



**Citation and
Performance Awards**

P R O G R A M

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Edmonton



**Message from the Honourable Rachel Notley
Premier of Alberta**



On behalf of the Government of Alberta, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Salute to Excellence Citation and Performance Awards.

Excellence abounds in Alberta, and Edmonton is incredibly fortunate to have so many wonderful people who strive to make our community the best that it can be. As artists, philanthropists, community leaders, coaches, and athletes, your efforts have enriched the quality of life for people locally and around the globe.

As you gather to recognize distinguished community members and inspirational leaders, know that it is your enduring commitment to building up Edmonton that makes our province a wonderful place to call home.

Congratulations to this year's distinguished award recipients, and thanks to the City of Edmonton for organizing this celebration. Alberta has a bright, prosperous future ahead thanks to your efforts.

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Rachel Notley
November 27, 2017





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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 2017 Salute to Excellence Performance and Citation Awards.

Edmontonians have never shied away from a challenge. Regardless of the field of endeavour, our city's residents are known for rising to the occasion, exceeding expectations and accomplishing truly amazing things. Tonight, we recognize individuals who have gone above and beyond to help build our city in the areas of arts and culture, sport and community service. Their dedication and perseverance will help to inspire a new generation of change-makers.

I thank the organizers of Salute to Excellence for their efforts to recognize and elevate the contributions of fellow Edmontonians. This event gives us an opportunity to celebrate great leaders in our city and contribute to the cultural fabric of our city.

Yours truly,

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

Don Iveson, Mayor



Welcome and Introductions

Rob Smyth, Deputy City Manager, Citizen Services

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Janelle Martens

Greetings from the City of Edmonton

His Worship, Mayor Don Iveson

Presentation of Citation Awards

Arts and Culture

Community Service

Sports

Presentation of Performance Awards

Sports Performance Awards

Individual Awards

Team Awards

Masters Individual Awards

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.



Edmonton Winds

Arts and Culture

Lisa Anderson
Ray Baril
Roberta Baril
Jayne Montgomery
Barnes
Ray Basaraba
Shelley Benson
Nancy Breakey
Sean Bumstead
Amanda Chung
Lyndsey Cohen
Josiah Dunbar
John Dymianiw

Stephen Fong
Ken Fossey
Rob Graves
David Hayman
Chris Hodge
Rob Johnson
Tammy Kam
Lindsey Kemp
Janna Kozuska
Crystal Krips
Darwin Krips
Tristan Lahue
Suzanne Langor

Sam Malowany
Marla McCready
Ross McLean
Madison Myhre
Dale Osbaldeston
Duke Pier
Jackie Power
Morgan Richardson
Anne Ridgway
Janice Robinson
Sherri Roy
Bob Sadler
Darren Sahl

Nita Sankar
Maarten Schillemans
Dominique Shulhan
Dot Speers
Rob Speers
Susanne Thompson
Carol Thurgood
Roy Townend
Suzanne Vuch
James Walsh
Jolene Wong
Maureen Yule

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Front row (left to right): David Hayman, Shelley Benson, Jayne Montgomery-Barnes, Dorothy Speers, Sheri Roy, Marla McCready, Jacqueline Power
Second row: Suzanne Vuch, Nancy Breakey, Morgan Richardson, Nita Sankar, Tammi Kam, Jolene Wong, Janice Robinson, Lyndsey Cohen, Maureen Yule, Susanne Thompson
Third row: Darren Sahl, Dominique Shulhan, Lindsey Kemp, Lisa Anderson, Darwin Krips, (sub), Ross McLean, (sub), Suzanne Langor, Dale Osbaldeston, James Walsh, Josiah Dunbar
Fourth row: Roy Townend, Robin Speers, Fordyce Pier, John Dymianiw, Stephen Fong, Christopher Hodge, Raymond Baril, (sub), Rob Graves, Ray Basaraba, Janna Kozuska, Tristan Lahue, Amanda Chung, Roberta Baril, Madisson Myhre

Edmonton Winds has provided 41 years of service to Edmonton's musical community and the city at large with consecutive concert seasons since 1982. This accomplished group is dedicated to promoting its art through the performance and recording of challenging, high quality repertoire. With a reputation for playing new music by Edmonton composers, they have taken part in countless events including the prestigious 2015 World Association of Symphonic Bands and Ensembles, Jungfrau Music Festival, and tours through France and Spain. As well as providing free concerts to support various groups, they visit an Edmonton area high school each year, to inspire young musicians to continue playing after graduation, and contribute to the continuity and strength of Edmonton's wind band tradition.

