

Lieutenant-General Jean-Marc Lanthier, CMM, MSC, MSM, CD
Commander of the Canadian Army
16 July 2018 – August 2019

Honours

02/06/2018	CMM	Commander of the Order of Military Merit	MGen
26/03/2011	OMM	Officer of the Order of Military Merit	Colonel
26/01/2008	MSC	Meritorious Service Cross	LCol
18/12/2010	MSM	Meritorious Service Medal	BGen
30/09/2017	Officer	Legion of Merit (USA)	Colonel
30/09/2017	Officer (2 nd Award)	Legion of Merit (USA)	BGen

Military

07/2004	LCol	Commanding Officer 12e Régiment blindé du Canada
07/2006	LCol	Commander 1 st Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team IN Kandahar
07/2007	LCol	Director of Land Requirements, Canadian Army, Ottawa, Ontario
01/2009	Colonel	Commander – 5 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group, Valcartier
01/2010	Colonel	Deputy Commander Joint Task Force Haiti, Port-au-Prince, Haiti
03/2010	Colonel	Commander – 5 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group, Valcartier
06/2011	Brigadier-General	Deputy Commanding General Sustainment I Corps US Army Base Lewis McChord
07/2011	Brigadier-General	Director – Afghan National Security Forces Operations ISAF Joint Command Kabul
07/2012	Brigadier-General	Deputy Commanding General Sustainment I Corps US Army Base Lewis McChord
07/2013	Brigadier-General	Commander 2 nd Canadian Division and Joint Task Force East, Montreal
07/2014	Major-General	Commander Canadian Army Doctrine and Training Centre Kingston
04/2017	Major-General	Chief of Programme, DND
15/07/2018	Lieutenant-General	Commander of the Canadian Army

Upon graduation from the University of Ottawa, Lieutenant-General Lanthier joined the Canadian Armed Forces in 1989 as an armoured officer. His command appointments include 12e Régiment blindé du Canada, 5e Groupe-brigade mécanisé du Canada, 2e Division du Canada/Joint Task Force (East) and the Canadian Army Doctrine and Training Centre. He was also appointed Deputy Commanding General Sustainment I (US) Corps during a two-year exchange with the United States Army. Key staff appointments include Chief of Staff Headquarters 5e Groupe-brigade mécanisé, Director Land Requirements and Chief of Programme at NDHQ.



He participated in six international deployments and two domestic operations. He deployed three times with different units to the former Yugoslavia, under the mandate of the United Nations Protection Force and the NATO Stabilization Force. He commanded the first Canadian Operational Mentoring and Liaison Team in 2006/07 in the province of Kandahar. He was the Canadian Deputy Commander Joint Task Force Haiti following the earthquake that hit Haiti in January 2010. In 2011/12, he was the ISAF Joint Command Director of Afghan National Security Forces Operations, in Kabul.

He obtained his Bachelor's degree in biochemistry from the University of Ottawa and his Master's degree in Applied Science from the University of Cranfield, England. He completed the Land Force Command and Staff Course in Kingston and the Advanced Command and Staff Course at the British Joint Services Command and Staff College. He is a graduate of Harvard Kennedy School and the US Naval Post Graduate School.

His decorations include the Order of Military Merit in the rank of Commander, the Meritorious Service Cross, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the United States Legion of Merit (Officer).

Lieutenant-General Lanthier was appointed Commander of the Canadian Army on July 16, 2018. In August 2019, he was appointed the Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff. In June 2020, he retired from the Canadian Forces.

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Brigadier-General 2014



Lieutenant-General 2018

Medals

CMM (OMM) – MSC – MSM - General Campaign Star with 2 extra tours - Operational Service Medal ribbon Haiti – Peacekeeping - UNPROFOR with 2 - NATO bar former Yugoslavia - EIR Diamond Jubilee - CD and one Bar – Officer Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf to show 2nd Award