

CALGARY AWARDS 2006



The City of Calgary congratulates all recipients of the 2006 Calgary Awards. These awards recognize Calgary citizens and organizations for their contributions in making our city a dynamic, compassionate and environmentally friendly place to live.

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The Calgary Awards began in 1994 as a Centennial project to commemorate Calgary's 100th year as a city and to recognize outstanding citizen achievement. Since 1994, the Calgary Awards have expanded to include the Environmental Achievement Awards, the Award for Accessibility, The City of Calgary W.O. Mitchell Book Prize, The Signature Award and The Community Achievement Awards.

A total of 75 nominations along with 26 entries for The City of Calgary W.O. Mitchell Book Prize were received this year. The selection of award recipients is the responsibility of the Calgary Awards Juries. The juries are comprised of Award recipients from previous years, community representatives, senior city administration and retired members of Council. These juries carefully reviewed the nominations and made the selections for the Award categories. Their selections were sent to Council for final approval.

The following is a description of the Award categories and a brief summary of the winners' accomplishments.

ENVIRONMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Individual Achievement

Awarded to a Calgarian whose actions and achievements have shown dedication to protecting and /or enhancing the environment.

Recipient - Robin McLeod

Robin McLeod is committed to protecting and enhancing the natural habitat and water quality in the Lower Elbow Vallehe stabilizing of persons suffering from Mental Illness. Their numerous programs which are specially designed to assist clients in improving their lives, help the clients to get and stay well. Their programs save health costs, provide early intervention and referral service. The organization is ultimately responsible for saving many desperately ill individuals, the centre facilitates over 30,000 visits per year.

Corporate

The Corporate Award goes to a Calgary business for innovative and/or exemplary environmental conduct. Any corporate entity with an office in Calgary, including a Crown corporation, qualifies for this award.

Recipient - Remington Development Corporation-Quarry Park

Remington is a small, but big thinking, Calgary company that is the developer of Quarry Park. Quarry Park will reclaim a brownfield site in SE Calgary, giving it new life as a truly sustainable, mixed use, transit and pedestrian oriented community. Included in the mix are executive, managerial and professional business offices within easy walking distance of homes, parks, pathways and shopping. Remington is changing the 'urban sprawl' and replacing it with 'urban intensification and reclamation'. It will be a complete, environmentally responsible community.

The Not-for-Profit Organization Award

This award goes to a non-government, not-for-profit organization for outstanding environmental contribution, improved environmental quality or the development of an environmental program.

Recipient – The Friends of Fish Creek Park

This environmentally concerned charitable group was established in 1992. Its mandate is to protect, preserve and enhance the diverse natural and human heritage found in Fish Creek Provincial Park. While a small team completes daily operations, volunteers and members are the heart of this group. The programs to promote Park conservation include; Park Care, Trail Care, Park Watch, Wildlife Monitoring and, a new program launched this year, Beaver Monitoring. Over the years, Friends of Fish Creek Provincial Park Society has made vast and significant differences to the Park.

Educational Institution

Presented to a Calgary educational institution, school board, school or student(s) for exemplary conduct or for an innovative environmental policy, project or activity.

Recipient - University Elementary School - Grade 1 & 2

The grade one and two classes of the University Elementary School noticed a change in the physical appearance of the school field. The street behind the school (16th Avenue NW) was being widened to accommodate the ease of access to the new Alberta Children's Hospital. Trees were being cut down, a proposed soccer field space was being moved and a natural plant park was to be removed and not replaced, so the students took action. They asked questions of the Developer, City of Calgary Transportation Department and their community Alderman. The

discussions led to a new landscaping plan that addressed the concerns of the students. The entire project was an inspiring example of how students can learn about the environment by taking action to protect it and achieving an end result that benefited themselves, the rest of the school and the broader community.

AWARD FOR ACCESSIBILITY

This award recognizes buildings or facilities in Calgary that have significantly exceeded the minimum requirements of the Alberta Building Code for accessibility by persons with disabilities.

Recipient - Shell Canada

Shell Canada is committed to diversity and accessibility. Their company welcomes persons with disabilities and floor space has been developed with their considerations in mind. In 2005, they began a three-year facilities project to develop 26 floors to reflect their commitment to accessibility in the open concept designs. Shell has committed to incorporating these design elements into renovations in their Calgary Place and Livingston Place office buildings.

THE CITY OF CALGARY W.O. MITCHELL BOOKPRIZE

 A three-person jury from the Canadian literary community judges all entries and selects the winner for confirmation by The Calgary Awards Committee. The jury is made up of a Calgarian, an Albertan from outside Calgary, and a Canadian from outside Alberta.

Recipient - Rona Altrows

A Run on Hose is an original, laugh out loud compilation of 11 short stories about working class women and their lingerie. In this work of quirky imagination, the author deftly probes the human psyche to reveal an unlikely mixture of grief, compassion and the great healing capacity of humour. Rona Altrows has several songs published and holds a degree from McGill University.

COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMEMENT AWARDS

<u>Arts</u>

Presented to an individual Calgarian whose artistic accomplishments have brought recognition to Calgary or whose volunteer or professional involvement has contributed to developing a stronger arts community.

