

## Carlos Gonzalez-Deschamps

Recognizing that his opportunities for education and employment were limited in Mexico, **Carlos**, born with Cerebral Palsy, first came to Canada, to attend High School, and then again in 2005 to attend University. Attributing his success and vision in part to his parents, **Carlos** had the vision of using his life experiences both as



an individual with a disability and as a newcomer, to teach, mentor and open the community to possibilities.

**Carlos** has dedicated his life to promoting equitable access to employment, education and human rights by using his talents as a public speaker to talk to schools, businesses and non-profits about what it means to have a disability, the struggles and trials he has experienced and to empower people to reach their goals and achieve their dreams.

**Carlos** explains, “By providing public awareness, I have been able to give people tools to understanding and it has helped me see how much potential people truly have.”

**Carlos** has created a series of presentations targeting important topics like bullying and disability etiquette and in his spare time, he uses his compassion and warm-hearted nature to mentor children with disabilities.

