

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

Honorary Degree Citations
The degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa,
conferred on Dr. Larry Beasley
Thursday, June 7, 2007

Mr. Chancellor, today we honour one of SFU's most gifted and accomplished alumni, whose far-sighted leadership has dramatically transformed Vancouver into a city envied around the world. This jewel that so many of us are privileged to call home has been cut and polished at the hand of Larry Beasley, one of its most influential and visionary planners.

As a boy, Larry Beasley built cities in the sand. Later, after graduating from Simon Fraser University in 1973, he embarked on a career whose trajectory saw him assume key positions, first as a senior