



2010 Chinese Canadian Youth Achievement Awards

Application Guidelines

The Chinese Cultural Centre Youth Chapter (CCCYC) is dedicated to celebrating the outstanding talent and achievements of Chinese Canadian youth, and to encourage youth to strive to be role models in their communities through active participation.

Awards Overview

The Chinese Canadian Youth Achievement Awards recognize successful youth who have excelled in various talents and contributions to the community. Since the inception of the Awards in 2000, the Chinese Canadian Youth Achievement Awards will mark its 10th anniversary this year. Therefore, CCCYC hopes to make this year's ceremony our biggest event ever in celebrating this major milestone.

The Achievement Awards are awarded to individuals in four award categories chosen by a panel represented by active members of the community.

The four categories of Awards are:

1. *Performance Arts* – participation or practice of theatre, dance, music or related arts performed as an individual or in a group.
2. *Visual Arts* – creation of works which are visual in nature, such as (but not limited to) painting, drawing, photography, sculpture, crafts, textile, printmaking, or digital art.
3. *Athletics* – participation or practice of an individual or team sport, game or exercise that involves physical skill and stamina.
4. *Leadership & Community Service* – participation and/or leading of activities and services for the benefit of a community to strengthen a sense of civic, social, or cultural engagement to develop educational, social, and personal goals.

Three winners of each category will be awarded a plaque and a scholarship:

- Gold Award - \$500
- Silver Award - \$300
- Bronze Award - \$200

Eligibility:

1. 13 to 25 years old.
2. Be of Chinese descent.
3. A Canadian citizen or permanent resident in Ontario, Canada.
4. Nominated by two adults over the age of 25. Nominators must not be immediate family members of the applicant.

Deadlines:

October 25, 2010	Application Deadline
Mid November	Notification of interview candidates
November 27 & December 4, 2010	Interviews with Judging Panel
Mid December	Notification of Award recipients
Tentatively January 15, 2011	Chinese Canadian Youth Achievement Awards*

* Winners of the Performance Arts category are requested to perform at the Awards Ceremony. Winners of the Visual Arts category are requested to display their work during the Awards Ceremony.

Application Instructions:

Applicants may enter into ONE of the four award categories by completing the following:

1. The Nomination Form
2. The Personal Information Form
3. The Application Form
4. Relevant Supporting Documentation (see guidelines below)

Supporting Documentation:

1. A portfolio of work for the Visual Arts category. Applicants should only submit hardcopy or digital photographs of artwork. Original artwork is not accepted and will only be reviewed during interviews. Applicants may also provide a brief description of each piece of artwork (i.e. medium used, whether it is a replica or own creation, etc.), in 100 words or less. The portfolio must contain a minimum of 5 pieces and maximum of 10 pieces.
2. A video or audio recording for the Performance Arts category. CCCYC will NOT be hosting live auditions.
 - a. Media format requirements:
 - i. Video: PC format (wmv, avi, mpg, swf, Quicktime), DVD, VHS videotape, or personal offline website on a disc.
 - ii. Audio: Cassette tape, CD, mp3.
 - b. A recording or specified track on an audio medium. Please note **the judging panel will only review the first 15 minutes** of the medium submitted.
 - c. In an event that the medium cannot be viewed and/or heard, you will be notified immediately and must provide a new or alternate version to CCCYC before the application deadline. Any entries received after the deadline will NOT be considered.
3. A minimum of one letter of reference from nominators outlining their relationship to the applicant, the applicant's achievements and list specific qualities or accomplishments otherwise not mentioned in the application.
4. Submission of additional documentation of recognition and other letters of reference relevant to the applicant's award category are encouraged but not required (see Application form for additional details).

Completion of Forms:

The full application form is available at www.cccyc.com.

Applicants may fill out the application form electronically and print it for submission.

Submission:

Please submit your completed application by mail or in person to the Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto. The Chinese Cultural Centre will, to the best of its ability, preserve the qualities of submissions with photographs or audio / visual material.

Your application to the 2010 Chinese Canadian Youth Achievement Awards must be postmarked (Canada Post) on or before October 25, 2010. Late and incomplete applications will not be considered.

CCCYC respects the submission of personal information and is committed to using all personal information provided by the applicant in the application package solely for the purpose of award selection and promotion. All information will be kept strictly confidential.

Contact Information:

For more information on the Chinese Canadian Youth Achievement Awards, please visit the CCCYC website at: www.cccyc.com

Enquiry hotline: (416) 292-9293 extension 232

Email: info@cccyc.com

Address:

Attn: Chinese Canadian Youth Achievement Awards
Category of award's type (i.e. Visual Arts)
Chinese Cultural Center of Greater Toronto
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If you are interested in volunteering for the Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto Youth Chapter, please send us an email with your name and contact info at volunteer@cccyc.com