecture by André Marin, Ombudsman of Ontario

When: Monday, October 20, 2014, from 5: 30 to 7 p.m.

Where: Amphitheatre, Guigues Building (G1124) – Saint Paul University, 223 Main Street, Ottawa, Ontario

Please note that this lecture will be presented in English.

Saint Paul University (1848) is the founding college of the University of Ottawa, with which it has been federated since 1965. Bilingual and on a human scale, it offers programs in social communication and leadership, counselling and spirituality, canon law, public ethics and philosophy, conflict studies, human relations and spirituality, and theology.

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