

WZCC NEWS

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**Zarathushti Entrepreneurship
Development Foundation**

An update by Edul Daver

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Dear Readers,
2024 has been a year of consolidation and implementation of the WZCC Strategic Plan. We have made progress. Now we need to ensure that we take it to the next level with set goals, every quarter, to have sustained growth.



A plan is being put in place and will be discussed before we implement same. Sustained efforts will be made to bring synergy in our ecosystem, especially between Youth and WE.

WZCC, established in the year 2000, completes 25 years this year; landmark of sustained efforts to energize the growth of our community, entrepreneurs and professionals.

We must celebrate our Silver Anniversary with events world over. All Chapters will be given guidelines to ensure we make WZCC a brand to promote Industry with Integrity.

Dear members, our path is difficult but we owe it to our community to promote our next generation to make our community proud.

Nothing is impossible once we apply our minds and work towards our goals.

Definiteness of purpose is a starting point of all achievements.

Vision is the Art of Seeing the Invisible

~ Percy Master

STEP UP FOR THE RIDE ~ Welcome Mr Trump

A must read from **Dorab Mistry - The Stage of St. John's Wood**

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CAREER PATHS LESS TRAVELLED

In a world where conventional careers are the norm, there are those less travelled paths that spark curiosity and create unique opportunities for creativity, fulfilment and adventure.

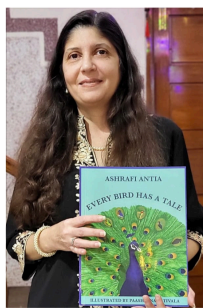
We have showcased FIVE such professionals in this issue in the hope that the youth of today can draw inspiration from them and in turn create their own adventures. Please share these with those you think might be interested in learning more from these individuals.

Our thanks to Arnavaz, Ashrafi, Diana, Xerxes & Zubin for sharing their stories.

ARNAVAZ DHABHAR - Transit Operator, Mississauga - Canada

Overcoming initial hostility based on ethnicity, Arnavaz says, "No two days are the same. The job comes with many challenges and is physically taxing and exhausting BUT I would choose it all over again in a heartbeat."

[Read Arnavaz's story HERE](#)



ASHRAFI ANTIA - Storyteller, Bangalore - India

Storytelling was a natural part of our daily routine at home, says Ashrafi. "My mother read to me and I, in turn, read to my daughter. When I write, I want the reader to be able to visualize the story like a movie playing out.

[Read Ashrafi's story HERE](#)

DIANA PUNDOLE - Racing Driver, Pune - India

Despite facing ridicule, criticism and insults from those around, Diana remained determined to achieve what many believed was impossible. She understood that to compete with her male counterparts she needed to match them in physicality to cater to the demands of the sport.

[Read Diana's story HERE](#)





XERXES BODHANWALA - Executive Chef, Perth - Australia

Xerxes chose to pursue Culinary Arts & Kitchen Management at a time when his peers were applying to Business or Engineering Colleges. It was important to understand that this chosen career path would be fraught with exhaustion, long hours, very little holiday time and be very demanding. Passion and love for cooking was paramount in order to pursue the dream.

Read [HERE](#) what Xerxes says about the profession today.

ZUBIN BALAPORIA - Music Director & Keyboard Player

Music Director, Photographer & founding member of one of India's oldest Rock Bands, Indus Creed, Zubin has also scored music for hundreds of projects on radio, television, feature films, documentaries, musicals & theatre. His music repertoire extends far beyond rock-n-roll and has earned him several accolades & awards.

Read [HERE](#) what Zubin has to say about a career in Music today.



WZCC SPOTLIGHT

Percy Master in conversation with
R. Gopalakrishnan & Harish Bhat

on
JAMSETJI TATA

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Percy Master, Global Director
talks on

The Future of Zoroastrian Community
in Global Scenario

A Webinar by the
Iranian Zoroastrian Youth Network

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It was gratifying to see the Zoroastrian Community well represented at the TCS New York City Marathon, held on the 3rd of November, since only 4% of those who applied, were accepted.

Athletes included Meher Chinoy Jesia (Mumbai); Firdaus Dotiwala (Florida); Fabian Katrak (New York); Noshir Lala (Mumbai); Arzan Singpurwalla (Mumbai); Emily Burnet (New York); and Minoti Gore (Mumbai).

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TORONTO CONCLAVE 2025



Registrations open soon

Entrepreneurs, professionals, and visionaries—get ready!

The World Zarathushti Chamber of Commerce (WZCC) Toronto Chapter, invites you to the WZCC TORONTO Conclave 2025, happening from April 29 - May 3, 2025.

This year's theme, **"The Other Side of Business"**, shines a spotlight on what truly fuels an entrepreneur's success – wellness, mindset, balance, and peak performance. Beyond boardrooms and profit margins, this conclave will explore how prioritizing personal growth leads to sustainable professional success.

Why Should You Attend?

- Inspiration Beyond Business: Discover the habits, mindset, and lifestyle strategies of high-performing entrepreneurs.
- Networking Opportunities: Connect with like-minded professionals, potential collaborators, and mentors.
- Unique Experiences: Explore Toronto's iconic sights, enjoy cultural activities, and celebrate at the Gala Awards Night.
- Celebrate Excellence: Witness the WZCC Outstanding Zarathushti Awards honoring inspiring individuals in our community.
- Pitch Your Business: Entrepreneurs can shine and get funded and mentored at the much-anticipated Tiger's Den!

What can you expect at the Conclave ?

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