

J. MICHAEL WALDRAM

Memorial Model Forest Fellowship

The Canadian Model Forest Network has established the J. Michael Waldram Memorial Model Forest Fellowship, offered as part of the suite of awards bestowed annually by the Canadian Institute of Forestry. The first Fellowship was awarded in 2008.

J. Michael (Mike) Waldram was the General Manager of the Manitoba Model Forest since its inception in 1993, until his passing in January 2006.

Mike strove to enhance the participation of Aboriginal peoples in the Model Forest program as well as in forest management decision making. In particular, Mike viewed the participation of Aboriginal youth as an integral component of the future of Aboriginal involvement in all aspects of natural resource management. One of sustainable forest management's strongest supporters, Mike began his career with his graduation from the University of New Brunswick, Faculty of Forestry. Shortly thereafter, Mike was applying his forestry knowledge with the Ontario government in forests across northern and northwestern Ontario. As a Registered Professional Forester (RPF), Mike would become well known in government and the forest industry.

His passion and love for the forest, coupled with a gifted ability to bring together diverse peoples from all walks of life, along with their differing perspectives and viewpoints, will continue through the ongoing progress and future achievements of the Canadian Model Forest Network, and all Canadian Aboriginal youth who benefit from his legacy.

The J. Michael Waldram Memorial Model Forest Fellowship is valued at \$1,000. It is open to all Canadian Aboriginal youth enrolling in at least their second year in either a degree or diploma program in natural resource management at a Canadian university or college. The Fellowship is jointly administered by the Canadian Institute of Forestry (CIF-IFC) and the Canadian Model Forest Network (CMFN).

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APPLICATION CRITERIA

1. The individual is a Canadian Aboriginal youth (under 30 years of age).
2. The individual is enrolling in at least their second year in either a degree or diploma program in natural resource management at a Canadian university or college.
3. The individual has not previously received the Fellowship.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

1. A signed application form for the award may be submitted by anyone who meets the application criteria.
2. The applicant is required to write a letter (not to exceed 500 words) describing their interest in natural resources, and why they would like to be considered for the fellowship.
3. Individual letters of support from the applicant's former educational institution (e.g., high school), family or community are encouraged.

Application forms are available from the following websites:



Canadian Institute of Forestry
Institut forestier du Canada

www.cif-ifc.org

Completed application forms must be received by May 15, 2021.

Canadian Institute of Forestry
PO Box 99, Mattawa, Ontario, P0H 1V0
admin@cif-ifc.org
Information: 705.744.1715 x 585

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SELECTION CRITERIA

Consideration will be given to the individual's:

- **Capability:** S/he demonstrates initiative, leadership and interest in natural resources.
- **Service to the Community:** S/he indicates an interest in providing a service to the community (e.g. either the natural resource community or their family community).
- **Personal and General Information:** Include additional information about the individual that is relevant to the Fellowship.

THE FELLOWSHIP

A \$1,000 award will be provided with an appropriate citation. In addition, the successful applicant will receive a one-year student membership to the **Canadian Institute of Forestry**.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Fellowship will be formally presented at a special ceremony during the Canadian Institute of Forestry Annual General Meeting.

Fellowship recipients agree to standard publicity notification arranged by the Canadian Institute of Forestry and the Canadian Model Forest Network and their partners. Details of the fellowship will be published in *The Forestry Chronicle* and on the Institute's web site (www.cif-ifc.org) and publications of the Canadian Model Forest Network.

DEADLINES

By **May 15, 2021**, an original of the completed application must be received by registered mail or courier at the Canadian Institute of Forestry national office.

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▶ APPLICATION FORM ◀

PART 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____

Address _____

City, Prov/Territory _____ Postal code _____

E-mail _____

Tel _____

Fax _____

NATURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM

Name of School _____

Address _____

City, Prov/Territory _____ Postal code _____

Program _____

PART 2 : LETTER OF INTEREST BY APPLICANT

The applicant is required to write a letter (not to exceed 500 words) describing their interest in natural resources and why they would like to be considered for the fellowship.

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PART 3 : ADDITIONAL LETTERS OF REFERENCE

- Letters of reference from individuals or groups knowledgeable of the applicant (each not to exceed two (2) pages).
- Attach letters of reference to the submission, including telephone contact information for the references.
- References may be contacted to clarify any information regarding the application.