



Edmontonians to be honoured at Salute to Excellence

Edmontonians are invited to join the City of Edmonton as we celebrate a diverse group of residents at the 2015 Salute to Excellence Performance and Citation Awards. This year's recipients includes athletes, CEOs, and volunteers.



Date: Monday, November 23

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: City Room, City Hall, 1 Sir Winston Churchill Square

The 2015 Salute to Excellence Citation Awards honour individuals or groups who have given significant service and inspiring leadership in the areas of arts and culture, community service, and sports. This year's recipients are:

Arts and Culture:

- Susanna Biro - a gifted leader with 45 years dedicated to Hungarian folk dance instruction and choreography.
- Harry Farmer - The late Farmer was the musical director for CFRN (now known as CTV Edmonton) for 15 years.
- Scott Leithead - founder and artistic director of the Kokopelli Choir Association and Today's Innovative Music Edmonton (TIME).
- Shawna Lemay - award-winning author and highly regarded member of Edmonton's poetry scene
- John Estacio - JUNO-nominated composer.
- Jeremy Spurgeon - founding member for Pro Coro Canada and performer with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra.

Community Service:

- Paul Douglas - devoted volunteer and president and chief executive officer, PCL Constructors Inc.
- Edmonton Emergency Relief Services Society - The organization aids uninsured residents who lose their homes in a fire or other disaster with basic supplies, information and referrals at no cost.
- Howaida Hassan - a committed volunteer with the Islamic Family and Social Services Association board.
- Lindsay Kelly - past chair of the Mental Health Foundation.
- Glori Meldrum - founder and chair of Little Warriors, a national charitable organization dedicated to the prevention and treatment of child sexual abuse.

Sports:

- Gary Kerr - co-founder of the Terwillegar Riverbend Soccer Association.
- Sandra Orr - dedicated 25 years to darts at the provincial, national and international levels

The Salute to Excellence Performance Awards honour individuals, groups and teams who have gained outstanding recognition at the national or international level in sport, and arts and culture. More than 150 athletes will be recognized for their achievements in a variety of sports levels, including the masters-level.

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