



**Citation and
Performance Awards**

P R O G R A M

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***Message From His Worship
Mayor Don Iveson***



On behalf of City Council and the people of Edmonton, Alberta's Capital City, I welcome everyone to the 2014 Salute to Excellence Awards.

Great cities are built by people who are inspired to do more. This annual event recognizes outstanding Edmontonians for their contributions in the areas of arts and culture, community service, and sports. I congratulate all of this year's recipients for your involvement in our community. Your passion and leadership sets an example for others as we continue to build our growing city.

I thank the Salute to Excellence Council for organizing this annual event. Your efforts contribute to Edmonton's strong community spirit and enhance our reputation as a globally-competitive city.

Best wishes for an enjoyable evening!

Yours truly,

Don Iveson

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Don Iveson'.

Mayor



Welcome and Introductions

Linda Cochrane, General Manager, Community Services

Greetings from the City of Edmonton

His Worship, Mayor Don Iveson

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Reception and Entertainment

Please join us for refreshments after the ceremony. Note that food may contain traces of nuts.

Citation Awards

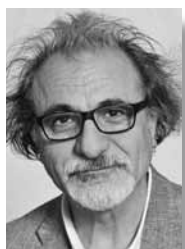
The City of Edmonton has earned its reputation as the City of Volunteers. Every facet of life in our city is enriched by the dedication of its citizens in arts and culture, community service, and sports.

Citation Awards honour those individuals or groups who have given significant service and inspiring leadership in these areas.



Jalal Barzanji

Arts and Culture



Jalal Barzanji has always been a passionate ambassador of freedom of expression. This poet, journalist, and human rights activist was born in Kurdistan. He endured three years of imprisonment in Iraq for writing about peace, human desire, and democracy. In 1998, he moved to Alberta as a United Nations refugee and became an active contributor to Edmonton's writing and multicultural communities. Barzanji was named Edmonton's first PEN Canada Writer in Exile, a role that enabled him to support other writers denied freedom of expression. His work empowered writers to add to the inclusiveness of Canada's literary culture. His memoir, *The Man in the Blue Pyjamas*, illustrates his rich cultural heritage and passion for human rights, as well as how new Canadians strengthen Canada.

Heather Bedford Clooney

Arts and Culture



Heather Bedford Clooney is a gifted music teacher and choral conductor whose choirs have won local, provincial, and national awards. She has given three decades to the Edmonton Columbian Choirs, conducting Chanteuses and serving as artistic director. Clooney has maintained a voice studio in Edmonton for 40 years and recently established an inner city choir. Under her direction, the Edmonton Kiwanis Festival now includes World Music and dance components. She has served as president of the Alberta Choral Federation, Association of Canadian Choral Conductors, and Opera NUOVA, and is executive director of the Federation of Canadian Music Festivals, Edmonton Kiwanis Music Festival, and Shean Competition.





Don Bouzek

Arts and Culture



Don Bouzek is a theatre director, videographer, and founder of Ground Zero Productions. His talent for creating new inter-disciplinary work pushes boundaries, often through projects that join professional artists with the voices of socially excluded people. Bouzek guides productions presenting stories from diverse communities, which otherwise might remain unheard. During Edmonton's year as Cultural Capital of Canada, Bouzek was coordinator for the Community Arts program, working to ensure inclusive access to funding. His collaborative efforts with artists like Maria Dunn have created new performances that capture and validate marginalized groups and vital segments of history. Recently, he has focused on documenting the history of Edmonton through projects about Mill Woods, Packingtown, and the GWG garment factory.

Wendy Grasdahl

Arts and Culture



Wendy Grasdahl is a trumpeter, conductor, and music educator. She is the founder, artistic director, and principal conductor of Festival City Winds, a society that offers opportunities for amateur musicians. As conductor of three of the society's four bands and overseer of all their performance aspects, Grasdahl has made substantial, enduring contributions. She frequently shares her expertise as a clinician and adjudicator at local, regional, and national levels and supports the wider musical community through membership in numerous organizations. Her involvement as an officer and director with the Canadian Forces Music Branch and 12 summers conducting adult bands at the Canada-USA International Music Camp are just some of the activities where her efforts have raised Edmonton's music profile.

Dorothy Jean Harris

Arts and Culture



Dorothy Jean Harris has pursued a lifelong mission to bring dance to everyone. A University of Alberta physical education and recreation professor, she founded and directed Orchesis, the university dance group for student choreography and performance in the annual theatre production *Dance Motif*. She co-created Triangles Creative

Enterprises to take dance workshops to elementary and secondary schools across Alberta. Harris created dance publications and learning resources for use in elementary to university settings, and has lectured and choreographed for conferences and symposiums throughout her career. An influential advocate for dance, she has been instrumental in the creation of leading dance organizations including Alberta Dance Alliance, Dance in Canada, and Dance and the Child International.

