



## **CPA President's New Researcher Awards 2004**

### **DR. JOHN ABELA**

John Abela's outstanding research on the vulnerability to depression in children and adolescents has earned him numerous and major grants. He is extremely well published and has presented extensively worldwide at conferences and symposia. John completed his Ph.D. in May of 2000 from the University of Pennsylvania and is currently a psychologist with the Montreal Children's Hospital and is Director of their Cognitive Behaviour Therapy Clinic. He is also a well-liked assistant professor at the University of McGill's Psychology Department.

### **DR. MARYLÈNE GAGNÉ**

Marylène Gagné is an accomplished and well published researcher with broad interests relating to autonomy support, self-determination and other elements of social motivation. She earned her Ph.D. from the University of Rochester in 2000. In addition to her position as assistant professor in the Department of Business at Concordia University, she is currently involved with numerous research projects.

### **DR. TONIA NICHOLLS**

Tonia Nicholls has been conducting groundbreaking work in the area of violence risk assessment with women and with civil psychiatric patients. She is well published and has presented at many conferences and workshops. She earned her Ph.D. from Simon Fraser University in Law and Forensic Psychology. She is currently a research contractor at BC Forensic Psychiatric Services Commission and is involved in continued research at the University of British Columbia.