NEW YORK, NY – Size isn’t everything. Boasting only one player in the rotation over 6’1”, Queensborough Community College won the 2003 CUNY Athletic Conference / Con Edison Community College Basketball Championship, beating Hostos Community College 81-64 in a final game played at Borough of Manhattan CC.

Despite playing the first half without their leading scorer, 6’4” Salahudin Clark, who tended to the birth of his first child earlier in the day, Hostos outrebounded an undersized QCC team, 35-14 and went into the locker room up 35-34. But midway through the second half, Queensborough went on a mini 6-0 run, extending a 48-46 lead to 54-46, and the lead was never less than five points thereafter. Sophomore Johann Yorke was selected as Tournament Most Valuable Player with a dominating inside presence for the Tigers scoring 23 points (on 8-14 field goals and 7-9 free throws) and grabbing 12 rebounds, along with four steals and four assists.

“Coach told us about the lack of rebounding during halftime,” said Yorke, a 6’1” product of Rice High School, “and we were committed to grabbing rebounds. I think this team really bought into Coach [Tom] Sinnickson’s system this year, and it paid off by winning this championship.”

Freshman Dewayne Thomas (New York, NY) was outstanding again, scoring a game-high 26 points and was selected to the all-tournament team, along with Hostos’ Malik Haney (New York, NY) and Clark (New York, NY). Kingsborough’s Ronald Williams (Brooklyn, NY) and BMCC’s Steve Jean (Brooklyn, NY) were also added.

Hostos, the fourth-seed in the tournament and first year intercollegiate program, played at a high level from the semifinals when they beat #1 seed Kingsborough, 78-74, to gain entry into the final.

“I’m very happy with the direction of the program in its first year,” said Hostos head coach Robert Holford. “It’s a credit to our institution, our students and our administration that we were so successful this early.” Haney led the Caimans again with 14 points, while Clark added seven points in the second half.

“I knew that when our three top players (Yorke, Thomas and Teron Simpson) had only two fouls each at halftime, we had a shot at it,” said eighth-year head coach Tom Sinnickson upon winning his fourth CUNY title. “We were able to play more consistent basketball and Johann and Dewayne played with their hearts tonight.”

Freshman Carl Emengo (Brooklyn, NY) added 18 points and five assists for QCC. With the win, the Tigers, won the school’s CUNY record sixth CUNYAC / Con Edison title.

### Matchup Statistics

**Hostos**
- FG-A: 25-70
- FT-A: 10-14
- Reb: 31
- A: 11
- PF: 64
- Percentages: FG 35.7%, FT 71.4%
- 3-Point FG: 4-16 (.250)
- Blocks: 2 (Ortiz, Brown)
- Steals: 4 (Moise 2, Ortiz, Clark)
- Turnovers: 26

**Queensborough**
- FG-A: 23-61
- FT-A: 32-42
- Reb: 19
- A: 81
- PF: 81
- Percentages: FG 37.7%, FT 76.2%
- 3-Point FG: 3-10 (.300)
- Blocks: 2 (Ortiz, Brown)
- Steals: 12 (York, Emengo 2, Fuller 2, Thomas 2, Simpson, Armond)

### School Record

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**38th Annual CUNYAC / Con Edison Championships**

QCC OUTLASTS HOSTOS FOR TITLE

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**TOURNAMENT MVP**

JOHANN YORKE

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**Percentages**: FG .357, FT .714.

- 3-Point FG: 4-16 (.250)
- Blocks: 2 (Ortiz, Brown)
- Turnovers: 26
- Steals: 4 (Moise 2, Ortiz, Clark)

**QCC FG-A FT-A Reb A PF PTS**
- Simpson (F) 2-10 3-5 3 1 3 7
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- York (C) 8-14 7-9 12 4 4 23
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**Percentages**: FG .377, FT .762.

