

Fifth Annual  
KAWARTHA LAKES  
**YOUTH**   
*Awards*

**KAWARTHA LAKES YOUTH AWARDS FILLABLE FORM**

**EMAIL COMPLETED FORM AND PHOTO OF NOMINEE TO [nominations@bgckawarthas.com](mailto:nominations@bgckawarthas.com)**

**OR MAIL COMPLETED FORM AND PHOTO OF NOMINEE TO 107 Lindsay St. S, Lindsay, ON K9V 2M5**

**COMPLETED FORMS due Friday, March 8, 2024**

**ELIGIBILITY:** All nominees must have strong ties to the City of Kawartha Lakes. For every category, individuals or groups may be nominated. Current or past involvement with BGC Kawarthas is only required for the BGC Club Spirit Award. Any group or individual is welcome to submit a nomination for a Youth Achievement Award, including to nominate themselves. Each individual can only be nominated in two categories, plus the Ron Kennedy Scholarship if applicable. If someone is nominated in two categories, two forms, one per category, must be filled for the nominee individually.

A photo of the nominee is also required. The nominee may have their photo displayed in our brochures and our presentations, and the form on Page 2 must be completed to allow their photo to be taken at the event.

**CHECK APPROPRIATE AGE DIVISION:**

Age 12 – 17

Age 18 – 24

*The nominee must be within the age division as of December 31, 2023.*

**CHECK APPROPRIATE AWARD: (one category per nomination form)** *For information on the criteria for each award, see page 6.*

Arts Achievement Award

Humanitarian Award

Physical Literacy Award

Entrepreneurship Award

Leadership Award

BGC Club Spirit Award (18-24yr winner receives the Marcie Beall Scholarship)

Green Award

Resiliency Award

Ron Kennedy Scholarship: This nominee is transition to post-secondary education or training in the next 12 months and should be considered for the Ron Kennedy Scholarship.



**CONSENT FORM - MEDIA AND PROMOTIONAL  
DISCLOSURE**

**This page needs to be completed so BGC Kawarthas can photograph the nominee at the event.**

Nominee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Media & Promotional Disclosure:** I acknowledge and agree that my Child may participate in an event or activity at, or operated by, the BGC Kawarthas and/or BGC Canada, or both, at which photographs, video(s), audio or similar or other recordings of Club members, including of my Child (hereinafter referred to as a "Personal Likeness"), maybe taken for the purpose of representing the BGC Kawarthas and/or Canada on or for promotional and other materials and advertising. I hereby give the BGC Kawarthas and/or the BGC Canada consent to use, disclose and reproduce my Child's Personal Likeness for promotional, marketing, fundraising and advertising purposes. I acknowledge and agree that my Child's Personal Likeness may be published or reproduced in newsprint, promotional videos, television commercials, program brochures, posters, the Internet or otherwise displayed to the public or used for other promotional, educational and/or fundraising purposes, in whole or in part, by the BGC Kawarthas, BGC Canada and/or external partners thereof.

Signature of Parent/Guardian if nominee is a minor: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read, understand, and agree to the above statement. \_\_\_\_\_ Initials

## TO BE COMPLETED BY THE NOMINEE

### REVIEW AND CONFIRMATION: *(from page 1 of nomination form)*

The contact information you have is correct

I have been placed in the correct age category

I understand that BGC Kawarthas will share details from my statement of nomination, and hereby consent. I have read the attached media and promotional disclosure consent form. (Page 2)

I understand that I can only allow my name to stand in two categories *(plus, if applicable, the Ron Kennedy Scholarship)*

If you wish to submit supporting materials (links to your work, article, other recognition) you may send to [nominations@bgckawarthas.com](mailto:nominations@bgckawarthas.com)

The Ron Kennedy Scholarship will be provided to one nominee who is transitioning to post-secondary education in the next 12 months.

I confirm I am transitioning to post-secondary education or training in the next 12 months.

I am not transitioning to post-secondary education or training in the next 12 months.

By signing this document, you accept the nomination and the attached media promotional disclosure consent form.

Signature of Participant:

Date:

Signature of Parent or Guardian of Minor Participant:

Date:

### PREMIER SPONSORS



**NOMINEE INFORMATION:** *Please make sure contact information is accurate or have the nominee fill out this section. If the nominee does not have a personal email or telephone number, put the number and/or email of a parent or guardian.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian Name (IF NOMINEE YOUNGER THAN 16) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINATED BY:** (NAME OF INDIVIDUAL AND/OR ORGANIZATION) Submit at least one telephone number or one email.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**WHY SHOULD THE AWARD GO TO THEM?** (required):

Fill out a statement of nomination (minimum of 200 words, maximum 1000, continued on pages 4-5) describing why the individual would be deserving of this award. (Use a separate sheet of paper if needed. You can also email or mail a separate document for this part, and send it alongside this form.) If hand-written, your writing must be legible.

Your statement of nomination should provide concrete examples of actions the candidate has taken to be worthy of this award. Please also reference any community involvement or volunteer activities. (Example: Candidate “organized a street clean up event which involved 50 volunteers who diverted 9 bags of trash from the environment” vs. Candidate “planned a street clean-up in our neighbourhood.”)



