



Canadian Institute of Forestry Announces 2023 National Award Recipients in Recognition of Outstanding and Unique Accomplishments to Forestry in Canada

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Mattawa, ON – Wednesday, September 27, 2023 – The Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada (CIF-IFC) is pleased to announce the [2023 CIF-IFC National Award recipients](#).

“Each year, the CIF-IFC presents a number of Awards in recognition of outstanding and unique accomplishments to forestry in Canada,” mentioned Mark Pearson, CIF-IFC Executive Director. “Recipients may earn distinction through demonstration of exceptional achievements in the field of forestry.”

The Awards were presented at the 2023 CIF-IFC Annual National Awards Ceremony on September 25, 2023 at the Vancouver Island Conference Centre in Nanaimo, British Columbia (BC).

Please find the CIF-IFC 2023 National Award recipients listed and linked below:

1. Forest Capital of Canada Designation for 2024 – [Mackenzie Region of Northwest Alberta](#)
2. Canadian Forestry Achievement Award – [Daniel Macmaster of Midway, BC](#)
3. Canadian Forestry Scientific Achievement Award – [Dr. Richard Hamelin of Vancouver, BC](#)
4. Canadian Forest Management Group Achievement Award – [Forest Management and Wetland Stewardship Initiative](#)
5. Presidential Award – [Edward Czerwinski of Nasonworth, NB](#)
6. James M. Kitz Award – [Nicholas Dormaar of Prince George, BC](#)
7. Schlich Memorial Prize – [Ashlynn Moore of Courtenay, BC; and Mackenzie Guild of Pemberton, BC](#)
8. Gender Diversity and Inclusion Award – [Apsana Kafle of Edmonton, AB](#)
9. Gender Diversity and Inclusion Group Achievement Award – [Canfor Corporation – Prince George Woodlands Division](#)
10. International Forestry Achievement Award – [Dr. Terry Sunderland of Vancouver, BC](#)
11. Prince of Wales Award for Sustainable Forestry – [Ryan Wilkie of Thunder Bay, ON](#)
12. Volunteer Award – [Andres Enrich of Nanaimo, BC; and Gregory Herringer of Port Alberni, BC](#)
13. Section of the Year – [Vancouver Island Section](#)
14. Golden Year Club – [David Haley of the Vancouver Island Section; Dennis I. Anderson of the Vancouver Island Section; Bruce Dancik of the Rocky Mountain Section; Terry Schwan of the Southern Ontario Section; Gordon Murray of the Algonquin Section; Dr. Ronald D. Ayling of the Ottawa Valley Section; Rodney](#)



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- [Smith of the Ottawa Valley Section; and Steven D. Talbot of the Maritimes Section](#)
15. Tree of Life Award – [Scott Formaniuk of the Rocky Mountain Section; Trevor Stanley of the Manitoba Section; Douglas Paul Drysdale of the Southern Ontario Section; and Eric Young of the Newfoundland and Labrador Section](#)
 16. Canadian Institute of Forestry Award of Excellence – [Natasha Machado, Director of Programs and Initiatives, CIF-IFC; Tanisha Rajput, Forest Education Coordinator, CIF-IFC; and Sharon Yang, Forest Science Program Coordinator, CIF-IFC](#)

Formed in 1908, the CIF-IFC is the national voice of forest practitioners and many others with an interest in forestry and forests. The Institute strives to provide national leadership, promote competence, and foster public awareness of Canadian and international forestry/forest issues. To learn more about the CIF-IFC National Awards Program, visit: cif-ifc.org/national-awards

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