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Media Invitation to Attend

Wednesday, May 4, 9:30 am – 12:30 p.m. CST

Royal Saskatchewan Museum, Regina, SK

Interviews available at 12:30 p.m.

News Release

14th Annual Awards for Achievement in Education for Sustainable Development

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How will we move toward a sustainable future in Saskatchewan? Who will lead us there? RCE Saskatchewan invites you to meet inspiring sustainable development leaders in Saskatchewan. Join us, virtually or in person, as we recognize 26 local initiatives that have furthered the [UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals](#) to move to meet the 2030 and 2050 goals as outlined by the Paris Accord.

The Royal Saskatchewan Museum in Regina is hosting the awards ceremony (9:30 am – 12:30 pm), which will be accessible in person and virtually [LIVE STREAM](#). RCE Saskatchewan's Patron, His Honour the Honourable Russ Mirasty, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, will be in attendance.

The projects educate, encourage, and engage others in local action that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Recipients will include home grown community projects and educational programs from such diverse groups as the University of Regina, Ducks Unlimited, the Prince Albert Historical Society, Saskatchewan Polytechnic, SaskOutdoors, Calling Lakes EcoMuseum and others. Regina Public Schools will receive the Lyle Benko Future Generations Awards for its "Ecole Centennial Land Based Learning" project. This award is for an outstanding Education for Sustainable Development project in Kindergarten to Grade 12. The Department of Film, Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance at the University of Regina will receive the Dr. Garth Pickard Award for Post-Secondary Excellence in Education for Sustainable Development for its "Engaging Climate Change: Creativity, Community, Intervention" university course.

The awards ceremony will be followed by a keynote address on Education for Sustainable Development in the Anthropocene, presented by Dr. Charles Hopkins, UNESCO Chair in Re-Orienting Education Toward Sustainability at York University, as well as tours of the new Royal Saskatchewan Museum exhibit, "Home: Life in the Anthropocene."

RCE Co-Coordinator, Dr. Roger Petry, is proud of the fact that more than 200 initiatives have been recognized since their inception in 2008. "These recipients are so positive, focused, and creative and so deserving of recognition. Our annual awards are the highlight of the year for us."

The public is welcome at the event. Pre-registration is not required.

Agenda, May 4, 2022

- 8:30 a.m. Registration Desk Opens/ Morning Snacks
- 9:30 a.m. Event Start: MC Dr. Roger Petry
- 9:35 a.m. Entrance of Vice-Regal Party
- 9:40 a.m. Elder Lorna Standingready
- 9:50 a.m. Address by His Honour the Honourable Russ Mirasty, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan
- 10:00 a.m. Welcome Addresses and Introduction of Sponsors and Guest
- 10:20 a.m. Awards ceremony
- 11:50 a.m. Special Awards
 - Lyle Benko Future Generations Award
 - The Garth Pickard Award for Post-Secondary Excellence in Education for Sustainable Development
- 12:05 p.m. Presentation to His Honour the Honourable Russ Mirasty
- 12:10 p.m. Keynote Address: [Dr. Charles Hopkins](#): *Education for Sustainable Development in the Anthropocene*
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch Break
- 1:15 p.m. Musical Performance by [Songs for Nature](#)
- 1:30 p.m. Tours of the Royal Saskatchewan Museum's [Home: Life in the Anthropocene](#)

For more information:

- RCE Event organizer: Margret Asmuss, rcesk.event@gmail.com or (306) 654-2075
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- RCE Saskatchewan: Dr. Roger Petry, roger.petry@uregina.ca;
- RCE Saskatchewan Web Site: www.saskrce.ca
- [What is RCE Saskatchewan Video](#)
- Live Stream [Link](#)
- [Royal Saskatchewan Museum](#)

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2022 Recipients

Initiative	Organization(s)
Academics for Climate Community Lecture Series	University of Regina
Design of a Soil Farm for Mosaic Potash Belle Plaine	Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science at the University of Regina
Earth Connection Therapy Garden Collaboration	Earth Connections
École Centennial Land Based Learning Project	Regina Public Schools
Education and Explorations in Being Responsible Software Engineers	Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science at the University of Regina
Energy Course with Indigenous Elements for University students	Department of Physics University of Regina
Engaging Climate Change: Creativity, Community, Intervention Course	Department of Film, Faculty of Media, Art and Performance, University of Regina
Friends of the Valley	Meewasin Valley Authority
Global Education Program	Luther College High School
Kistapinanihk/Omabiciye Makoca "The Gathering Place"	Prince Albert Historical Society
Mapping Probable Illegal Dumping Sites Using Remote Sensing Indices	Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science at the University of Regina
Outdoors Learning Virtual Workshops	SaskOutdoors
PET/PETE Recycled Plastic Waste as Concrete Admixtures	Saskatchewan Polytechnic
Pollinator Paradise YXE	Wild About Saskatoon and NatureCity Experience
Pop-Up Bike Co-op	Bike Regina
Regina Butterflyway Project	Regina and Area Butterflyway Rangers
Riversdale Community Fridge	Riversdale Community Fridge/University of Saskatchewan
Sage Creek Prairie School	Sage Creek Prairie School
Soil from Nothing: The Effectiveness of Biochar in Soil Reclamation	Saskatchewan Polytechnic
Solar-Driven Treatment System for Agricultural Dugout Water Quality Improvement	Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science at the University of Regina
Species at Risk Program	Saskatoon Zoo Society Inc.
The legacy of Saskatoon's Hidden Forest: Inspiring Eco-Champions	Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc.
We Love our Lakes -- Tire Clean Up	Calling Lakes Ecomuseum
Web Engineering the Projects and Profiles on RCE Saskatchewan's Website	Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science at the University of Regina
WILD Outside Saskatchewan	Canadian Wildlife Federation
Zesty Kits Food Footprint Reduction Program	ZestyKits