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Dr. Bruce Williams was born in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia. He completed his Bachelor of Arts Degree at Acadia University and then entered Medical School at McGill University, graduating in 1955.

Dr. Williams completed his internship and residency in the McGill University teaching hospitals. He was awarded a McLaughlin Travelling Fellowship and spent one year of postgraduate training in England, Sweden, and Russia. Dr. Williams is Board certified through the Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons, Canada, and the American Board of Plastic Surgery.

Dr. Williams is Emeritus Professor of Surgery at McGill University and was Chairman of the Division of Plastic Surgery and Director of the Residency Program at McGill from 1976 – 1996 and was reappointed as Residency Program Director in 2002. Over 100 residents have graduated from the Program during his tenure, many of whom completed a year of research under his guidance.

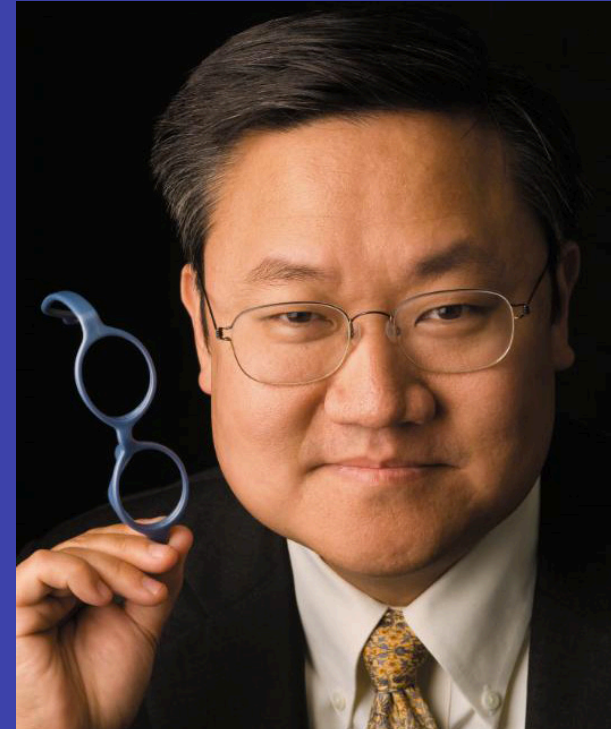
He was Surgeon-in-Chief at The Montreal Children's Hospital from 1992 – 2007. Dr. Williams has been internationally recognized for his outstanding contributions to the field of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery receiving many awards including Distinguished Service Awards from Acadia University and the Plastic Surgery Educational Foundation. He received the Ambassadors' Club Award and Agora Trophy from the Montreal Convention Centre, the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Canadian Society of Plastic Surgeons and was honoured by his peers at The Montreal Children's Hospital with the Council of Physicians, Dentists, and Pharmacists Lifetime Achievement Award. Dr. Williams received both the Clinician of the Year Award and The Honorary Award (their most prestigious award) from the American Association of Plastic Surgeons.

His major interests have included basic laboratory research, microsurgery and hand surgery. He has been a Visiting Professor to over 70 different universities and societies throughout the world. Dr. Williams has contributed over 130 articles and book chapters to the field of Plastic Surgery. He is Past President of many societies including the Canadian Society of Plastic Surgeons, the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery, and the International Microsurgical Society. He is the only Canadian to be elected President of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons.

Dr. Williams has two sons, Bruce (Beatrijs) and David (Bethany) and five grandsons.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual H. Bruce Williams Pediatric Surgical Research Day

McGill University  
Department of Pediatric Surgery



**Thomas C. Lee, MD**

**June 2, 2014**

## Thomas C. Lee, MD

Director, Vision Center  
Children's Hospital Los Angeles  
Associate Professor Department of Ophthalmology  
Director, Surgical Retina Fellowship  
Keck School of Medicine  
University of Southern California

Dr. Lee earned his bachelor degree at Johns Hopkins University and received his MD from Cornell University where he graduated with Honors in Research and was a Howard Hughes Scholar. He completed his ophthalmology residency at Cornell and then went to Harvard Medical School as a Heed Fellow where he studied retinal stem cells and the role they play in cancer. He completed his retina fellowship at Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary before returning to Cornell where he held the St Giles Endowed Chair in Pediatric Retinal Diseases until being recruited to Children's Hospital Los Angeles. Since his arrival, Dr. Lee has developed the Retina Institute into a world class center and in 2011 was promoted to Director of the Vision Center which has eight full time faculty devoted to all aspects of childhood blindness.

Dr. Lee has made several advances in our understanding of pediatric retinal disease and has recruited a team of physicians and basic scientists to develop new treatments for conditions such as retinoblastoma and retinopathy of prematurity. He has also created an innovative program to teach eye doctors in developing countries. In 2010 he established a program in conjunction with the Armenian Eye Care Project to remotely train Armenian doctors to diagnose and treat retinopathy of prematurity. He has since established an online NICU nursing training program as well. It is his goal to create an open-source medical education curriculum that can be used to teach healthcare workers in developing countries.

### Selected awards:

*Morris and Mary Press Humanism Award, CHLA 2013*  
*Ellis Island Medal of Honor, 2012*  
*Barbara M. Korsch Award for Research in Medical Education, CHLA, 2011*  
*Award for Excellence in Residency Training, Doheny Eye Institute, 2008*  
*Achievement Award, American Academy of Ophthalmology, 2006*  
*New York Hospital Clinical Scholar, 2002*  
*Fellowship Research Award, Retina Society, 1999*  
*Heed Fellowship, Harvard Medical School, 1996*  
*Resident Teaching Award, Cornell, 1996*  
*Distinguished House Staff Award, Society of The New York-Presbyterian Hospital, 1996*  
*Resident Research Award, New York Academy of Medicine, 1996*  
*Franklyn Ellenbogen Prize in Hematology and Oncology, Weill Medical College, Cornell, 1992*  
*Dean William Mecklenburg Polk Memorial Prize, Weill Medical College, Cornell, 1991*

## Pediatric Surgical Grand Rounds

07:30 – 07:35	<b>Welcome</b> <b>Dr. Jean-Pierre Farmer</b>
07:35 – 07:40	<b>Introduction of Dr. Thomas C. Lee</b> <b>Dr. Robert Koenekoop</b>
07:40 – 08:40	<b>Presentation</b> <b>Dr. Thomas C. Lee</b> <i>A Robert Frost Approach to Academic Medicine</i>
08:40-09:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>

## Surgical Research Symposium

09:00-10:00	<b>Abstract Presentations – Session I</b> Moderator: <b>Dr. Robert Koenekoop</b>
10:00-10:20	<b>Coffee Break</b>
10:20-11:20	<b>Abstract Presentations – Session II</b> Moderator: <b>Dr. Ayesha Khan</b>
11:20-11:40	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:40-12:40	<b>Abstract Presentations – Session III</b> Moderator: <b>Dr. Daniela Toffoli</b>
12:45-13:45	<b>Lunch – C-11<sup>th</sup> floor</b>

## Award Presentation

13:45-14:00	<b>Award Presentations C-11<sup>th</sup> floor</b> <b>Dr. H. Bruce Williams and jury</b>
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*For more details on the abstract presentations, please refer to the abstract book.*