



The Darryl Cruickshank Memorial Award

The Darryl Cruickshank Memorial Award was established to honour the contributions of Darryl Cruickshank to the Interprovincial Standards Red Seal Program. The award is presented biannually to a Canadian who has demonstrated inspirational leadership in the promotion and development of apprenticeship training for aspiring skilled tradespersons.

Darryl was devoted to his work with the Red Seal Secretariat and the provision of opportunities for young people to achieve high standards of skilled trades competence. He believed strongly that a qualified Canadian tradesperson should be certified to practice their trade anywhere in Canada and worked tirelessly to promote the Interprovincial Standards Red Seal Program.

Working closely with apprentices, employers and administrators of apprenticeship programs, Darryl was able to encourage:

- apprentices to “stay the course” through to the achievement of certification and interprovincial endorsement;
- employers to take on the responsibility of training the next generation of skilled tradespersons; and
- apprenticeship system administrators to be creative and flexible in designing trades training systems.

Darryl was a “can do” person on a mission to raise skilled trades training and certification standards in every province and territory.

Darryl Cruickshank’s contributions to apprenticeship training and certification will be remembered for many years to come through the Darryl Cruickshank Memorial Award which represents a “Red Seal” standard of dedicated service to others.

The Award

The **Darryl Cruickshank Memorial Award** will be awarded nationally on a biannual basis to an individual for outstanding achievement in the development and promotion of apprenticeship training in Canada. The recipient of the Award will be honoured by the Canadian Council of Directors of Apprenticeship (CCDA), at the biannual conference of the Canadian Apprenticeship Forum.

Criteria

Award recipients will have made an outstanding contribution to the promotion and development of apprenticeship training in Canada or the province or territory in which they work. The recipient will have distinguished himself or herself through one or more of the following:

- ongoing promotion of apprenticeship training as a means to a successful and productive career;
- innovation in the development or implementation of apprenticeship programs;
- support to apprentices as they strive for success.

Specifically, an individual who has:

- Participated in activities that encourage, motivate and promote dedication and passion in a skilled trade
- Served as a role model for success for young skilled tradespersons
- Demonstrated qualities of outstanding leadership in apprenticeship

While trades certification is not a prerequisite for the award, special consideration will be given holders of an Interprovincial Red Seal endorsement as well as supporters of apprenticeship programs and apprentices.

Timelines

Directors of Apprenticeship will publish/distribute a call for award nominees by March 1st, 2010 with a one-month deadline for nominations. Nominations for the award may be made by anyone on the prescribed nomination form available by download from the Red Seal website (www.red-seal.ca). Completed nomination forms must be e-mailed to the Red Seal Secretariat at Stephane.Ouellette@hrsdc-rhdcc.gc.ca by April 16th, 2010.

Selection of the recipient will be made by members of the Executive Committee of the Canadian Council of Directors of Apprenticeship.

The recipient will receive the Award at the biannual conference of the Canadian Apprenticeship Forum in St. John's, Newfoundland on June 6, 2010.