Bette-Joan Cebuliak Rac, A.R.C.T., R.M.T.

Arts and Culture



Bette-Joan Cebuliak Rac has made a profound impact in Edmonton's music community, teaching piano to more than 350 individuals over 50 years. A full-time teacher for much of this period, she continually developed her ability to play and teach all 12 grades in the Royal Conservatory of Music. Her successful ability to teach the skills she developed in her own 36 years of training

contributed to several of her students receiving the highest marks in the Edmonton area Alberta Registered Music Teachers' Association Royal Conservatory of Music exams. Students describe her approach to teaching as open-minded, big-hearted, and visionary.

Gail Sidonie Sobat

Arts and Culture



Gail Sidonie Sobat is a nationally recognized author of 11 books for children, teens, and adults. A fearless writer, she has proven herself a skilled storyteller, unafraid to raise difficult questions. In addition to inspiring others through her writing, she has worked tirelessly to mentor young writers and adults through writing programs and camps including YouthWrite and

JustWrite. She has worked as a writer-in-residence in schools, hospitals, and prisons, as well as through her former role as president of the Celebration of Women in the Arts. An ambassador for Edmonton and literary culture, Sobat serves as the Alberta representative for the Writers Union of Canada and has been an integral element in the development of countless writers.



Lucas Waldin

Arts and Culture



Lucas Waldin is an inspirational artist who has conducted the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra more than 150 times and served as a guest conductor for prestigious orchestras across Canada and the United States. A proven leader, he has served as a programmer and principal conductor for Symphony for Kids and other education concerts, and played a significant role

in building an after school program for under-served young people—Youth Orchestra of Northern Alberta Sistema. Dedicated to ensuring music in Edmonton is accessible, Waldin has promoted inclusion by developing programming for children and families that reflect and celebrate Edmonton's diversity.

Wendy Andrews

Community Service



Wendy Andrews is a deeply committed volunteer, dedicated to improving quality of life both in Edmonton and internationally. She is a founding member, co-chair, or chair of numerous organizations that include Recreation for Life Foundation, Wellness Alberta, World Figure Skating Championships, and many others. A compassionate leader,

her work as co-chair of North America for Adopt a Village involves collaboration between Edmontonians and Hondurans to address water, sanitation, education, and economic development. Andrews' work with the Alberta Peloton Association helped bring the Tour of Alberta to the province, an annual sport tourism event that shines a light on Edmonton by reaching 40 million screen viewers worldwide.



Chris Buchanan

Community Service



Chris Buchanan is an active member of the Lago Lindo Community League. A former director with the Edmonton Minor Soccer Association, he began coaching soccer in 2008. Three years later, Buchanan accepted a position on the board and focused on building the league's soccer program and making soccer more accessible for children of all ages, especially those from less fortunate families. Further demonstrating leadership and compassion, he organized a campaign and tournament to raise funds for the family of a terminally ill fellow soccer coach. Now serving as league president, his skilled guidance and passionate enthusiasm continue to have a positive impact in Edmonton.

Carolina (Cara) Roemmich

Community Service



Carolina (Cara) Roemmich is passionate about ensuring people know they are honoured and welcome. She has led and participated in numerous organizations including North Glenora Community League, North Glenora Playschool, and North Glenora Pond Hockey. She worked with the Maskihkîy Âcimowin/Medicine Stories project to create space for people to share their stories on reconciliation. An integral part of the Refugee Response Group, Roemmich helped bring a 13-member family from Syria to Edmonton. Also a frequent volunteer at Coronation School and City Hall School, she is an inspiring mentor to students. Her outstanding contributions have encouraged many others to volunteer.