Todd Janes

Arts and Culture



Todd Janes is devoted to shattering barriers to art and creating meaningful dialogue for artists and audiences. For 18 years, he has been the executive director of Latitude 53 Contemporary Visual Culture, an organization presenting alternate art culture. Janes developed *Visualeyez*, Canada's annual performance art festival, an event that

attracts international artists to Edmonton. His vision leads Latitude 53 to collaborative partnerships with schools, diverse communities, and social justice sectors. An executive member of more than a dozen organizations, he has spearheaded many initiatives supporting experimental art practices and animating the broad range of Edmonton's distinct populations. An artistic, culturally creative, and respected arts advocate, Janes is in his sixth year as national president of the Artist-Run Centres and Collectives Conference.





Ken Regan

Arts and Culture



Ken Regan is an accomplished leader who has served 15 years at the helm of CKUA Radio. His dedicated stewardship raised the station from near financial collapse to a thriving enterprise, ensuring access to artistically varied music. Regan worked tirelessly to secure a new CKUA facility, raise funds, and support the station's transition.

His vision has helped shape, grow, and expand one of Canada's unique media enterprises—a vibrant cultural asset that promotes, supports, and defines arts and talent in Edmonton and Alberta. An active volunteer whose participation on extracurricular boards and associations is highly valued, Regan serves on the University of Alberta Senate. He has also volunteered with the Centre for Family Literacy and Canadian Association of Journalists' Ethics Advisory Committee.

Arnold Rumbold

Arts and Culture



Arnold Rumbold is a generous arts supporter and a tenor. As a member of the Richard Eaton Singers for 33 years, including 10 years as treasurer, he helped maintain the organization in a sound financial position. Part of the Richard Eaton Songsters, he volunteers with other members to provide entertainment at nursing homes and other

venues. Rumbold is a lead contributor to the Edmonton Symphony Society, Edmonton Opera Association, Opera NUOVA, Alberta Historical Foundation, and United Church of Alberta Historical Society. He served a term as treasurer for the Alberta Choral Federation and helped it through financial difficulties; volunteered with the Edmonton Radial Railway Society for 12 years; and recently retired from the Royal Canadian College of Organists after 30 years.

David Dodge

Community Service



David Dodge has generously served Edmonton for 20 years on a myriad of community projects. He spent two years as president and six years on the board of the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues. His ability to work with people on difficult civic issues helped the organization reach a new land license agreement for Edmonton's 157 community leagues. Dodge's efforts also led seven leagues to install solar energy systems. He sits on the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues' business planning and civil engagement committee and 100th anniversary committee, and on the Winter Cities Council. Always an instrumental participant, Dodge has served on the Renewable Energy Task Force, as president of Evansdale Community League, and on the Poplar Park Playground Committee.

Gillian Horwitz

Community Service



Gillian Horwitz has been an active community leader in Edmonton for 30 years. As president of Edmonton Hadassah-WIZO and vice-president of Canadian Hadassah-Wizo, she provided support to women, children, and healthcare initiatives in Canada and Israel. She served as president of Edmonton's Jewish Federation and spent 20 years providing Holocaust education. Horwitz was instrumental in establishing the Holocaust Education Symposium. She also helped found the annual Toby and Saul Reichert Holocaust Lecture at the University of Alberta Wirth Institute. She participated in the production of *Black Snow*, a film about Holocaust survivors in Edmonton, and spearheaded the fundraising and erection of the Holocaust memorial at the Alberta Legislature grounds. Horwitz spent a number of years volunteering on the Lois Hole Hospital and Compassion House committees.





Don Lore

Community Service



Don Lore has a more than 30-year history of community service in Edmonton. He coached in public schools, held executive positions in community leagues, served as co-chair and chair for his employer's United Way campaign, and volunteered extensively at the Edmonton Food Bank. As a member of the Edmonton Public Schools Foundation board of governors, Lore has helped raise funds to provide full-day kindergarten to vulnerable children. In sport, Lore has served as president and executive member for the Edmonton Piranhas Water Polo Association; coached the Alberta women's water polo U-18 team at the 1981 Canada Summer Games; coached University of Alberta women's intercollegiate water polo teams; and officiated at sanctioned tournaments and the Universiade Games.

