



Catherine “Cathie” Marcellus

(1923-)

Cathie Marcellus, a “community activist” and author, is best known for her significant contributions to further educational development in Mission.

Driven by her belief that “...education is the only tool we have to solve the world’s problems...”, Cathie served on the local School Board, lead “Great Books” discussion groups, and after her four children were grown up, acquired a Master’s Degree in English at age 62 from Simon Fraser University.

In 1986, she helped found a model educational program for “*the intellectually curious of all ages*” called Lifetime Learning and more recently served on the steering committee to build Heritage Park Centre, an innovative educational facility for culture and learning.

In recognition of her outstanding achievements, Cathie’s awards by 1997 included: Citizen of the Year (1991), Governor General’s Medal (1993), and Freeman of the City (1995).

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