



Canadian Institute of Forestry Institut forestier du Canada

NATIONAL AWARDS PROGRAM

Canadian Institute of Forestry – Institut forestier du Canada award recipients earn this distinction through demonstration of exceptional accomplishments in the field of forestry.

Prince of Wales Award: To annually recognize the achievements of an outstanding young forest professional in Canada, so as to encourage engagement in and dedication to the principles of sustainable forest management policy, planning and practice, sound science based land stewardship, and public outreach and knowledge exchange focusing on the wise use and conservation of forests and the ecosystems that they encompass.

Canadian Forestry Achievement Award: The award recognizes individuals who have made unique and outstanding achievements in the field of forestry. It appreciates the value of consistent exceptional contributions made over a lifetime to the field of forestry in addition to singular momentous achievements. This award has the objective of encouraging excellence in the forestry profession.

Canadian Forestry Scientific Achievement Award: This award recognizes individuals who have made innovative and outstanding achievements in forestry research in Canada. Recognition can be for developing new practices, processes, or techniques, or for demonstrating the practical applications of research in forestry. This award has the objective of encouraging innovation, exploration, application, and excellence in forest research.

Canadian Forest Management Group Achievement Award: This award recognizes groups or teams who have made significant, unique, and outstanding contributions to forest management in Canada. It appreciates the multidisciplinary nature of forest ecosystem management by recognizing the many groups that are required to come together in the process. This award has the objective of encouraging excellence and leadership in group contribution to Canadian forest management.

International Forestry Achievement Award: This award recognizes individuals who have made unique and outstanding contributions or achievements in international forestry. It recognizes that Canada is a world leader in the practice of forestry and appreciates the actions of individuals who have shared this leadership with other nations. It can also recognize the actions of an individual to bring nations together to better forestry practices globally. This award has the objective of encouraging excellence and cooperation in international forestry.

James M. Kitz Award: This award recognizes individuals who make significant, unique, and outstanding contributions in the field of forestry early in their career. It is named for James M Kitz, a member of the institute and an Alberta professional forester who met a sudden and untimely death at 36 years of age. Jim established a reputation early in his career for numerous contributions to the field of forestry. This award honours those contributions and the man by recognizing individuals who exemplify his lifestyle.



Presidential Award: This award recognizes individuals who have made significant or consistent outstanding contributions to the profession and practice of forestry. It appreciates the hard work, dedication, and commitment that individuals provide. This award has the objective of encouraging individuals to contribute to the leadership, promotion, and understanding of the profession and the practice of forestry.

Schlich Memorial Prize: This award recognizes an outstanding student chosen by the university and technical school(s) represented by the Section(s) hosting the annual general meeting. The Schlich Memorial Prize is named after Sir William Schlich, who was born in 1840 and was a German forester who became Inspector General of Forests to the Government of India. He also founded the School of Forestry at Oxford in 1905, and was knighted in 1909 for his many achievements. He passed-away in 1925 and the Oxford Forestry School sponsored a campaign to create a fitting memorial - the Schlich Memorial Fund. The trust itself was established in 1929, initiating the recognition of outstanding contributions to forestry in a number of countries including the UK, Australia, New Zealand, the U.S. and Canada.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Generally not more than one award per category will be given each year.
2. Outstanding achievement shall be judged on the basis of:
 - (a) An individual in the discipline of forestry for distinguished personal contribution that has resulted in substantial advances in the science or practice of forestry; (*Canadian Forestry Achievement, Canadian Scientific Achievement, Presidential*) or,
 - (b) Dedicated and dynamic leadership in domestic or international management, research, affairs of professional and scientific societies, or education; (*International Forestry Achievement, Presidential*) or,
 - (c) An individual is within, approximately, the first 15 years of their forestry career (therefore someone who is “young” to the profession but older in years would still qualify) who has made outstanding contributions to the forestry discipline in a shorter period of time; (*James M. Kitz*) or,
 - (d) Superior personal or group accomplishments in forestry or related fields where the results obtained contribute to the advancement or promotion of the forestry profession; (*Canadian Forest Management Group Achievement, Presidential*).
3. Recipients need not be members of the Institute provided that their contributions are judged to be of outstanding importance to forestry in Canada.
4. The recipient has not previously received the award being considered.



