



**Canadian Environment Awards 2005  
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**Canadian Environment Awards calls on Canadian public for nominations in 2005**

**TORONTO, September 20, 2004** — The Canadian Environment Awards is once again calling on the Canadian public to submit nominations for the **Community Awards** program. Now in its fourth year, the **Canadian Environment Awards: A Celebration of Community Achievement** is a national, bilingual program that recognizes individuals and groups of Canadians who have made outstanding contributions to the protection, restoration and preservation of the Canadian environment.

The **Canadian Environment Awards** recognizes three levels of environmental endeavour — the **Community Awards**; **The Green Team Challenge**, which is the youth initiative; and the **Citation of Lifetime Achievement**. The flagship program of the **Canadian Environment Awards** is the **Community Awards**, which celebrates grassroots environmental initiatives.

The Canadian public is being asked to submit nominations in this program for six categories of environmental excellence: **Climate Change; Conservation; Environmental Health; Environmental Learning; Restoration and Rehabilitation; and Sustainable Living**. “There are examples of environmental leadership in every community across the country,” says managing director Paula Prociuk Blacklock. “The individuals and community groups who are looking out for Canada’s environment deserve our recognition and gratitude. We value the opportunity to share their stories with the rest of Canada. Their commitment inspires others to care for our country’s environmental legacy.”

Following the close of nominations on December 10, 2004, a judging panel representing the geographic diversity of Canada will choose the top three candidates in each category. The **Canadian Environment Awards** will also name a recipient for the **Citation of Lifetime Achievement**. This recognition honours an individual who has demonstrated exceptional dedication and made an outstanding contribution to environmental protection.

The biographies of all finalists will be published in both English and French digest-sized magazines that will be distributed in *Canadian Geographic’s*

May/June 2005 "Special Report on the Environment," *The Globe and Mail*, *The Gazette* and *Québec Science*. The Gold and Silver award winners will be recognized at a gala dinner that will be held during Canada's Environment Week in June 2005.

The **Canadian Environment Awards** was established in 2002 by Canadian Geographic Enterprises with the support of the Government of Canada and private-sector companies. For the fourth year, Shell Canada is the lead sponsor of the program.

Visit [www.canadiangeographic.ca/cea2005](http://www.canadiangeographic.ca/cea2005) for a copy of the nomination form and complete nomination guidelines.

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