Terry Morris

Sports



Terry Morris has devoted himself to nurturing the sport of curling for more than 40 years. A talented administrator, he has worked with the Shamrock Curling Club and Northern Alberta Curling Association to build strong volunteer boards and improve business practices. He helped establish the Alberta Curling Federation and developed the Business of Curling

Symposium, an approach adopted by Curling Canada. Morris founded the Northern Alberta Championship Curling Society, an organization established in 1999 to assist curling clubs in developing and promoting curling. He has brought three major briers to Edmonton, including the 2005 Brier, which still holds the attendance record for a curling event. His multi-faceted contributions have enriched the sport of curling in Edmonton and the province.



Sports Performance Awards – Individual Awards

BADMINTON

Ryan Chen

2017 Junior Pan American Championships, Markham, ON
Bronze, Doubles (Men's U11)

Yunzhi Chen

2017 Junior Pan American Championships, Markham, ON
Silver, Singles (Men's U17)

2017 Canadian Junior Badminton Championship, Moncton, NB
Gold, Singles (Men's U17)
Gold, Doubles (Men's U17)

Gabriel Ching

2017 Junior Pan American Championships, Markham, ON
Bronze, Doubles (Mixed U11)

Julian Lau

2017 Junior Pan American Championships, Markham, ON
Bronze, Doubles (Mixed U13)

Ty Lindeman

2017 Pan American Badminton Championship, Havana, Cuba
Silver, Doubles (Men's)

2017 Canadian National College-University Championship,
Quebec City, QC
Gold, Doubles (Mixed)

Raphael Motel

2017 Canadian Jr. Badminton Championship, Moncton, NB
Gold, Doubles (Men's U17)

Natalie Nakatsui

2017 Junior Pan American Championships, Markham, ON
Bronze, Doubles (Mixed U13)

Desmond Wang

2017 Canadian Jr. Badminton Championship, Moncton, NB
Gold, Doubles (Men's U17)



**Josephine Wu**

2017 Pan American Badminton Championship, Havana, Cuba

Gold, Doubles (Women's)

2017 Canadian National Championship, Saskatoon, SK

Gold, Doubles (Women's)

2017 Canadian National College-University Championship,
Quebec City, QC

Gold, Doubles (Mixed)

CYCLING**Devaney Collier**

2017 Pan American Track Cycling Championships, Couva, Trinidad

Gold, Team Pursuit (Women's Elite)

Kinley Gibson

2017 Pan American Track Cycling Championships, Couva, Trinidad

Gold, Team Pursuit (Women's Elite)

Silver, Individual Pursuit (Women's Elite)

2016 Canadian National Track Cycling Championships, Milton, ON

Gold, Individual Pursuit (Women's Elite)

GYMNASTICS**Emma Payne**

2016 Indo Pacific Championships, Napier, New Zealand

Bronze, Tumbling (Women's 15-16)

Kendra Korbut

2016 Indo Pacific Championships, Napier, New Zealand

Gold, Tumbling (Women's 15-16)

Alexandra Forest

2016 Indo Pacific Championships, Napier, New Zealand

Gold, Double Mini Trampoline (Women's 15-16)

Silver, Tumbling (Women's 15-16)

2017 Canada Cup, Calgary, Alberta

Gold, Double Mini Trampoline (Women's Junior)

