# Report to Council



**Date:** April 3, 2023

To: Council

From: City Manager

**Subject:** 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Civic & Community Awards Finalist Announcement

**Department:** Active Living & Culture

#### Recommendation:

THAT Council receives, for information, the report from Active Living & Culture, dated April 3, 2023, that announces the finalists for the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Civic & Community Awards.

### Purpose:

To announce Kelowna's 48th annual Civic & Community Awards finalists.

#### Background:

The City of Kelowna's annual Civic & Community Awards recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made in our city each year. The program includes 13 awards that honour volunteers, artists, athletes, environmentalists, and businesses. Up to three finalists are selected in each category, with one recipient being announced during the awards ceremony.

#### Discussion:

The following categories will be awarded as part of the 48<sup>th</sup> annual awards:

- Bob Giordano Memorial Award Coach or Sport Administrator of the Year
- Bryan Couling Memorial Award Athletic Team of the Year
- Male and Female Athlete of the Year
- Augie Ciancone Memorial Award Top Male & Female High School Athlete of the Year
- Teen Honour in the Arts
- Honour in the Arts
- Champion for the Environment
- Corporate Community of the Year
- The Central Okanagan Foundation Volunteer Organization of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- The Fred Macklin & Sarah Donalda-Treadgold Memorial Award Citizen of the Year
- Anita Tozer Memorial Award selected by Mayor and Council

Two categories also have scholarship components, with finalists in the Young Citizen of the Year Award receiving scholarships from the Payton and Dillon Budd Memorial Fund Youth Scholarship, and the recipient of the Teen Honour in the Arts Award receiving an entrance scholarship to UBC Okanagan.

This year's celebration will include a gala event to celebrate the achievements of the finalists and award winners. In addition, short videos highlighting the accomplishments of the finalists will be shared and promoted throughout the month of April to allow for broader community recognition.

#### Conclusion:

The 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Civic & Community Awards Night, to formally announce the award recipients for each category, will be held on Thursday April 20, 2023, at the Laurel Packinghouse. Tickets will be allocated to finalists, their friends and family, sponsors, members of council and special guests.

Each year the award recipients are further recognized at Jim Stuart Park, with their names on an individual name plate.

#### Internal Circulation:

Communications
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## Considerations applicable to this report:

## Considerations not applicable to this report:

Legal/Statutory Authority: Legal/Statutory Procedural Requirements: Existing Policy: Financial/Budgetary Considerations: External Agency/Public Comments:

Communications Comments:

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Attachments: 2023-04-03 Presentation – 48th Annual Civic Awards Finalists Announcement

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