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Toronto Team Wins 2nd Place in New York



Pictured above: Eric Salb (left) and Kevin Birchall stand excited and exhausted after finishing the two-day National Automotive Technology Competition at the New York International Autoshow. The pair from Northview Heights Secondary School in Toronto had quite a battle to get to New York. In February at the Canadian International Autoshow, the pair competed against 18 other teams vying for prizes for themselves, their school and the grand prize, a trip to New York to compete as representatives for the Toronto Automobile Dealers Association (TADA). With training by their teacher, Norm Arding, these young men placed first in the competition and started to prepare for the New York competition. Shortly after, it was learned that the students would be competing on a 2009 Mazda6 at the New York competition and through our various contacts here at Centennial, the students started to get connected with the world of Mazda. Craig McQueen, a technical trainer at Mazda Canada (and former Centennial prof) was able to get a Mazda6 delivered to the school and helped the students train on it while they were here for their OYAP training. Scarboro Mazda, a local dealership provided the students with some vehicle and information systems training as well as hosted a Discovery Channel documentary shoot. On April 14 and 15 they competed against 28 other teams from the United States. Over the two days they had a series of workstations and a 3 hour competition on vehicle to challenge them. With their parents in attendance, they waited in anticipation as the announcements were made. A full round of applause filled the banquet hall as Eric and Kevin placed second in North America. Eric and Kevin received thousands of dollars in prizes and scholarships for their achievement. Way to go team!

NEW

View the Daily Planet video (clip 2) of the Toronto Team by [clicking here](#).

International Autoshow (New York) Skills Competition



The North American Automotive Challenge Competition was held in New York City and featured 29 teams from all over North America. Centennial College's Citi:Motive program produced Canada's singular entry.

Centennial's Annual "State of the College" Address



President Ann Buller

Will deliver the

State of the College Address

On June 5 (11:30—12:30)

Ashtonbee Auditorium

(Refreshments provided)



Left: Prabhdeep Singh graduated from Turner Fenton S.S. (Peel District School Board) in June 2007 and enrolled in the SoT's Motive Power program. He will be back this fall to add some business and marketing courses to his list of successes. **Right: Fazal Hashmi and Portia Elliot** sporting the new look of the Primary Response Security

View the SoT video (2 minutes) by clicking [here](#)