Trish Quinney, Coach

SWIMMING

Drew Edwards

2017 Canadian Junior Championships, Toronto, ON
Gold, 5 km Open Water (Men's 14-18)

Emma O'Croinin

2017 Canadian Junior Championships, Toronto, ON
Gold, 800 Freestyle (Women's 13-14)
Gold 400 Freestyle (Women's 13-14)

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Team Awards

BADMINTON

Eyota Kwan

2017 Pan American Junior Badminton Championships,
Markham, ON
Bronze, Doubles (Women's U19)

BOWLING

2017 Five Pin Junior Boys

2017 Youth Bowl Canada National Championships,
Gatineau, QC/Ottawa, ON
Gold, Five Pin (Men's 11-14)

Seth Bobinec
Ira Burns
Dylan Hagen
Noah Nielsen
Stephane Vaillancourt, Coach

2017 Five Pin Senior Boys

2017 Youth Bowl Canada National Championships,
Gatineau, QC/Ottawa, ON
Gold, Five Pin (Men's 15-18)

Michael Marciano
Tyler Tytgat
Bradly Tytgat
Iain Wardell
Kevin House, Coach



Five Pin Mixed

2017 Canadian Youth Challenge Five Pin Bowling Championship, Ottawa, ON

Gold, Five Pin (Mixed 12-18)

Brooklynn French
 Jenna Lamoureux
 Teagan Makar
 Michael Marciano
 Bradly Tytgat
 Tyler Tytgat
 Gerry Anderson, Coach
 Ernie McLellan, Coach

Five Pin Men's

2017 Canadian Open Championships, Sudbury, ON

Gold, Five Pin (Men's 18+)

Sean Heller
 Adam Kemp
 Evan Lacoursiere
 Mike Lacoursiere
 Freddie Tofflemire
 Adam Weber
 Timothy Wiseman

HOCKEY

University of Alberta Pandas Hockey Team

2017 U Sport's Women's Hockey Championships, Kingston, ON

Gold (Women's 18+)

Alison Barnett
 Abby Benning
 Amy Boucher
 Morgan Burr
 Kirsten Chamberlin
 Chelsea Dearsley
 Cayle Dillon
 Megan Eady
 Hannah Fouillard
 Kennedy Ganser
 Morgan Kelly
 Taylor Kezama
 Lisa Lloyd
 Sasha Lutz
 Autumn MacDougall
 Ashley Morin
 Deanna Morin
 Erica Nelson
 Hannah Olenyk
 Jessie Olfert
 Dayna Owen
 Lindsey Post
 Alex Poznikoff
 Jaslin Sawatzky

Kelsey Tangjerd
Lindsay Weech
Regan Wright
Howie Draper, Coach
Joel Jackson, Conditioning Coach
Darren Bilawchuk, Assistant Coach
Dean Bruce, Assistant Coach
Ian Bablitz, Assistant Coach
Leah Copeland, Assistant Coach
Fahreen Rayani, Sport Psychologist



SOCCER

University of Alberta Golden Bears Soccer Team

**2016 Canadian Interuniversity Sport Men's Soccer Championships,
Guelph, ON**

Gold (Men's 18+)

Daniel Barker-Rothschild
Armaan Bhinder
Cameron Borrett
Stefan Bozunovic
Tomasz Chodorski
Dhaamin Clarke
Sebastian Crema
Nikko Cuglietta
Noah Cunningham
Zac Delaney
John Dyck
Ricardo Eguren-Echais
Tolu Esan
Tyler Graham
Tim Hickson
Connor James
Calum Jardine
Victor Karosan
Ajay Khabra
Jordan Lonsdale
Kirk Moody
Niko Saler
Ajeej Sarkaria
Cameron Sjerve
Luke Snihurowych
Janko Vong
Dustin Wardrop
Jared St. Thomas
Bruno Zebie
Len Vickery, Head Coach

SWIMMING

Nick Kostiuik

2017 U Sports Swimming Championships, Sherbrooke, QC

Gold, 100m Breaststroke (Men's 18+)

Gold, 200m Breaststroke (Men's 18+)

TENNIS

University of Alberta Pandas Tennis Team

2017 Canadian University Tennis Championships, Toronto, ON

Gold (Women's 18+)

Natasha Barrett

Mackenzie Brinsmead

Ashley Burke

RJ Gan

Alina Jurca

Maki Oba

Kristina Sanjevic

Michaela Sherven

Riyo Tomita

Russ Sluchinski, Head Coach

Carson Bell, Assistant Coach

Ivan Quintero, Assistant Coach

TRACK AND FIELD

Paige Rideout

2017 U Sports Track and Field Championship, Edmonton, AB

Gold, Pole Vault (Women's 18+)

