

Presentation of Awards

- A high-quality plaque will be presented to the recipient or his or her representant at the Awards Gala event held during the National Surveyors Conference. The plaque will be professionally engraved with;
 - the name of the project
 - the year of the award
 - the name of the winning organization.
- Photographs of the successful candidates receiving their awards will be taken, and these photographs, along with representations of the project poster, may be posted in the following media;
 - The publicly accessible part of the ACLS website ('National Awards' Page), along with brief write-up. These postings will remain online for a period of at least three years. Furthermore, all professional geomatics associations and academia involved with geomatics will be encouraged to link their respective websites to the 'National Awards' link in the ACLS website.
 - An article in the Communiqué newsletter.
 - Permission to reprint these articles in other electronic or print publications will be given at the discretion of the ACLS or Professional Surveyors Canada Executive Director.

2011 WINNERS



Contribution to Society

WINNER: MMM Group
(Murray Shantz, OLS)
Project Title: Holy Cities



FINALIST:

- GENIVAR (Brandon MacDonald, NBLs)
Project Title: New Brunswick Wind Farm



Innovation in Geomatics

WINNER: McElhanney Associates
(Jim Christie, BCLS, CLS)
Project Title: GPS
Monitoring of BC Place
Stadium Roof



FINALISTS:

- Underhill & Underhill
(Christopher El-Araj, BCLS)
Project Title: Science World
- MMM Group (Rocky Annett, ALS, CLS)
Project Title: The BOW

Unusual Application in Geomatics

WINNER: McElhanney Associates
(Jim Christie, BCLS, CLS)
Project title: Capilano Suspension Bridge



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5th Annual

DAVID THOMPSON NATIONAL GEOMATICS AWARDS

Celebrating excellence in the field
of Geomatics in Canada

Call for
Nominations and Submissions

Entry Deadline:

March 31st, 2012

The David Thompson National Geomatics Awards were created to honour the innovation, dedication and creativity of professional surveyors in Canada. The program is presented in conjunction with Professional Surveyors Canada to celebrate professional excellence in the field of geomatics.

Named after David Thompson, an explorer and surveyor who almost single-handedly mapped Canada's vast, unknown interior 200 years ago, these awards represent the pinnacle of work in the areas of:

Innovation in Geomatics
Contribution to Society
Unusual Applications in Geomatics



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GÉOMÈTRES PROFESSIONNELS DU CANADA
PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS CANADA



Nomination Criteria

Who is eligible:

- A commissioned surveyor who was directly involved in the project being submitted may make a submission
- Furthermore, commissioned Surveyors must be members of the Canadian association that represents the jurisdiction of their commission
- A project that was completed within the last three (3) years shall be considered eligible for an award
- Candidates may select more than one category on the Candidate Submission Form regarding suitability of their submission.

Who can nominate:

All commissioned surveyors in Canada can nominate a surveyor whose work they feel was outstanding.

Award Criteria

Categories

Awards will be presented for the following categories:

- **Innovation in Geomatics** This award recognizes a survey project that involved the most innovation either by:
 - Applying innovative methods in survey project
 - Never or seldom used technology to solve a survey problem
 - Judges will select the most innovative project.
- **Contribution to Society** This award recognizes a survey project that has the most positive impact on Society. This impact could be in the form of:
 - Important involvement in new infrastructure in Third World countries
 - Major contribution in cases of natural disasters
 - Technological transfer or capacity building in less fortunate communities
 - Judges will select the project that will have made the most impact.
- **Unusual Applications in Geomatics** This award recognizes a project that applied survey methods and technology to solve the most unusual technical problem such as:
 - Surveying in an unusual environment
 - Applying mathematics solutions in uncommon circumstances
 - Judges will select the project that applied survey methods and technology to solve the most unusual and unconventional problem.



Each year, the Association of Canada Lands Surveyors and our community of professional surveyors is proud to recognize and honour individuals who have demonstrated significant accomplishments, vision and leadership in the performing of their daily activities. This year the awards will be presented to the winners during the Gala Dinner on June 8, 2012 at the upcoming National Surveyors Conference in Regina, Saskatchewan.

Deadline for submissions: March 31st, 2012

Submission Process

Submission

- Only a commissioned Land Surveyor who was directly involved in the project being submitted may make a submission. Furthermore, commissioned Land Surveyors must be members of the association that represents the jurisdiction of their commission.
- Commissioned Land Surveyors may nominate another commissioned surveyor.
- Only a project that was completed within the last three (3) years shall be considered eligible for an award.
- Candidates may select more than one category on the Candidate Submission Form regarding suitability of their submission.
- **Tier 1 Selection:**
In addition to the standard mandatory fields of the Candidate Submission Form, candidates must submit a short summary of their project, not to exceed one page (8.5 x 11). In addition, candidates may optionally submit a graphic image of their project, also not to exceed one page.
- **Tier 2 Selection:**
Within two weeks subsequent to the Deadline for Submissions, the judging panel shall select the top three submissions for each category. The short-listed candidates will receive notification that will include the following information;
 - Candidate's submission was short-listed for a prestigious award.
 - If selected, a direct representative of the submission must be present at the Awards Gala event in order to receive the award.
 - A poster of the submission will be required for display at the National Surveyors Conference. Criteria for the poster as follows;
 - One hardcopy poster, preferably and not to exceed AO size.
 - With the benefit of graphics and text, the poster shall articulate all aspects of the project.
 - The text size for corporate name and logo shall not exceed a height of five (5) centimeters.
 - Poster to be mailed to the ACLS office such that it has been received no less than 10 working days prior to the National Surveyors Conference.

* Prior to and during the ACLS annual conference, ACLS staff will ensure all posters are prominently displayed in the exhibit area. The judging panel will make their final selection, based on the posters on display.

Download Submission Form / Click here:

<http://www.acls-aatc.ca/files/english/forms/GEOM110719PDF.pdf>

Entries must be mailed, faxed or emailed to:

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Ottawa ON K2C 3L6
Fax: 613 723-5558
email: admin@acls-aatc.ca

Judging

- The annual selection of a three-judge panel shall be the responsibility of the ACLS and Professional Surveyors Canada.
- ACLS and Professional Surveyors Canada will make every effort to have judges represent key players from industry and government.
- Every effort will be made to ensure that a real, apparent, or potential conflict of interest is avoided between the judging panel and the candidates.

