



The *VALUE* of One:  
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# PROVINCIAL VOLUNTEER AWARDS

CELEBRATION GUIDE

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## Agenda

**11:45 am**

Pre-Awards On-line Entertainment

**12:00 pm**

Welcome & Opening Remarks

Lieutenant Governor Address

Premier Address

Volunteer Representative Awards  
Presentations

Dance Performance

Minister Address

Specialty Award Presentations

Dance Performance

Closing

**ACCESS THE VIRTUAL EVENT:**

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events/9602947](https://livestream.com/basilav/events/9602947)**

2021 marks the 20th anniversary of the International Year of Volunteers. This is also the year to restore and regroup as Nova Scotia, and the world, navigate the impacts of the pandemic. One thing that has not changed is the dedication of our volunteers - a group who continue to take on the challenge of supporting communities by giving back.

The 47th Annual provincial Volunteer Awards will take a page out of the national campaign as the country celebrates this international milestone and continues to recognize acts of kindness. The map pin will drop in Nova Scotia where we will drill down to recognize the many individuals who share their time and knowledge in our communities throughout the province.

This year's event will keep the spotlight on our volunteers while also staying mindful of safety and acknowledging important social issues.



# Awards Broadcast



The 2021 event will be broadcast, via live-stream, in order to accommodate restrictions currently in place for the safety of our communities. Nova Scotia has been profoundly shaped by Immigration to create the cultural tapestry that is our province. **Pier 21** was the gateway for many immigrants into our province and now it will serve as the gateway to the virtual event celebrating the many faces of our provinces dedicated volunteers. Representing the multi-cultural make-up of our communities, Pier 21, in Halifax, will be the location for the live broadcast of this momentous celebration.

The ingenuity and passion for volunteerism of the 2021 award recipients will be the focal point at this year's hybrid event, expertly relayed with the help of **Linda Carvery**.

Former President of the award-winning Nova Scotia Mass Choir, Linda embarked on a solo career in 2000, recording her first CD Yesterday/Today. In 2002, she won the ECMA for Best Jazz Artist and has since been recognized by the African Nova Scotian Music Association with a Lifetime Achievement Award. She has expanded her musical horizons with performances in several Neptune Theatre productions, and has done numerous fundraising concert collaborations with Halifax For Haiti and the East Coast Blues Summit. With her optimistic outlook, Linda gave a Ted Talk, Aging Well, at MSVU. Then, in collaboration with MSVU, the Black Cultural Centre and the Africville Genealogical Society, she presented a one-woman show entitled The Soulful Sunday Sounds of Africville. Linda's musical diversity and powerful presence combine to deliver an entertainment experience that has attracted a large and loyal following. Linda will bring her talents to the stage as emcee, to assist in regaling the work of the honoured award recipients.

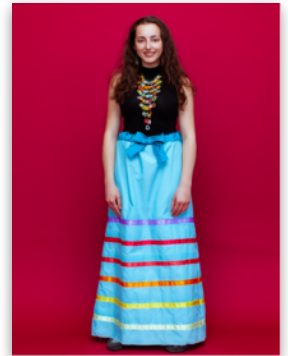
# Performances



The live broadcast will open with a musical interlude provided by 17 year old **Emma Stevens** of Eskasoni First Nation. To help bring awareness to the United Nations' observance, "The International Year of Indigenous Languages", Emma recorded Paul McCartney's "Blackbird" in her native, Mi'kmaq; a language with fewer than 10,000 living native speakers remaining. Since its release, Emma's version of "Blackbird" has garnered international attention and media

that has helped to bring awareness to various efforts being undertaken to revitalize endangered indigenous languages around the world.

**Jenna Robar** is an accredited Holistic Health Coach, passionate speaker, and a traditional hand-drummer and singer. Jenna carries the title of 'National Ambassador of Hope' with Canadian organization 'We Matter', frequently travelling across Canada to speak to Indigenous youth on life promotion. Seasoned in speaking up for what she believes in, she has spoken and drummed in the House of Commons, with the United Nations Association of Canada, in schools and universities on behalf of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, and with YMCA locations.



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DANCE STUDIO

**House of Eights Dance Studio** is a community dance space with the mission to empower all through dance education, community engagement and artist development. Located in downtown Halifax, people from all walks of life are celebrated and equipped to achieve their goals as dancers. An experienced and diverse faculty is dedicated to providing a positive learning environment and consistently invest in training to give back to our dance community. The group will perform a contemporary fusion dance piece that showcases their styles and craft as Asian artists in Halifax's dance community.

**Flamenco en Rouge** is an award-winning Halifax-based group of internationally-trained artists who have performed on the stages of Canada and Spain. The group is known for its authentic approach to gypsy (gitano) flamenco and also for its multimedia artistic collaborations.



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# Follow Along

Provincial Volunteer Representatives will be mentioned in alphabetical order, by last name, for each of the following regions:

Cape Breton

Central

Fundy

Highland

South Shore

Valley

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