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Shida Bolai and Tony Becca
inducted into Caribbean Media Hall of Fame

San Andres Island. August 13, 2019. In its 50th Annual General Assembly the Caribbean Broadcasting Union, CBU has inducted two outstanding professionals into the Caribbean Media Hall of Fame, one of them posthumously.

Trinidad and Tobago's veteran media executive Mrs. Shida Bolai and Jamaican sports writer, known especially for his work on covering West Indies Cricket, the late Tony Becca were inducted into the Hall of Fame in a ceremony on Monday evening.

Mrs. Bolai was hailed as a strong leader at operational and executive levels in media steadily working across media platforms of print, radio and television, up the ranks in the Trinidad Express Newspaper to being Advertising Manager, Group Sales Manager, General Manager of the Newspaper, then General Manager and later Chief Executive Officer of the Caribbean Communications Network, CCN.

In its citation the CBU said Mrs. Bolai was treasured for her 14 years of service to the CBU from 2003 to 2017, culminating with her four years of service as President from 2013 to 2017.

A posthumous induction of Lascelle Anthony "Tony Becca" was done. He was hailed as having sports and sports journalism in his blood from the early days as he played cricket, football, hockey and table tennis. He was best remembered for reporting on all sporting disciplines with his writings about cricket and especially

West Indies Cricket for which he was renowned. He covered more than 125 West Indies test matches.

Mrs. Bolai responded to the induction saying she was humbled and honoured by the award after her 42 years of service to the media. She thanked her family, One Caribbean Media Group and especially her mentor, Ken Gordon for the support and guidance given to her.

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