

**Media Advisory** 

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## 13th annual Vancouver Gala to celebrate excellence in Aboriginal relations

On September 24, 2015, the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business (CCAB) will be celebrating our recently certified Progressive Aboriginal Relations (PAR) companies, and honouring the 2015 recipient of CCAB's Award for Excellence in Aboriginal Relations, Willa Black, Vice-President, Corporate Affairs — Canada, Cisco Systems. CCAB invites members of the press to cover the 13<sup>th</sup> annual Vancouver gala and interview the extraordinary individuals moving the relationship between Aboriginal peoples and corporate Canada forward.

When: September 24, 2015 from 5:30pm to 9:30pm.

Where: The Fairmont Waterfront Hotel in Vancouver, BC.

900 Canadian Place, V6C 3L5

Who: The following individuals are available for media interviews:

JP Gladu — President & CEO, the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business

**Willa Black** — Vice-President, Corporate Affairs — Canada, Cisco Systems and 2015 Excellence in Aboriginal Relations award recipient

Pat Horgan — Vice-President, Manufacturing, Development and Operations, IBM Canada

**Roxanne Hodgson** — External Relations Social Performance Advisor, Shell Canada

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For more information about the event, visit <a href="https://www.ccab.com/13th-annual-vancouver-gala">https://www.ccab.com/13th-annual-vancouver-gala</a> or contact Lynda Keith, Senior Manager, Sponsorships and Events at <a href="lkeith@ccab.com">lkeith@ccab.com</a> or 416.540.7586.

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