

Yukon Regional Leadership Awards

The AFN Yukon Region is thrilled to launch the first Annual Yukon Regional Leadership Awards. Regional Chief Adamek is committed to celebrating and supporting community and holding up and acknowledging contributions and leadership in the Yukon. “These awards and their legacies are to reflect a ‘Yukon that Leads’; those people in the community who work so hard, everyday! It is important we honour and acknowledge their contributions to community to Yukon First Nations, the Yukon and beyond”.

These awards are open to Yukon First Nation citizens and to Indigenous people who call the Yukon home. Nominations can be submitted by individuals, organizations or other groups; online or in person, by Friday November 1st, 2019 by 4:30pm (PT). Award recipients will be notified no later than November 7th, 2019.

Awards Categories:

These awards are to recognize, celebrate, honour and acknowledge the incredible efforts made by Yukon First Nations citizens, and Indigenous people who call the Yukon home, in the following areas:

- **Emerging Leader Award**
- **Woman in Leadership Award**
- **Climate Leader Award**
- **Language Warrior Award**
- **Lifetime Achievement Award**

• (2) Emerging Leader Award – Male and Female Categories

These individuals are ages 35 and under, who have demonstrated significant community commitment through their work and commitment to community and Yukon First Nations people (Eg. political, sport, art and culture, language, business or community endeavors) through formal/informal leadership positions. This may include leading a new initiative, program and demonstrating an innovative approach to their work that is a catalyst for social change. This award is open to both male and female recipients or those who self identify as male, female or two-spirited.

• **Woman in Leadership Award**

This individual self identifies as a woman or two spirited and has demonstrated inclusivity and leadership within their community and/or professional career either through formal or informal leadership positions and roles. This individual has been a positive influence in the community to peers and provides guidance to young women. This individual and has made significant contributions to community and ensures that the voices of women and girls are heard.

• **Climate Leader Award**

This individual has demonstrated a passion for climate action. They address the impacts of climate change innovation and change-making in communities. The individual creates awareness and advances solutions while upholding traditional knowledge. They continue to raise the profile of climate action within their community, the Yukon and beyond.

• **Language Warrior Award**

This individual has made dedicated efforts to protect and strengthen Indigenous languages in the Yukon. This individual has demonstrated a passion and commitment to revitalize and promote Indigenous languages through innovation, strengthening community, advancing culture and working with Elders and language speakers. They continue to raise the profile of language learning within their community, the Yukon and beyond.

• **Lifetime Achievement Award**

This award pays tribute to an outstanding individual who has had significant contributions to Yukon First Nations throughout their personal and professional endeavors. Through their contributions they continue to demonstrate strong values, a connection to culture and community, and continuous support of the next generation of leaders in the spirit of ‘a Yukon that Leads’.



Describe how the individual has made an impact in their nomination category.

(Less than 500 words)

How does the nominee display an ongoing commitment of cultural values and traditions to the Yukon and Yukon First Nations?

(Less than 500 words)



Please include a photo (JPEG) and biography (maximum 250 words) of the nominee. This will be used in the program and at the event to showcase the 2019 AFN Yukon Region Leadership Awards recipients.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Who can be nominated?

These awards are open to Yukon First Nation citizens and to Indigenous people who call the Yukon home.

Who can nominate?

Nominations can be submitted by individuals, organizations or other groups; online, or in person at the AFN Yukon Regional Office, by Friday November 1st, 2019 by 4:30pm (PT). Online application forms can be found at www.afnyukonregion.ca. Award recipients will be notified no later than Friday November 8th, 2019.

Who selects the winners?

The Yukon Regional Leadership Awards Selection Committee.

When do the awards take place?

The Yukon Regional Leadership Awards and Honouring Gala will take place on the evening of Thursday November 14, 2019 at the Kwanlin Dun Cultural Centre in Whitehorse, YT.

More Questions?

If you have more questions please contact the AFN Yukon Regional Office, info@afnyukon.ca or by calling (867) 456-2369.