

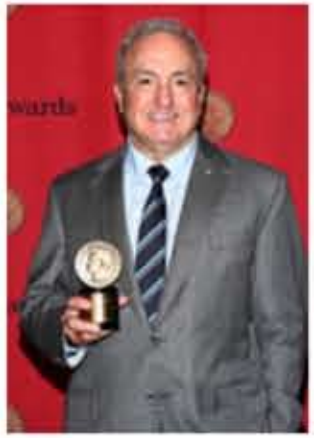


# JEWISH HERITAGE MONTH



## NOTABLE JEWISH CANADIANS

### Lorne Michaels



Lorne Michaels (born Lorne David Lipowitz) was born on a kibbutz in Israel on November 17, 1944, to Florence (née Becker) and Henry Abraham Lipowitz. His family emigrated to Toronto, Ontario, Canada when he was an infant. He is Jewish. Michaels and his two younger siblings were raised in Toronto where he attended the Forest Hill Collegiate Institute. He graduated from University College, Toronto, where he majored in English, in 1966. Michaels was awarded the Order of Canada in 2002.

### Irwin Cotler



Irwin Cotler is the Member of Parliament for Mount Royal and the Liberal Party of Canada's Critic for Rights and Freedoms and International Justice. He is also an Emeritus Professor of Law at McGill University, former Minister of Justice & Attorney General of Canada, and an international human rights lawyer.

A constitutional and comparative law scholar, Prof. Cotler intervened in landmark *Charter of Rights* cases in the areas of free speech, freedom of religion, minority rights, peace law and war crimes justice.

He is the recipient of eleven honorary doctorates, numerous awards including the Order of Canada, and has recently been awarded the Canadian Bar Association's President's Award, the International Raoul Wallenberg

### Drake



Aubrey Drake Graham was born on October 24, 1986, in Toronto, Ontario. His father, Dennis Graham, is an African American and a practising Catholic from Memphis, Tennessee, and worked as a drummer, performing alongside country musician Jerry Lee Lewis. Bass guitarist Larry Graham and the late songwriter Teenie Hodges are his paternal uncles. Drake's mother, Sandi Graham (née Sher), is a Jewish Canadian who worked as an English teacher and florist. Drake attended a Jewish day school, and had a Bar Mitzvah ceremony.

### Zach Hyman



Zachary Martin "Zach" Hyman (born June 9, 1992) is a Canadian professional ice hockey player for the Toronto Maple Leafs of the National Hockey League (NHL). Hyman is also an award-winning, best-selling author of children's literature, under contract with Penguin Random House.

Zach Hyman was born on June 9, 1992, in Toronto, Ontario, to Stuart and Vicky Hyman. Hyman grew up in Forest Hill, Toronto. Hyman attended United Synagogue Day School and graduated with honours from a Jewish high school, the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto.

### Myra Freeman



Myra Ava Freeman (nee Holtzman) grew up in Saint John, New Brunswick. She taught with the Halifax Regional School Board until appointed as the first female and first Jewish Lieutenant Governor of the province.