



2021 Awards Program

Recognize excellence the recreation, parks and/or leisure field by nominating a deserving individual or group for a Recreation Manitoba award today!



Nomination Package

13th Annual Awards and Recognition Program

March 10 – 12, 2021

Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park, Winnipeg

Each year, Recreation Manitoba's (Rec MB) Awards and Recognition Program pays tribute to those individuals who through their efforts and skills, make an outstanding contribution towards the advancement of recreation, parks and leisure in Manitoba. The annual presentation of these awards reflects Recreation Manitoba commitment to celebrate and publicly recognize individuals and groups who have inspired us and earned our respect.

The awards will be presented in conjunction with the Annual Recreation Provincial Conference at the **President's Luncheon and Awards Ceremony**.

AWARD CATEGORIES

PRAIRIE CROCUS AWARD

The **Prairie Crocus Award** is the most prestigious award presented by Recreation Manitoba and honours a **professional** who has made a significant contribution to recreation, therapeutic recreation, parks and/or leisure services within the Province of Manitoba.

A nominee for this award:

- must be a member in good standing with Recreation Manitoba
- will have worked in the profession a minimum of five (5) years
- have promoted and advanced the values and benefits of recreation, therapeutic recreation, parks and/or leisure
- by their actions, have had a positive impact on the community they serve
- have contributed to the profession through active participation on committees, special initiatives and /or projects with local and/or regional associations

The statement of nomination for this award should respond to and include examples:

- What are the nominee's unique and outstanding achievements?
- How has the nominee contributed to advancing the recreation, therapeutic recreation, parks and/or leisure profession?
- How has this nominee contributed as a role model for others in the profession?
- How has this nominee made a positive impact in their community?

PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT

The **President's Award for Outstanding Achievement** recognizes a recreation professional or group of recreation and allied sector professionals who have made a substantial contribution through a regional or provincial recreation project, initiative, program or event. **Recipients are determined through an internal selection process by the Recreation Manitoba Board of Directors.**

The recipient(s) of this award will have through their actions, enhanced the quality of life of its citizens through recreation, therapeutic recreation, parks and/or leisure services **and** have demonstrated innovation, resourcefulness (ingenuity), vision and leadership.

AWARD OF MERIT

The **Award of Merit** will recognize a community group, organization or municipality for excellence and innovation in the provision of recreation, therapeutic recreation and/or parks programs and services at the **community level**. Nominees in this category may be practitioners, volunteers, community leaders and/or board members.

A nominee for this award will:

- have through their actions, enhanced the quality of life of its citizens through recreation, therapeutic recreation, parks and/or leisure services and programs
- have demonstrated innovation, resourcefulness and leadership
- have initiated a program, service and/or process that can be widely utilized, adapted or adopted by others.

The statement of nomination for this award should respond to and include examples:

- What are the nominee's unique and outstanding achievements?
- What are the significant and sustainable contributions made by the nominee?
- How has the nominee contributed to advancing the recreation and parks sector?

OUTSTANDING RECREATION FACILITY AWARD

The **Outstanding Recreation Facility Award** recognizes a recreation facility in Manitoba that demonstrates outstanding or unique innovations in efficiency or accessibility (design, energy management, accessibility for all abilities and income levels, operations, revenue generation, or services that meet the community needs).

A nominee for this award will:

- Have enhanced the quality of life of its citizens through accessibility, programming or services in their facility
- Have demonstrated unique or outstanding efficiencies in the management of the facility.
- Have incorporated innovative strategies and design as a multi-use facility.

The statement of nomination for this award should respond to and include examples:

- What are the facility's outstanding or unique innovations in efficiency or accessibility (design, energy management, accessibility for all abilities and income levels, operations, revenue generation, or services that meet the community needs)?
- What are the significant and sustainable contributions made by the facility in their community?
- How has the facility contributed to advancing the recreation and parks sector?

THERAPEUTIC RECREATION AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Therapeutic Recreation Award of Excellence recognizes and honours a therapeutic recreation professional who has made a significant contribution in the field of Therapeutic Recreation within the province of Manitoba.

A nominee for this award will:

- Have through their actions, enhanced the quality of life of their community through therapeutic recreation, leisure services and programs
- Have demonstrated innovation, resourcefulness and leadership as a therapeutic recreation professional
- Have initiated a therapeutic recreation program, service and/or process that can be widely utilized, adapted or adopted by others.

The statement of nomination for this award should respond to and include examples:

- What are the nominee's unique and outstanding achievements?
- What are the significant and sustainable contributions made by the nominee?
- How has the nominee contributed to advancing the therapeutic recreation sector?

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

The **Student Leadership Award** is presented to a **student** attending a post-secondary institution who has made a significant contribution to recreation, therapeutic recreation, parks and/or leisure services through his/her volunteer activities, work experience and academic studies. This recipient of this award will also receive \$200.00.

