

Amy Marlene Robichaud-Harpe
National Winner of the 2009 edition of the CBC's
Canada's Next Great Prime Minister



Amy Marlene Robichaud-Harpe is a University of Ottawa Political Science & Public Administration graduate. She has served as a Senate Page from 2005 to 2007, and spent a brief time as a student with Industry Canada. Amy is best known for her entry in the CBC's Canada's Next Great Prime Minister 2009 contest. Judged by former Prime Ministers Mulroney, Clark, Campbell, and Martin, Amy was selected by an audience vote as the winner of the televised competition and grand prize of \$50 000. In August 2009, Amy married her fiancé of two years Sasha. They currently live in Brampton and commute to Toronto where Amy is the Office Coordinator and a Program Officer for The Historical-Dominion Institute. In September 2009, Amy was profiled as one of 16 "Extraordinary Women" by President Allen Rock's office at the University of Ottawa in celebration of 90 year of co-education at that institution.

Since the age of 12, Amy has been actively involved in academic debate, and community youth programs. In 2003 at the age of 15, Amy was a plenary speaker and workshop presenter at the 3rd World Child and Youth Health Congress. In 2007, Amy organized the Youth on the Hill day, bringing together all students and young professionals employed by Parliament as well as chairing the Canadian Student Federations National Debate Seminar. In the same year, she was awarded the Willis McCleese Award for her contribution to debate in Canada. She has served on the Child Engagement Experts Resources Team for the development of Canada's National Plan of Action on the Rights of the Child and volunteered with the Landon Pearson Centre for the Study of Childhood and Children's rights at Carleton University.

Amy has had the privilege and the challenge of engaging with senior members of the public service and government from a young age and while she cannot claim to be an expert on leadership or intergenerational issues, at 22 she has and continues to be engaged with and face the reality of working in an intergenerational team.