



Canada Games Opens Hall of Honour Nominations for 2009

Nominations are now being accepted by the Canada Games Council for Hall of Honour inductions for 2009.

The goals of the Canada Games Hall of Honour are to recognize, honour and celebrate exceptional Canada Games alumni who have distinguished themselves as athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers or administrators and to celebrate individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to the development and advancement of the Canada Games Movement.

In February of 2007, the inaugural induction into the Canada Games Hall of Honour took place at a ceremony in Whitehorse Yukon as part of the 2007 Canada Winter Games. The induction celebrated former Canada Games Chairman Jack Pelech for his years of volunteer support and countless contributions.

"I was honoured to oversee the inaugural induction of founding Canada Games Chairman Jack Pelech," says Wayne Trask, Hall of Honour Selection Committee Chair. "As the volunteer President of the 1999 Canada Games in Corner Brook Newfoundland, as the Chair of the 40th Anniversary Steering Committee and as a current Canada Games Council Board member, I can speak to the unbelievable support that many founding members of the Canada Games family have and continue to facilitate in the building of our Movement."

In addition to the wonderful sport, infrastructure and cultural legacies of the 2007 Canada Games, a 40th Anniversary Steering Committee comprised of Canada Games alumni, 2007 Host Society representatives, and Canada Games Council staff developed the Hall of Honour eligibility and categories as a legacy of the 40th Anniversary Games.

The selection committee, chaired by Wayne Trask, will be selected by the CGC and comprised of members who have extensive knowledge of all aspects of the Canada Games Movement. The selection committee will have no more than five members.

Inductions to the Hall of Honour take place every Games year. Nominations are due no later than May 1st 2009 with inductees formally announced August 14, 2009 at the 2009 Canada Games in Prince Edward Island.

The 2009 nomination kit can be found at www.canadagames.ca.