

# Pursuit Award

PHD STUDENTS IMPROVING THE LIVES OF KIDS WITH DISABILITIES



Holland Bloorview's research institute is proud to host the annual Pursuit Award competition – recognizing PhD students and recent alumni from across the globe for their outstanding contributions to and achievements in childhood disability research.

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## Award Ceremony 2019

Wednesday, May 15, 2019  
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital  
Conference Centre (1E200 & 1E201)  
150 Kilgour Road  
Toronto, ON M4G 1R8

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| 9:00 - 9:30 a.m.        | Breakfast and refreshments   |
| 9:30 - 9:45 a.m.        | Welcome remarks  |
| 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.       | <b>Emma Grace, finalist</b><br><i>Flinders University, College of Nursing and Health Sciences</i><br><br>Young people with complex communication needs who use augmentative and alternative communication: Investigating the impact of a cross-age peer e-mentoring intervention on participation in online conversation |
| 10:15 - 10:45 a.m.      | <b>Alicia Hilderley, finalist</b><br><i>University of Calgary, Cumming School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics</i><br><br>Exploring functional neuroplasticity and the associations with outcomes of advanced gross motor interventions for children with cerebral palsy  |
| 10:45 - 11:15 a.m.      | <b>Catherine Mak, finalist</b><br><i>University of Queensland, Queensland Cerebral Palsy and Rehabilitation Research Centre</i><br><br>MiYoga: An embodied, mindful-movement program for children with cerebral palsy and their parents - a randomised controlled trial  |
| 11:15 - 11:30 a.m.      | Break  |
| 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Award ceremony   |
| 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.       | Keynote & Knowledge Connections<br><br><b>Dr. Amy Bastian</b><br><i>Neuroscientist, chief science officer at the Kennedy Krieger Institute</i><br><br>Keynote title: Learning and relearning movement  |

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