

TD Bank Group Presidents' Portrait Collection

TD Tower 54th Floor

The portraits hanging in this corridor form part of the TD Bank Group Presidents' Portrait Collection, which features leaders from throughout the Bank's history and its predecessor entities, including Bank of Toronto (established 1855) and Dominion Bank (established 1871).

The collection includes 22 paintings and three photographs. Many of the former were commissioned from the most renowned Canadian portrait painters — such as Robert Harris (1849–1919), and Lilius Torrance Newton (1896–1980), a founding member of the Canadian Group of Painters — with the earliest portrait completed circa 1860.

TD Bank's past presidents were not only business leaders who helped enshrine the security of Canada's financial system and established the values that continue to define our corporate culture, but they were also driven by diverse passions outside the Bank. Under their influence, many of Canada's educational and recreational institutions flourished, and the lasting contributions of these individuals can be observed in the arenas of art, culture, health care, sport, and philanthropy.



Prior to the construction of TD Centre, a selection of the portraits hung in the Bank of Toronto (pictured) and Dominion Bank board rooms.

**Bank of Toronto Board Room,
King & Bay Streets, 1953**

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James Gooderham Worts

Director & VP, Bank of Toronto
(served from 1858–1882)



By J.C. Forbes (1846–1925)
TD Bank Group Archives AA-05-13

- **James Gooderham Worts** emigrated to Canada with his father James Worts in 1831, as an agricultural depression strained the grain industry in England
- Gooderham Worts partnered with his uncle William Gooderham (himself President of the Bank of Toronto from 1864–1881) to form the family distilling and grain processing firm Gooderham & Worts in 1845, following the sudden death of his father James Worts
- Diversifying his interests, Gooderham Worts invested heavily in the young Bank of Toronto and by 1863 he was the second largest stockholder with shares valued at \$27,000
- With William Gooderham and William Cawthra, Gooderham Worts was a major contributor to the building fund that allowed the Toronto General Hospital to add a wing dedicated to the treatment of infectious diseases
- Gooderham Worts was remembered "as a man of great integrity and sterling worth, with a rare ability and mastery of business detail," and a willing source of advice to those with serious projects to launch, thus helping to diversify the business activities of early Toronto
- Toronto-born artist **John Colin Forbes** painted portraits of four of the Bank's past leaders, several Prime Ministers, and European royalty

William Henry Beatty

President, Bank of Toronto
(served from 1905–1911)

By Robert Harris (1849–1919)
TD Bank Group Archives AA-05-07



- **William Henry Beatty** was the son-in-law of James Gooderham Worts (see above)
- Beatty entered the law profession in 1863 and eventually his firm became the official solicitors to the Bank of Toronto, moving his practice into their head office at Church and Wellington Streets in 1879
- In 1881, Worts became President and Beatty Vice-President of the Bank. The following year Worts died, and in his will directed that Beatty should succeed him on the Bank's board of directors
- Beatty served on the Board of Governors of Upper Canada College, was a yachtsman, and was a member of the Anglican Cathedral Church of St. James
- During the last two decades of the 19th century and the first two of the 20th, **Robert Harris** was the most renowned portrait painter in Canada and people came from as far away as New York City to sit for him
- Harris is best known for his work *The Fathers of Confederation*, an imagined scene from the Charlottetown and Quebec Conferences of 1864, which hung in Ottawa's original Parliament building until it was devastated by fire in 1916
- The more than 300 portraits by Harris known to exist in private and public collections represent a microcosm of Canada's business and social élite

William George Gooderham



President, Bank of Toronto
(served from 1916–1935)

By J.W.L. Forster (1850–1938)
TD Bank Group Archives AA-05-08

- **William George Gooderham** was the son of George Gooderham (1830–1905), who was also a President of the Bank of Toronto from 1882 to his death in 1905
- W.G. Gooderham was Director of the Bank from 1881, and Vice President from 1905
- He was a prominent member of the following clubs: York, Toronto, The Royal Canadian Yacht Club, National, Argonaut Rowing
- Portrait painter **John Wycliffe Lowes Forster** was born in Brampton and educated in Toronto and London, England
- A member of the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts, Forster produced masterful portraits of political leaders, judges, entrepreneurs, and royals
- Forster's lifelong ambition was the creation of a national portrait gallery for Canada. Many of his portraits can be seen at the National Gallery of Canada

J. L. Carson

President, Bank of Toronto
(served from 1948–1951)

By K.K. Forbes (1892–1980)
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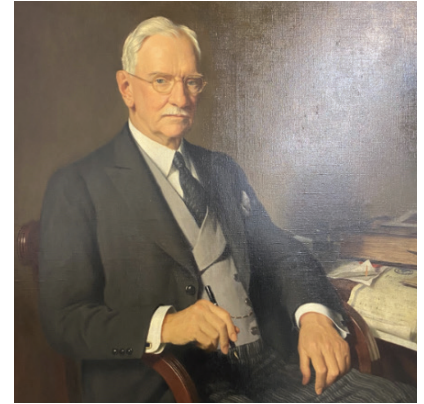


- Born in Sanquhar, Scotland in 1885, **James Laurie Carson** joined the banking profession in 1902 as a junior clerk before relocating to Canada and entering the service of the Bank of Toronto in Montreal in 1905
- A noted "natural banker," and lover of people, Carson was affectionately known as "Jim." A note in his executive file in the TD Bank Archives reflects simply: "He is everybody's friend"
- His interests included golf and curling
- Artist **Kenneth Keith Forbes** was a well-known Toronto portrait artist, as was his father J.C. Forbes (also represented in the Presidents' Portraits Collection)