- 3-Point FG: 3-10 (.300)
- Blocks: 2 (Ortiz, Brown)
- Turnovers: 9 (York, Emengo 2, Thomas 2, Simpson, Armond)
- Steals: 12 (York 4, Emengo 2, Fuller 2, Thomas 2, Simpson, Armond)

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CUNY TOURNAMENT RESULTS

CHAMPIONSHIPS at BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE (New York, NY)

Quarterfinal
#4 Hostos 78, #5 Bronx 63

Semifinals
#4 Hostos 78, #1 Kingsborough 74
#2 Queensborough 88, #3 Manhattan 79

Final
#2 Queensborough 81, Hostos 64

All-Tournament Team
Salahudin Clark So. F Hostos
Malik Haney Fr. G Hostos
Steve Jean Fr. C Manhattan
Dewayne Thomas Fr. G Queensborough
Ronald Williams Fr. G Kingsborough
Tournament Most Valuable Player
Johann Yorke So. F Queensborough

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CUNY WEEKLY HONORS

Players of the Week
Week 1 Dustin Yeates Kingsborough So. G
Week 2 Johann Yorke Queensborough So. F
Week 3 Dewayne Thomas Queensborough Fr. G
Week 4 Dustin Yeates Kingsborough So. G

Rookies of the Week
Week 1 Salahudin Clark Hostos So. F
Week 2 Dustin Yeates Kingsborough So. G
Week 3 Juan Ortiz Hostos Fr. F
Week 4 Yabsa N’Diaye Hostos Fr. F

CUNY ALL-STARTS

First Team All-CUNY
Salahudin Clark So. F Hostos
Jorge Diaz Fr. G Bronx
Steve Jean Fr. C Manhattan
Yabsa N’Diaye Fr. F Hostos
Teron Simpson So. G Queensborough
William Smith Fr. G Manhattan
Ronald Williams Fr. G Kingsborough
Johann Yorke So. F Queensborough

Player of the Year
Dustin Yeates So. G Kingsborough

Rookie of the Year
Jamel Frazier Fr. F Kingsborough

Coach of the Year
Hassan Duncombe 1st Season Kingsborough

2002-03 CUNYAC MEN’S BASKETBALL ALL-STARTS

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The CUNY Men’s Basketball Championship actually began in 1987 as a tip-off tournament, with New York City Technical College winning the inaugural title.

CUNY TOURNAMENT SUMMARIES

SEMI FINALS

QUEENSBOROUGH 88, BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN 79

Queensborough Community College advanced to the championship game for the first time since 1999, beating Borough of Manhattan Community College, 88-79 in the semifinals of the 2003 CUNY Athletic Conference/Con Edison Championships played at Kingsborough CC.

Despite getting down by as many as nine points in the early stages of the game, Queensborough, the number two seed, had a five-point cushion, 44-39, at the half. The Tigers extended the lead to nine points in the second half when freshman Dewayne Thomas (New York, NY) scored the team’s first ten points over four minute span for a 54-45 lead. Thomas finished the contest with 27 points and seven rebounds.

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FRESHMAN center Steve Jean (Brooklyn, NY) was solid in defeat for the Borough of Manhattan, leading the Panthers with 17 points and eight rebounds. Explosive freshman guard Garnett Wright, a product of Queens, had 14 in the contest along with Emanuel Gnamien (Brooklyn, NY), who also had nine rebounds, and William Smith (Brooklyn, NY). The Tigers, who won their last championship back in 1998, also benefited from strong performances by sophomores Johann Yorke (Dominica) with 18 points and 17 rebounds and Teron Simpson (Queens, NY) with 15 and eight assists.

HOSTOS 78, KINGSBOROUGH 74

In the school’s first season in CUNY competition, Hostos Community College, the tournament’s fourth seed, pulled off a huge upset beating host Kingsborough, 78-74 to gain entry into the 2003 CUNYAC / Con Edison Basketball Tournament final.

After falling behind 19-14, Hostos ended the first half with a 21-6 run over the final nine minutes to go into the locker room with a 35-25 lead. But the regular season champions fought back in the second half with a 15-5 run of their own over the first 4:47 to give KCC a 43-40 lead. It was a dogfight the rest of the way with numerous lead changes, and the score finally knotted at 72-72 with two minutes remaining. Freshman guard Wilfred Moise (Queens, NY) was sharp at the end, going 4-4 at the line to provide the winning margin while finishing with 16 points.

“We knew that they would make a run at us at the start of the second half,” said Caimans’ head coach Robert Holford. “But we were able to sustain tonight. For most of the season, we have not been able to overcome when teams push back. But tonight we stayed solid and adjusted, primarily on defense.”