George Murphy

Sports



George Murphy has been involved in Edmonton's sporting community for more than 40 years. He is an accomplished cross-country skier and instructor. Murphy also helped introduce orienteering to Edmonton and was instrumental in building the sport in Alberta. A founding member of the Alberta Orienteering Association and Edmonton Overlanders Orienteering Club, he brought his expertise to the Canadian Orienteering Federation board. Murphy ran an orienteering segment of Edmonton's World Masters Games, was team leader for the Canadian Ski-Orienteering team at World Championships in Italy and Bulgaria, and was key in establishing the Blue Lake Orienteering Leadership Training Clinics. His legacy includes coaching soccer, teaching judo, and serving as a liaison between amateur sporting groups.

Sports Performance Awards – Individual Awards

BOWLING

Tyler Tytgat

2014 Youth Bowling Canada National 5 Pin Championships, Winnipeg, MB
Gold, Junior Boys

CYCLING

Evan Burtnik

2013 National Track Cycling Championships, Dieppe, NB
Gold, Points Race (U17)
Gold, Match Sprint (U17)
Gold, Kilometre Time Trial (U17)

Kinley Gibson

2013 Union Cycliste Internationale World Junior Track Championships,
Glasgow, Scotland
Silver, Scratch Race

2013 Pan American Track Championships, Aguascalientes, Mexico
Gold, Omnium (Junior Women)
Gold, Team Pursuit

2013 Canadian National Championships, Lac-Mégantic, QC
Gold, Time Trial
Gold, Criterium

DIVING

Dominique Cadieux

2014 Junior Elite Nationals, Victoria, BC
Gold, 1m (Girl's 14-15)

Ethan Pitman

2014 Junior Elite Nationals, Victoria, BC
Gold, 1m (Boy's 16-18)
Gold, 3m (Boy's 16-18)
Gold, Platform (Boy's 16-18)

Cody Yano

2014 Canadian Summer Senior Nationals, Winnipeg, MB
Gold, 3m (Men's Senior)

Jacob Zimmel

2014 Speedo Junior National Diving Championships, Victoria, BC
Gold, Platform (Boy's 12-13)



SHOOTING

Wynn Payne

2013 National Rifle Championships, Beachburg, ON
Gold, Men's Prone (Veteran's Class)

SWIMMING

Ashton Baumann

2014 Canadian Swimming Championships, Saskatoon, SK
Gold, 200m Breaststroke

Adam Best

2014 Canadian Swimming Championships, Saskatoon, SK
Gold, 100m Backstroke

Kendra Chernoff

2014 Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) Swimming Championships,
Toronto, ON
Gold, 100m Butterfly

Gregory Farmer

2014 Canadian Age Group Championships, Winnipeg, MB
Gold, 50m Breaststroke

Richard Funk

2014 Canadian Swimming Trials, Victoria, BC
Gold, 50m Breaststroke
Gold, 100m Breaststroke
Gold, 200m Breaststroke

Natalia Howat

2014 Canadian Age Group Championships, Winnipeg, MB
Gold, 50m Butterfly (Girl's 13)

Kier Maitland

2014 Canadian Swimming Trials, Victoria, BC
Gold, 800m Freestyle

Ellie Maradyn

2014 Canadian Age Group Championships, Winnipeg, MB
Gold, 400m Freestyle
Gold, 1500m Freestyle
Gold, 200m Breaststroke
Gold, 200m Butterfly
Gold, 200m Individual Medley
Gold, 400m Individual Medley



Sophia Saroukian

2014 Canadian Swimming Trials, Victoria, BC
Gold, 1500m Freestyle

Jacomie Strydom

2014 Canadian Age Group Championships, Winnipeg, MB
Gold, 100m Butterfly (Girl's 16-18)
Gold, 200m Butterfly (Girl's 16-18)

WRESTLING

Michael Asselstine

2014 Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) Wrestling Championships,
Fredericton, NB
Gold, 61kg (Men's)

2014 Pan American Wrestling Championships, Mexico City, Mexico
Silver, 61kg (Men's)

Marlen Figueroa

2014 Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) Wrestling Championships,
Fredericton, NB
Gold, 67kg (Women's)

Kristy Sargent

2014 Senior Canadian Women's Wrestling Championships, Edmonton, AB
Gold, 82kg (Women's)

Team Awards

DIVING

Lazar/Pitman

2014 Junior Elite Diving Championships, Victoria, BC
Gold, 3m Synchronized Event (Boy's)
Jared Lazar
Ethan Pitman

LAWN BOWLING

Alberta Women's Triples Lawn Bowls Team

2014 Canadian Lawn Bowling Championships, Winnipeg, MB
Gold, Women's Triples
Amanda Berg
Claire Day
Val Wilson
Wendy Berg, Coach