C. H. Carlisle

President, Dominion Bank
(served from 1934–1948)

By K.K. Forbes (1892–1980)
TD Bank Group Archives AA-05-20



- **Clifton Hugh Carlisle** was raised in Cortland, Ohio and following his education became a schoolteacher and superintendent of schools
- In 1908 Carlisle joined Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. in Akron, Ohio and two years later was charged with setting up Canadian operations for the business. He spent more than 25 years with Goodyear, becoming Chairman of the Canadian board
- One of Canada's leading industrialists and financiers, Carlisle was described as "a brilliant administrator and a peppy individualist with strong views on every subject."
- He first became a Director of the Dominion Bank in 1928, before his appointment to President and Chairman. Carlisle maintained his interest in banking and Canadian business into his early eighties, working from his office at the Bank right up until his death. It is fitting that his portrait by **Kenneth Keith Forbes** shows him sitting in a Dominion Bank board of directors chair, surrounded by the ephemera that denotes his profession
- In a tribute published after his death Carlisle was remembered thus: "A man of extraordinary vision, stamina and pertinacity, his range of interests and capacity for detail was amazing..." Carlisle left his mark on the Dominion Bank and industry in Canada thanks to his exemplary leadership, creative thinking, and visionary business practices

Allen T. Lambert

President & CEO, Toronto-Dominion Bank
(served from 1960–1977)

By Liliias Torrance Newton (1896–1980)
TD Bank Group Archives AA-05-24



- **Allen Thomas Lambert** entered the service of the Bank of Toronto in 1927 as a teenager in Victoria, BC and he rose through the ranks to become President & CEO in a remarkable 50-year career with the Bank
- He served in the Royal Canadian Navy during WWII
- Lambert personally supervised the construction of the TD Centre (1964–1968), serving as President, TD Centre Limited. The Lambert Room, his former office, retains his name in honour of his extraordinary vision in bringing the TD Centre to life
- In addition to establishing the Bank's Corporate Art program, Lambert developed the Inuit Art Collection as TD's Centennial project
- Lambert chaired a number of royal commissions and federal advisory bodies, including the Royal Commission on Financial Organization and Accountability in 1976
- He was appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada, 1976
- Portrait artist **Liliias Torrance Newton** was a member of the Beaver Hall Group of painters and, among her most prestigious commissions, she painted Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip in 1957. She is the only female artist to have completed a portrait commission for the Bank

R. M. Thomson

President & CEO, Toronto-Dominion Bank
(served from 1977–1997)

By Tony Hauser
TD Bank Group Archives AA-05-29



- **Richard Murray Thomson** joined The Toronto-Dominion Bank in 1957, becoming Assistant to the President after six years of training in the Bank's retail network
- Thomson oversaw day-to-day administration of the TD Centre's construction as the chief liaison between the Bank, Cadillac Fairview, and the office of architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe. The project transformed TD's image and propelled the Bank in the ranks of Canadian financial institutions. The Thomson Room is named in honour of his leadership in the realization of the iconic campus
- In 1972, at the age of 38, Thomson became the youngest President in Canadian banking to that date
- Thomson has been actively involved in numerous community and health organizations, and has mobilized and inspired corporate Canada by directing major fundraising campaigns for various health care, educational, and cultural organizations
- In 1998 he was inducted as an Officer of the Order of Canada
- Portrait photographer **Tony Hauser** is renowned for the distinctive imagery that demonstrates his innate ability to capture each sitter's essence and energy. Hauser's work has been exhibited at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa, Roy Thomson Hall, the Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21, the Banff Centre, and the Art Gallery at Canada House in London, England, among others

A. Charles Baillie

CEO, TD Bank Group
(served from 1997–2002)

By Tony Hauser
TD Bank Group Archives AA-05-30



- **A. Charles Baillie** joined The Toronto-Dominion Bank officially in 1964, having served as summer relief staff since 1962
- In 1979, Baillie joined the Bank's International Division and had pioneering roles in the establishment of the USA Division and TD Securities. As well, he oversaw the acquisition of CT Financial Services Inc. in 2000
- A long-time patron of arts and literature, Baillie's volunteer work in the cultural sector has benefitted a wide variety of non-profit organizations, including the Art Gallery of Ontario, the Shaw Festival, Canadian Opera Company, Soulpepper Theatre, the Royal Conservatory of Music, the International Festival of Authors, and the charity Business / Arts
- Baillie is also Chancellor Emeritus of Queen's University, an Officer of the Order of Canada, and a Companion of the Canadian Business Hall of Fame
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W. Edmund Clark

CEO, TD Bank Group
(served from 2002-2014)

By Norman Wong
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- **W. Edmund Clark** joined The Toronto-Dominion Bank upon its acquisition of CT Financial Services Inc., having previously held a number of senior positions in the federal government and other financial institutions
- Clark has been the recipient of numerous honours recognizing his determination to improve quality of life for those less fortunate, through voluntary and philanthropic leadership with an array of organizations, including Woodgreen Community Services, Catalyst Canada, and Habitat for Humanity
- Clark was appointed to the Order of Canada in 2010 for his contributions to policy development in both the public and private sectors, and inducted as a Companion of the Canadian Business Hall of Fame in 2016
- **Norman Wong** is a Canadian photographer and music video director who has worked with celebrities, musicians, and global brands