

CURLING ALBERTA AWARD NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN!

Even though the curling season was cut short this year, Curling Alberta will continue the tradition of celebrating the extraordinary people who have made a significant contribution to our curling community.

Three types of awards will be granted by Curling Alberta this season:

1 CLUB OF THE YEAR

Awarded annually to a member club or community curling centre which displays outstanding impact in and on the community. Areas of consideration may include: development of innovative programs and services; alignment to the provincial programs (e.g. whole of sport approach); evidence of volunteer management strategies (attract, develop, retain); evidence of financial sustainability / viability: sound leadership practices (role descriptions for committees and key club roles, robust governance practices); community engagement (e.g. with other clubs, schools, sponsors, external stakeholders or community groups); coach and/or instructor development processes in place; retention and growth of a diverse membership; success in fundraising and management of large capital projects; etc. Clubs are encouraged to selfnominate for this award. Only member clubs of Curling Alberta are eligible for this award.

CURLING COMMUNITY HERO (NEW AND ONLY FOR 2021!)

This award serves to recognize those who made an extraordinary contribution to the sport of curling and their community this season (e.g.- volunteer, administrator, ice technician, official, curler, instructor, coach, partner, team, etc.). This is your opportunity to recognize the tireless contributor at your club who makes it a better place, always willing to lend a hand for the common good. Up to 10 Curling Community Hero awards will be given this year.

B PRESIDENTS' AWARD

Awarded annually to anyone as selected by the President of Curling Alberta for outstanding service to the sport of curling. Current Board members are not eligible. Nominations for this award will be considered but the recipient is usually self-selected by the President.

SAVE THE DATE

Each award winner will be invited to a golf tournament hosted by Curing Alberta's Board and staff on July 31st at the Leduc Golf & Country Club in lieu of the annual awards banquet. The golf tournament will also be open for public registration on June 3rd. Further information is coming soon, so keep your eye on Curling Alberta's website and social media for the details.

THE NOMINATION PROCESS

To make a nomination, simply send an email to **info@curlingalberta.ca** by May 9th to tell the selection committee why your nominee is so deserving. You are welcome to submit any additional testimony, pictures, or documentation to support the nomination. Nominations may be submitted by anyone, and self-nominations are also welcome. Please keep in mind that the awards are open to recognize contributors of any scope, whether local or provincial. Remember to give specific examples of what your candidate has done that make their contribution special and/or significant.