Spencer Allen

2017 U Sports Track and Field Championship, Edmonton, AB

Gold, Pole Vault (Men's 18+)

Carline Muir

2017 U Sports Track and Field Championship, Edmonton, AB

Gold, 300m dash (Women's 18+)

Austin Cole

2017 U Sports Track and Field Championship, Edmonton, AB

Gold, 300m Dash (Men's 18+)

University of Alberta Pandas 4x200m Track and Field Team

2017 U Sports Track and Field Championship, Edmonton, AB

Gold, 4x200m Relay (Women's 18+)

Cassandra Grenke

Carline Muir

Grace Werner

Ashley Whiteman



Masters Individual Awards

BADMINTON

Andrew Ng

2017 Canadian Masters Badminton Championship, Winnipeg, MB
Gold, Singles (Men's 60+)

Lily Gallegos

2017 World Masters, Auckland, New Zealand
Gold, Singles (Women's 60+)

CYCLING

Gail Wozny

2016 Canadian Track Cycling Championship, Milton, ON
Gold, Individual Pursuit, (Women's)

SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING

Marjorie Anderson

2017 17TH FINA World Championships, Budapest, Hungary
Gold, Solo (Women's 70-79)
Gold, Duet (Women's 70-79)

Loretta Patterson

2017 17TH FINA World Championships, Budapest, Hungary
Gold, Duet (Women's 70-79)
Silver, Solo (Women's 70-79)
2016 US Masters Synchronized Swimming Championships,
Oro Valley, Arizona
Bronze, Solo (Women's 70-79)



Masters Team Awards

BADMINTON

Rene Gallegos

2017 World Masters, Auckland, New Zealand

Gold, Doubles (Men's 60+)

Lily Gallegos

2017 World Masters, Auckland, New Zealand

Gold, Team (Women's 60+)

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ROWING

Edmonton Rowing Club Masters Men's Pair

2016 Rowing Canada Aviron (RCA) Canadian Masters Championships,
Regina, Saskatchewan

Gold, F+Pair (Men's 60+)

Doug Lynass

Frans Slatter

Camil-Alexandru Teodorescu, Coach

Edmonton Rowing Club Masters D+ Coxed 4 Crew

2016 Rowing Canada Aviron (RCA) Canadian Masters Championships,
Regina, Saskatchewan

Gold, D+Coxed 4 (Men's 50+)

Cathy Flood

Andras Kerekes

Kerry Mummery

Charles Rannells

Glenn Rollans

Camil-Alexandru Teodorescu, Coach

SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING

Edmonton Aquamasters

2016 US Masters Synchronized Swimming Championship, Arizona, USA

Silver, Team (Women's 20-29)

Erin Gallagher
Paulina Hauf
Megan Lemoine
Laura Mumme
Elizabeth Scott
Cheryl Vest
Tara Willan
Lindsey Wilson
Meaghan Hipkin, Coach
Vanessa Keenan, Coach

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Edmonton Aquamasters

2016 US Masters Synchronized Swimming Championship, Arizona, USA

Silver, Team (Women's 40-49)

Cindy Bishop
Kris Girard
Gail McKnight
Dayna Myers
Lindsay Richards
Carena Snyder-Pueschel
Catherine Szabo
Tonya Wolfe
Xenia Cravetchi, Coach
Meaghan Hipkin, Coach

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***Salute to Excellence* is the City of Edmonton's annual civic recognition program. In the autumn, the *Salute to Excellence* Citation and Performance Awards are held and, in June, the Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony takes place.**

The *Salute to Excellence* Council is comprised of volunteers representing the areas of sport, arts and culture, and community service.

For more information
on the nomination process
please visit
www.edmonton.ca/salute
or contact the Salute to Excellence
Coordinator at **780-496-7380**

Hall of Fame

Nomination deadline: February 16, 2018

The Hall of Fame recognizes and honours the lifetime achievements of Edmonton's most outstanding citizens who through their contributions in arts and culture, community service, and sports, or through extraordinary service to their communities, have made exemplary contributions to the quality of life in Edmonton.

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