



YMCA of Eastern Ontario Peace Medal Nomination Form



About the YMCA Peace Medal

Each year, YMCAs across Canada celebrate acts of peace by recognizing individuals and groups who, without any special resources, status, wealth or position, have demonstrated a commitment to building peace within their community or communities elsewhere in the world. During YMCA Peace Week, which will take place from **November 21-28, 2022**, local peacemakers will receive special recognition and a medal at Peace Medal ceremonies across Canada. Peacemakers are selected through a nomination process. To nominate a Peacemaker, please review the selection principles and complete the enclosed nomination form.

Nomination Guidelines

- Nominations should focus on activities that have taken place within the last two years
- YMCA staff members are not eligible for nomination
- Professionals who are paid to do peacemaking work are not eligible for nomination
- Self-nominations will not be considered

Peacemaker Selection Criteria

"...Peace has many dimensions. It is not only a state of relationships among nations. We cannot expect to live in a world of peace if we are unable to live in peace with those close to us – even those who differ from us....The responsibility for peace begins with each person, in relationship with family and friends, and extends to community life and national activities..."

YMCA Statement of Peace, World Alliance of YMCAs, 1981

In keeping with this year's International Day of Peace theme of "End racism. Build peace," YMCA Peace Week 2022 focuses on developing an anti-racist lens to understand conflicts taking place around the globe. We are seeking nominations of individuals or groups who are at the forefront of work in diversity, equity and inclusion. There is very positive work being done locally and afar and we hope to shine a light on volunteers in this field.

Peace Medal recipients should demonstrate the **values of PEACE**:

P = Participation – getting involved and encouraging others to get involved in community-building activities

E = Empathy – listening and understanding diverse perspectives to create a sense of belonging for all

A = Advocacy – making the case for positive change in the community

C = Community – building and strengthening community connections and capacity

E = Empowerment – inspiring others to foster peace and helping them gain the skills and tools to succeed

Please submit all completed Peace Medal nominations to Amy Kirkland by Nov. 21

By email: amy.kirkland@eo.ymca.ca

Or drop off at the membership desk at your YMCA, c/o Amy Kirkland

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Peacemaker Nominee Information

Medal Category: _____

Title (Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss): _____

Name: _____
First Last

Group/Organization name: _____
(if applicable)

Mailing address: _____
Street Apt #

City/Province Postal Code

Phone number: _____
Home Cell

Email: _____

Nominator Information

Title (Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss): _____

Name: _____
First Last

Mailing address: _____
Street Apt #

City/Province Postal Code

Phone number: _____
Home Cell

Email: _____

Relationship to nominee: _____

Reference

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Nomination Questions

Provide a brief history of the individual or organization's work to end racism and build peace.

How has the nominee inspired you and others through their acts of peace?

How does the nominee demonstrate their commitment to ending racism and building peace?

What is the impact of the nominee's peacemaking work on the local, national, or global community?

Describe any collaboration between the nominee and other groups and individuals

Additional information