NOMINATION PROCEDURE

- Nomination forms are available from:
 - the Canadian Institute of Forestry National Office
 - http://cif-ifc.org/site/national_awards
 - Canadian Institute of Forestry Sections
- Nominations for the award may be proposed by an Institute's Section Council, three Institute members, Chair of a Working Group, or an Executive Committee member.
- It is recommend (but not mandatory) that the nominee be informed of the nomination in order to ensure eligibility and veracity of information presented
- The original nomination document must be received at the Canadian Institute of Forestry National Office by **June 1**. **Only complete nominations documents received by the deadline will be considered by the Awards Committee.**
- Nominations from previous years can be resubmitted if it is still considered relevant.

The following items must be included in the nomination document:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Nomination form	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Including nominator signature(s).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Summary of qualifications and experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not to exceed one (1) page.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Independent evidence of the impact of achievement in work, profession, community and/or service to clients,	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not to exceed twenty-five (25) pages.• For purposes of the National Awards program, clients can include individuals, students, industry, government, the public, or other non-government organizations.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter of reference by nominators	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each letter not to exceed two (2) pages.• Addresses the nominee's special qualifications for the award.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Additional letters of reference (Part 4 of nomination form)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• From individuals or groups knowledgeable of the nominee's qualifications, each not to exceed two (2) pages.• Letters from outside of the nominee's place of employment are encouraged.



THE AWARD

The award will consist of a wooden plaque and an appropriate citation

Selection Criteria

Consideration is given to impact on society, and/or industry, and/or forestry, and/or the Canadian Institute of Forestry or profession, ingenuity, complexity, environmental and economic impacts, and service to the profession and community.

Announcement

The awards are presented by the President of the Canadian Institute of Forestry during a special ceremony of the Institute's conference and annual general meeting.

The Award recipients agree to standard publicity notification arranged by the Canadian Institute of Forestry. Details of the award will be published in *The Forestry Chronicle* and on the Institute's web site (www.cif-ifc.org).

Deadline

By **June 1st**, an original of the completed nomination document must be received by registered mail or courier to the Canadian Institute of Forestry national office.

For More Information:

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NOMINATION FORM

- National Awards Program -

NAME OF AWARD:

PART 1: NOMINEE INFORMATION

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Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
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Business Address	City, Province	Postal Code	Tel #
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Home Address	City, Province	Postal Code	Tel #
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Signature (optional)

Date

The Nominee is: **an individual** **a group**

*** Please provide a summary of the individual's or group's qualifications and experience (not to exceed one (1) page).*

PART 2: NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Origin of

Nomination:

- Canadian Institute of Forestry Section: _____
(Section to provide letter stating council/member endorsement)
- Three Institute Members: _____
- Chair of Working Group: _____
- Executive Committee Member: _____

*** Each Nominator must provide a letter of reference (each letter not to exceed two (2) pages).*

Has this nomination been discussed with the nominee? Yes __ No __ If no, please explain:

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Nominator 1:

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Postal Code

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Signature

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Nominator 2 (if applicable):

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- **Ingenuity:**

The ingenuity displayed in the conception, design, and execution of the nominee's work/leadership as it applies to the advancement of the field of forestry and/or the Canadian Institute of Forestry as the voice of forest practitioners in Canada.

This section should describe how the nominee has shown initiative and demonstrated leadership. Describe if the field of forestry has been advanced and/or if the Canadian Institute of Forestry or the profession has been advanced.

- **Complexity:**

The complexity of the nominee's work/leadership in addressing forestry issues in the nominee's area of expertise and/or projects/activities within the Canadian Institute of Forestry.

This section should describe the special skills or knowledge required to complete the task and if team work was required. Also describe if the research/product is available/useable by the forest industry. Also comment on the timelines of the research/product.

- **Environmental and Economic Impacts:**

This section should discuss whether the work/leadership was achieved in a manner that recognized and promoted sustainable forest development with consideration of the environment.

- **Service to the Profession and the Community:**

This section should include such areas as the practice of forestry; the teaching of forestry; the undertaking of forestry research; working with the public to better understand the role of forestry and forest practitioners in Canadian society; and active participation in forestry associations, societies, and institutions such as volunteer work in the community, service clubs, and charitable organizations.

- **Personal and General Information:**

Provide additional information on the individual's/group's education, publications, directorships, honours and decorations, years of dedicated service to the Canadian Institute of Forestry or profession, and other relevant information.

PART 4: ADDITIONAL LETTERS OF REFERENCE

Please provide letters of reference from individuals or groups knowledgeable of the nominee's qualifications (each not to exceed two (2) pages). Attach letters to the submission including telephone contact information for the references. References and nominators may be contacted to clarify any information regarding the nomination. Send completed nominations to:

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