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Youth of Distinctions Awards recognizes leaders of tomorrow

Calgary – Youth Central is pleased to announce its 15th year of the Youth of Distinctions Awards! Nominations are now being accepted until February 26, 2018.

The Youth of Distinction Awards (YODA) provides an opportunity for Calgarians to nominate youth (12-18 years old) who deserve recognition for their outstanding contributions to the community. Categories include: Advocacy, Arts and Culture, Environment, Leadership, Peer Support, Perseverance, Sportsmanship and Volunteerism. The ceremony will be held on May 5, 2018.

“YODA is a unique event that is organized by youth, for youth. Not only is the ceremony planned by youth, but the finalists and recipients are chosen by a youth steering committee,” said Lan Tran, a grade 12 student at Central Memorial High School and Co-chair of YODA for her second year. “YODA inspires youth to broaden their worldviews and find a cause they are passionate about. YODA shows youth that others are listening to their voices and encourages youth to leave a positive impact on the city.”

Additional information and nomination forms can be found on the youth central website.

<https://youthcentral.com/yoda/>

Youth Central is a charitable non-profit organization established in 1992. Our mission is to inspire, engage and celebrate youth through community participation. We offer nine programs to Calgary’s youth that provide meaningful volunteer experiences and help youth become active, caring citizens. We currently have over 1400 youth involved in our programs.

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