



**SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY  
FALL CONVOCATION  
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**Convocation Address**

**By**

**Dr. Christopher Gaze**

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*An honorary doctor of fine arts was conferred on Dr. Christopher Gaze during the Faculties of Business Administration and Arts and Social Sciences (General Studies) Ceremony on Friday, October 6, 2006. The following is Dr. Gaze's convocation address.*

“There is a tide in the affairs of man that taken at the flood leads on to fortune” – says my friend Shakespeare. And he has been a friend. I find in the words the very beauties of life, of love, of living. Even in my early schoolboy days there was something in the words that beguiled me, that reverberated in my heart and soul, something that gave me a direction.

participate in the wonders of this unique and marvelous land. It is a joyful reality in my life that I have always sought the knowledge and guidance of older people like Douglas. I