A nominee for this award will:

- have a high average in academic studies
- have demonstrated positive leadership among her/his peers
- have been active in the recreation field through volunteer activities, work experience and/or extracurricular pursuits

The statement of nomination for this award should respond to and include examples:

- What are the nominee's unique and outstanding achievements, including academic performance?
- How has the nominee contributed as a peer leader?
- How has the nominee's volunteer activities, work experience and/or extracurricular pursuits influenced his/her career aspiration in the recreation or related field.

RECOGNITION SERVICE AWARD

The **Recognition Service Award** is presented annually by the Board of Directors. The award recognizes individuals for years of service, for their support and work on the various committees, task groups and special projects of Recreation Manitoba.

NOMINATION GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

Nominations will be evaluated only on the merit of the submission received. As a nominator, it is your responsibility to reflect the achievements of the nominee to the selection committee, to draw out their exceptional nature. The nomination form must be completed, signed and all supporting material enclosed.

Recipients will be chosen in each category by the Selection Committee (unless otherwise stated), an independent group consisting of members of Recreation Manitoba. The decisions of the Selection Committee are final. The recipient of an award will be notified in advance. All nominees will also receive notification of the selection committee's decision.

The Selection Committee reserves the right to withhold an award in any category.

Nomination Criteria:

- Must be a resident of Manitoba
- Consent to their nomination by signing the nomination form
- The *Prairie Crocus Award* is the only award that requires the nominee to be a member in good standing of Recreation Manitoba.
- *Student Leadership Award only* – must be at least 18 years of age and enrolled full-time in an undergraduate Recreation, Recreation Management or related academic program from a recognized College or University in Manitoba
- Any individual (member or non-member), group or organization may be nominators

Nomination Submission Requirements:

- Fill out the **Nomination Forms**
- Submit **two (2) Letters of Support**
 - Letters of support is your opportunity to provide specific information not otherwise contained in the statement of nomination
 - Have supporters cover specific points raised in the statement of nomination but target different qualities you wish to highlight
- Submit a **Biographical Statement** - please include a **one-page** brief biographical statement (*i.e. occupation, membership, civic activities, leadership roles and other pertinent personal data*).

General Guidelines

- All submissions are requested to be typed or printed on white, 8½" x 11" paper
- Single sided and no staples please (use paper clips only)
- Retain a copy of the nomination form and materials for future reference and possible resubmission
- Remember to check the nomination form and send it complete with signatures from both the nominee and nominator
- Nominations have no posthumous provision

Completed nomination form and supporting material must be received **no later than Friday, November 6, 2020**. For more information, please call (204) 925-5651 or email info@recreationmb.ca

Mail, deliver or email completed nomination package to:

**Recreation Manitoba
Awards and Recognition Program
Room 103 – 145 Pacific Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R3B 2Z6**

***Email: info@recreationmb.ca**

****If you email your nomination package, please call the Rec MB office to confirm the email has been received.***



NOMINATION FORM

Please select award category (please ✓ check one):

- Prairie Crocus Award**
- Award of Merit**
- Student Leadership Award**
- Therapeutic Recreation Award of Excellence**
- Outstanding Recreation Facility Award**

Please print clearly or type:

Nominee's Full Name: _____

Contact Name (if an organization or group): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: (home) _____ (work) _____

Email: _____

I have read the information contained in my nomination, certify it to be true and correct and hereby allow my name to stand for nomination

Nominee's signature: _____

NOMINATED BY:

Name: _____

Contact Name (if an organization or group): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: (home) _____ (work) _____

Email: _____

I have read the information in this nomination and as the nominator, certify it to be true and correct in its entirety.

Nominator's Signature: _____

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATION is Friday, November 6, 2020.

Completed nomination form and supporting material must be mailed, delivered, or emailed no later than Friday, November 6, 2020 to:

Recreation Manitoba
Awards and Recognition Program
103 – 145 Pacific Avenue
Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3B 2Z6
info@recreationmb.ca

PRAIRIE CROCUS AWARD NOMINATION FORM

1. What are the nominee's unique and outstanding achievements?

2. How has the nominee contributed to advancing the recreation, therapeutic recreation, parks and/or leisure profession?

3. How has this nominee contributed as a role model for others in the profession?

4. How has this nominee made a positive impact in their community?

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD FORM

1. What are the nominee's unique and outstanding achievements, including academic performance?

2. How has the nominee contributed as a peer leader?

3. How has the nominee's volunteer activities, work experience and/or extracurricular pursuits influenced his/her career aspiration in the recreation or related field.

THERAPEUTIC RECREATION AWARD OF EXCELLENCE FORM

1. What are the nominee's unique and outstanding achievements?

2. What are the significant and sustainable contributions made by the nominee?

3. How has the nominee contributed to advancing the therapeutic recreation sector?