Recipient - George Webber

Spanning over 40 years, Mr. Webber's significant photographic body of work, his contributions as an educator and volunteer has showcased the people of Calgary, Western Canada's spirit. George's artistic gift for visual arts is known all over the world. His pictures, published, displayed in major international museums, awarded medals, incorporated in Canada's Archives and exhibited by The National Gallery of Canada, enriches our history. He has created a major legacy in pictures for generations to come.

Community Advocate Award

Awarded to an individual Calgarian who has made a significant volunteer contribution to the community.

Recipient - Lorraine Moppett

Lorraine is a 20-year volunteer with the Dover Community Association. For the past 12 years, in her role as the community association's treasurer, she has spent thousands of hours to ensure its financial viability. Without formal training in accounting this has been an amazing accomplishment. In previous years her dedication to various children's and adult programs has guaranteed the program longevity. As a participant in multi-cultural committees, softball organizations, local school councils and Sunday school activities she is a stalwart community leader and a mainstay for the stability and success in this community.

Community Advocate: Organization

Awarded to a non-government, not-for-profit Calgary organization for outstanding service to the community by implementing, improving, supporting, or assisting a local project or program.

Recipient - Calgary Association of Self-Help

For the last 34 years the Calgary Association of Self Help has been instrumental in the rehabilitation, counseling and in assisting in the stabilizing of persons suffering from Mental Illness. Their numerous programs which are specially designed to assist clients in improving their lives, help the clients to get and stay well. Their programs save health costs, provide early intervention and referral service. The organization is ultimately responsible for saving many desperately ill individuals, the centre facilitates over 30,000 visits per year.

Education Award

Awarded to a Calgarian who has enhanced learning opportunities or brought recognition to Calgary due to outstanding academic achievement.

Recipient - Max Foran

One of Calgary's major educational contributors to the community, for 43 years Mr. Foran has brought notable recognition to the city of Calgary. A teacher, philosopher, artist and lecturer he is a communicator and leading Alberta historian. A researcher his work on various western Canadian urban, rural and cultural topics provides a basis for the development of environmental policy. His enthusiasm and passion for teaching courses on Canada is infectious, influencing numerous generations of students and citizens.

Heritage Award

Recognizes an individual Calgarian who has made a sustained and extraordinary contribution, either as a volunteer or professional, to the promotion of awareness and/or preservation of Calgary's heritage in the areas of built heritage, archaeology, culture, education or advocacy.

Recipient - Michael P. Robinson

Mr. Robinson's commitment to preserving Calgary, the North and Canada's heritage through professional, cultural, educational and volunteer contributions has been formidable. For over 20

years his achievements on the local, national and international stage as an environmental advocate, applied anthropologist and writer have forged significant advancement. Dedicated to the preservation and dissemination of information on physical, environmental and social conditions, Michael brings passion, tenacity and focus to these complex, far-reaching issues.

Youth Award

This award goes to an individual Calgarian, 18 years old or younger on December 31, 2005, whose exceptional achievements have brought recognition to or improved the quality of life in Calgary. The focus is on volunteer and community contributions, not academic achievement.

Recipient-Dirk Chisolm

This 11 year old spearheaded a campaign for the War Veterans. He was dismayed to learn that men and women who fought for our freedom required the assistance of a food bank. Dirk started with organizing a food bank drive for the Veterans, this led to many other schools being inspired to hold food drives. He felt food contributions were not enough so he contacted artist Robert Bateman (who donated one of his prints) and organized a Christmas card campaign, raising over \$7000.00 for the Calgary Veterans. With media attention on this grade 6 student, Dirk has raised the awareness of our War Veterans provincially and federally. He is actively involved in Calgary's communities, volunteering his time to many other organizations.

Grant MacEwan Lifetime Achievement Award

Honours an individual Calgarian who, over the past 25 years or more, has made significant contributions to the community and has improved the quality of life for citizens or whose accomplishments have brought recognition to Calgary.

The award is named in honour of the lifetime achievements of Calgarian Dr. Grant MacEwan — writer, environmentalist and politician. City Council created this award to commemorate Dr. MacEwan's 90th birthday in 1992.

Recipient - Peggy Valentine

Ms. Valentine's contributions to Calgary business and community are significant. Over the past 30 years her involvement has guaranteed the ongoing success of the city's educational system, fundraising organizations and the management of the Calgary Olympic Development

Association Olympic Legacy Endowment program. A passionate courageous woman, she is known for her pioneering efforts, prevailing leadership in the advancement of women's issues. The recipient of national Commemorative Medals she has been honoured for her contributions to her fellow citizens and community.

Citizen of the Year

This award goes to an outstanding individual Calgarian who has made a recent extraordinary contribution that has improved the quality of life in Calgary or whose recent achievements have brought recognition to Calgary

Recipient - Steve Allan

During a two year term from March 2005 to 2007, Mr. Allan's leadership as chairman of the board and president of the Calgary Exhibition & Stampede led to historic unprecedented change in its values and relevance. Because of Steve's enthusiasm, hard work and confidence he forged new relationships and partnerships within various local business, government, youth and volunteer communities. His innovative and visionary planning positioned the Stampede for economic and visitor growth ensuring the enjoyment of the World Famous Stampede for future generations.