TENNIS

University of Alberta Tennis Team

2014 Tennis Canada University and College Tennis Championship,
Montreal, QC

Gold

Pandas Tennis

Jasmine Filiatrault
Molly James
Ambika Mehta
Kristina Sanjevic
Michaela Sherven
Britt Voaklander
Erika Voaklander
Russ Sluchinski, Coach
Bryce Southworth, Assistant Coach
Ivan Quintero, Assistant Coach

Golden Bears Tennis

Herman Chaves Posse
Paul James
Marko Laschuk
Gergely Sajdik
Jordan Sluchinski
Tobiasz Strozyk
Adrian Urteaga
Drew Voaklander
Corey Stewart, Coach

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HOCKEY

University of Alberta Golden Bears Hockey

2014 Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) University Cup, Saskatoon, SK
Gold, Men's

Ian Barteaux
Thomas Carr
Jesse Craige
Jamie Crooks
Zack Dailey
James Dobrowolski
Torrie Dyck
Brett Ferguson
T.J. Foster
Jordan Hickmott
Colin Joe
Levko Koper
Johnny Lazo
Ben Lindemulder
Kurtis Mucha
Drew Nichol
Joel Ostman
Rhett Rachinski
Kruise Reddick
Sean Ringrose
Travis Rolheiser
Jordan Rowley
Luke Siemens
Barron Smith
Jarrett Toll
Travis Toomey
Brennan Yadlowski
Ian Herbers, Coach
Ryan Marsh, Assistant Coach
Dan Waschuk, Assistant Coach
Fernando Pisani, Assistant Coach



RUGBY

University of Alberta Pandas Rugby

2013 Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) Women's Rugby
Championships, Quebec City, QC

Gold, Women's

Ashley Amson

Stacie Becker

Teanna Chase

Louise Chavarie

Jennifer Cousineau

Kaitlyn Cumming

Kelsey Ewert

Allison Fairbairn

Rebecca Fairbairn

Alanna Fittes

Julia Goss

Chelsea Guthrie

Sara Haring

Steffany Hoffman

Samantha Jory

Sabrina Kelly

Maddy Laibida

Miranda Monty

Morgan Patzelt

Jordan Podealuk

Grace Quaale

Janelle Romanchuk

Brittany Rushfeldt

Carissa Rysko

Hayley Sandboe

Amanda Smith

Amy Speers

Elizabeth Steele

Amee Svatos

Dakota Weir

Matt Parrish, Coach

Jo Hull, Assistant Coach

Randi Ross-Hamre, Assistant Coach

Alex Game, Assistant Coach



SWIMMING

Keyano Women's 400 Freestyle Relay Team

2014 Canadian Swimming Championships, Saskatoon, SK
Gold, 400m Freestyle Relay, Women's

Natasha Fung
Paige Kremer
Lili Margitai
Fionnuala Pierse

Keyano Women's 800 Freestyle Relay Team

2014 Canadian Swimming Championships, Saskatoon, SK
Gold, 800m Freestyle Relay, Women's

Devon Bibault
Lili Margitai
Fionnuala Pierse
Sophia Saroukian

VOLLEYBALL

University of Alberta Golden Bears Volleyball

2014 Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) Men's Volleyball
Championship, Calgary, AB
Gold

Taylor Arnett
Ryley Barnes
Arran Chambers
Chris Dzioba
John Goranson
Tucker Leinweber
Shane Maisonneuve
Reed May
Matt McCreary
Christopher Morrow
Jarron Mueller
Ryan Nickifor
Jay Olmstead
Kevin Proudfoot
Mark Van Drunen
Brett Walsh
Brendan Yao
Terry Danyluk, Coach
Dale Johns, Assistant Coach
Kyle Pushkarenko, Assistant Coach
Brock Davidiuk, Assistant Coach



Masters Individual Awards

BOWLING

Aaron Arndt

2014 Master Bowlers' Association of Canada National Championships,
Winnipeg, MB

Gold, Men's Single

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CYCLING

Peter Toth

2012 World Masters Track Cycling Championships, Manchester, England

Gold, Points Race

Gold, Scratch Race

2013 World Masters Track Championships, Manchester, England

Bronze, Men's Team Pursuit

SWIMMING

Susan Chafe

2014 Canadian Masters Swimming Championships, Windsor, ON

Gold, 100m Butterfly (Women's 50-54)

