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## **First Edition Antonio Maglio Prize**

### ***Journalist to be awarded for work in Italian-Canadian media***

TORONTO 6 January 12, 2009- The first edition of the **Antonio Maglio Prize in Italian-Canadian Journalism** will be the first of its kind within the Italian-Canadian community. The award, in honour of the late journalistic Antonio Maglio, will be awarded to Nicola Sparano, Sports Editor for Corriere Canadese. The **Maglio Prize** recognizes and celebrates an individual of Italian-descent working in the Italian-Canadian media demonstrating professional excellence and who promotes the preservation of the Italian language.

The Maglio Prize will be a celebration which will coincide annually with a conference organized by the Italian Cultural Institute on topics related to Italian Media.

The awards will be presented at the AMICI Museum and Italian-Canadian Interpretive Centre in Maple on Thursday January 22, 2009.

*“We cannot forget the names of great journalist who have passed away like Antonio Maglio to whom the prize is dedicated, Angela Baldassarre and many others and we must not forget who has worked and is working on the frontline promoting information and the Italian language.”*

*6 Corrado Paina, Executive Director, Italian Chamber of Commerce of Toronto*

**What: 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Antonio Maglio Prize in Italian-Canadian Journalism**

**Keynote Speaker: Ms. Lori Abittan, President & C.E.O., Multimedia Nova Corp.**

**When: Thursday, January 22, 2009**

**Where: AMICI Museum & Italian-Canadian Interpretive Centre**

**Tickets are \$25 with portion to be donated to AMICI**

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