Provide at least two references who can attest to the information in your form. Only one can be a family member. If you do not know the contact information for your reference, please reach out to them. The telephone number and email are allowed to be a parent's or guardian's if the reference doesn't have one. The information must be up to date.

Reference Name:

Telephone: E-Mail:

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*A minimum of 2 references will be contacted for shortlisted candidates.*

**ADJUDICATION PROCESS:**

Committees of 3 including 2 representatives of BGC will determine 3 finalists for each award using a standard scoring rubric. A minimum of 2 references must be reached. Scoring from the reference checks will be used to determine the final winner. The reference check may involve a recorded video call. Nominators will be informed whether their nominee is a finalist. All finalists will be invited to and mentioned at the recognition event. The winner will be revealed at the event. The committee has the right to declare no recipient for an award if they feel the nominees do not adequately meet the award criteria.

**NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN MARCH 8, 2024.**

**By mail:** 107 Lindsay Street South, Lindsay, ON K9V 2M5

**By email:** nominations@bgckawarthas.com

# AWARD CATEGORIES

## **BGC Club Spirit Award**

The recipient of this award demonstrates the Club's core values, such as Belonging, Respect, Encouragement & Support, Working Together, and Speaking Out. Celebrating BGC Clubs Model for Success' the award reflects the strength of Spirit a youth has gained with their positive contribution. To be eligible the recipient must be currently or previously involved with BGC Kawarthas. The winner in the 18-24yr category also receives the Marcie Beall Scholarship Award.

## **Arts Achievement Award**

The recipient of this award has demonstrated originality and passion in creating, promoting or celebrating art. The art category is broad and includes visual art, music, theatre, dance, film, literature, artisan crafts and digital media. Creating art can include the design and production of original work, and promoting and celebrating art could include marketing, organizing gatherings or promoting the art of others. This award has been created in partnership with the Kawartha Lakes Arts Council.

## **Entrepreneurship Award**

The recipient of this award demonstrates the qualities of an entrepreneur. Entrepreneurs often exhibit qualities such as innovative or "out-of-the-box" thinking, willingness to take a risk, ability to plan for the future, and an independent energetic spirit.

## **Green Award**

The recipient of this award has made a difference in environmental or sustainability issues in the community. They have shown extraordinary leadership, commitment, and/or dedication toward improving the natural environment or sustainability of some aspect of the community. This award has been created in partnership with Fleming College.

## **Humanitarian Award**

The recipient of this award has displayed through their beliefs and actions that all human beings deserve respect, equality and dignity. They have worked to alleviate suffering and promote human dignity and have shown courage and conviction by standing up for, and speaking out, in support of others.

## **Leadership Award**

The recipient of this award understands themselves, their goals and vision. They are able to harness various strengths, approaches, and skills in order to influence, interact and communicate with others. This individual has demonstrated the ability to motivate a group of people to achieve a common goal together.

## **Resiliency Award**

The recipient of this award has shown an ability to overcome obstacles, persevere when problems arise and to bounce back from adversity. They have faced challenges, delays and opposition on the road to success. They haven't just survived, they have thrived.

## **Physical Literacy Award**

The recipient of this award has demonstrated physical literacy skills and understands the value of being active for life. This individual has encouraged and demonstrated sportsmanship by consistently showing respect for fellow participants, coaches, volunteers, officials, goal setting and competition.

## **Ron Kennedy Scholarship**

A nominee, who is transitioning to post-secondary education or training in the next 12 months, can also be considered for the Ron Kennedy Scholarship (\$500 value). Ron Kennedy exemplified all the qualities represented by our eight award categories. This scholarship, established by the family of our founder, Ron Kennedy, will be awarded to one individual from our full slate of nominees. This nominee is transitioning to post-secondary education or training in the next 12 months and should be considered for the Ron Kennedy Scholarship.



## **Ron Kennedy Scholarship Application**

Ron Kennedy spent a lifetime dedicated to working with disadvantaged and disabled youth. His contributions to our community include the formation of Kawartha Youth Incorporated in 1970, which later became BGCKL, but go well beyond the creation of this club. Ron was a natural leader, humanitarian, entrepreneur, environmentalist, coach, mentor and artist. Every one of the Kawartha Lakes Youth Awards embodies qualities displayed by Ron Kennedy. The successful recipient of the Ron Kennedy Scholarship will be one nominee who best exemplifies Ron's natural gifts.

*The Ron Kennedy Scholarship will be awarded to the candidate who can demonstrate strong community involvement and volunteerism and who exemplify qualities that Ron embodied.*

**Please answer the following questions together in an essay in your own words. (500-1,000 words)**

1. Please tell us how you have demonstrated community involvement and/or tell us about your volunteer work. Where have you volunteered and what roles did you play?
2. Comment on how you may exemplify any of the following of Ron's characteristics: natural leader, humanitarian, entrepreneur, environmentalist, coach, mentor or artist.
3. Please tell us how this scholarship will benefit you.