Gold, 200m Butterfly (Women's 50-54)

Mike Vanden Ham

2014 Canadian Masters Swimming Championships, Windsor, ON

Gold, 50m Freestyle (Men's 30-34)

Barry Saretsky

2014 Canadian Masters Swimming Championship, Windsor, ON

Gold, 50m Freestyle

Gold, 100m Freestyle

Gold, 200m Freestyle

Gold, 50m Butterfly

Gold, 100m Butterfly

Gold, 100m Backstroke

Gold, 100m Individual Medley

SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING

Marjorie Anderson

2014 FINA Synchronized Swimming World Masters Championships,
Montreal, QC

Bronze, Solo (70-79 years)

2014 Canadian Masters National Championships, Calgary, AB

Gold, Solo (70-79 years)

Gail McKnight

2014 Canadian Masters National Championships, Calgary, AB
Gold, Solo (60-69 years)

Loretta Patterson

2014 FINA Synchronized Swimming World Masters Championships,
Montreal, QC
Silver, Solo (70-79 years)

TRIATHLON

Margie Ritchie

2014 ITU World Triathlon Grand Final, Edmonton, AB
Gold

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Masters Team Awards

ROWING

Edmonton Rowing Club

2014 Rowing Canada Aviron Canadian Masters Championships,
Burnaby, BC

Jacques Aarts

Gold, Lightweight Single F+ (Men's)

McKall/Slatter

Gold, Pair D+ (Men's)

Ray McKall
Frans Slatter

Gold, Straight Four AA+ (Men's)

Ray McKall
Charles Rannells
Glenn Rollans
Frans Slatter

Terry McKall, Coach

SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING

Edmonton Aquamasters

2014 Canadian Masters Nationals, Calgary, AB

Gold (19-34 years)

Jocelyn Brophy
Isabelle Colmers
Erin Monaghan
Laura Mumme
Amanda Prentice-Podjarkowski
Coreen Sheridan
Brittany Thurston
Tara Willan
Katie Upton, Coach

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Edmonton Aquamasters

2014 Canadian Masters Nationals, Calgary, AB

Gold (35-49 years)

Olivia Berg
Margaret Isley
Linda Svob
Cheryl Vest
Lianne White
Gail McKnight
Tiffany Starchuk, Coach

Edmonton Aquamasters

2014 Canadian Masters Nationals, Calgary, AB

Gold, Combo Finals (40-64 years)

Cindy Bishop
Xenia Cravetchi
Kris Girard
Gail McKnight
Lindsay Richards
Linda Svob
Catherine Szabo
Tonya Wolfe
Xenia Cravetchi, Coach

Edmonton Aquamasters

2014 Canadian Masters Nationals, Calgary, AB

Gold (65-79 years)

Georgina Adams
Marjorie Anderson
Hope Knudsen
Loretta Patterson
Heather Poulette
Christine Profiri, Coach

Edmonton Aquamasters

**2014 FINA Synchronized Swimming World Masters Championships,
Montreal QC**

Gold (65 years and over)

Georgina Adams
Marjorie Anderson
Hope Knudsen
Loretta Patterson
Heather Poulette



Olympic Awards

Sochi 2014 Winter Olympics, Sochi, Russia

BOBSLEIGH

Bryan Barnett

David Bissett

Jennifer Ciochetti

Neville Wright

FIGURE SKATING

Kaetlyn Osmond

Silver, Team Event

FREESTYLE SKI

Keltie Hansen

Mike Riddle

Silver, Half Pipe (Men's)

ICE HOCKEY

Jay Bouwmeester

Gold, (Men's)

Shannon Szabados

Gold, (Women's)

SKI JUMPING

Dusty Korek

SNOWBOARD

Crispin Lipscomb

SPEED SKATING

Jamie Gregg

Jessica Gregg



Paralympic Awards

Sochi 2014 Winter Paralympic Games, Sochi, Russia

ICE SLEDGE HOCKEY

Steve Arsenault

Bronze, (Mixed)

Congratulations Everyone!

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2014–2015 Salute to Excellence Council and Standing Committees

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Lyle Best

Sine Chadi

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Derek Drager

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Colleen Marchese

Melinda Pinfold

Ann Marie Reinson

Sol Rolinger

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Skip Smiley

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Salute to Excellence is the City of Edmonton's annual civic recognition program. The Salute to Excellence Citation and Performance Awards are held in the autumn.

In June, the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony takes place.

The Salute to Excellence Committee is comprised of volunteers representing the areas of arts and culture, community service, and sports.



**For more information
on the nomination process,
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