



Gymnastics BC Awards

How Are Award Winners Selected?

Technical Program (WAG, MAG and TG) Awards

Technical Program Awards are based on points accumulated by athletes and/or clubs during the previous event season. Please refer to the [WAG](#), [MAG](#) and [TG](#) point allocation charts for more details.

Women's Artistic Gymnastics Awards

Karen Kelsall Award + Gladys Hartley Provincial Coach of the Year – Presented to the top AA @ WCC in young L8. If there is a tie, best BCWG results will prevail. If the tie still remains, both athletes are awarded. + their coach/team.

Sandra Hartley Award (2) + Sev Heiberg Provincial Coach of the Year – Presented to the top AA L9 @ CC. If there is a tie in ranking between old and young or if there is a tie within level and age, both athletes are awarded. + coach/team Also presented to the top AA L10 @ CC. If there is a tie in ranking between old and young or if there is a tie within level and age, best CWG results prevail. If the tie still remains, both athletes are awarded. + coach/team.

Shallon Olsen Award + Coach – Presented to the top combined AA Novice @ CC. If there is a tie, best CWG results prevail. If the tie still remains, both athletes are awarded. + coach/team.



Kate Richardson Award + Coach – Presented to the top AA SR/JR @ CC + NT + GymCan international assignment & results. Point system as per below. If there is a tie for most points, both athletes are awarded. + coach/team.

Provincial Club of the Year – Awarded to a club based on the number of provincial level athletes (up to L8 + Aspire) winning their categories at BCs, BCWG and placing highest for BC at WCC Point system below. If there is a tie for most points, the club with the most WCC points will prevail. If the tie still remains, the club with the most athletes at WCC will prevail. If the tie still remains, both clubs are awarded.

National Club of the Year – Awarded to a club based on the number of national level athletes (L9-10) winning their categories at BCs and placing the highest for BC at WCC and CC Point system below. If there is a tie for most points, the club with the most CC points will prevail. If the tie still remains, the club with the most L9/10 athletes at CC will prevail. If the tie still remains, both clubs are awarded.

High Performance Club of the Year – Awarded to a club based on success and number of HP athletes through the year.

Men's Artistic Gymnastics Awards

Owen Walstrom outstanding male Athlete of the Year – Presented to the highest ranked JR or SR athlete.

Bill Mackie High Performance Athlete of the Year – Presented to the highest ranked Elite 3 or Elite 4.

Richard Ikeda National Level Athlete of the Year – Presented to the highest ranked male gymnast in Level 4, Level 5 or National Open.

Stan Wilkes Provincial Level Coach of the Year – Awarded to a club based on club's success of Provincial level athletes throughout the season.



John Tutte National Level Coach of the Year – Awarded to a club based on club's success of National and HP athletes throughout the season.

Trampoline Gymnastics Awards

High Performance Male Athlete of the Year – Presented to the highest ranked Junior, Senior or Level 7 male athlete.

High Performance Female Athlete of the Year – Presented to the highest ranked Junior, Senior or Level 7 female athlete.

National Male Athlete of the Year – Presented to the highest ranked Level 5 or Level 6 male athlete.

National Female Athlete of the Year – Presented to the highest ranked Level 5 or Level 6 female athlete.

Pre-National Male Athlete of the Year – Presented to the highest ranked provincial level male athlete L4 or lower.

Pre-National Female Athlete of the Year – Presented to the highest ranked provincial level female athlete L4 or lower.

Provincial Club of the Year - Awarded to the club whose provincial level athletes have accumulated the most points throughout the event season.

National Club of the Year - Awarded to the club whose HP and national level athletes have accumulated the most points throughout the event season.



Gymnastics For All (GFA) Awards

GFA Awards are decided based on nominations received from the Gymnastics BC community. A nomination form is released by GymBC in the spring of each year, and any member of the GymBC community is able to submit a nomination for the GFA Awards. Nominations are reviewed by the Awards & Scholarships Committee and winners are selected based on the quality and quantity of nomination submissions. Not all award categories receive nominations every year. As such, some awards will not be issued at every Awards & Scholarships Event.

Gymnastics For All Awards

Coach of the Year – *Awarded to an individual who shows exceptional contributions to the recreational gymnastics' community, coaching effectiveness, personal development and leadership in a coaching capacity. Multiple Coaches of the Year may be selected from the GymBC community for each Awards & Scholarships Event.*

Club of the Year – *Awarded to a GymBC member club that embodies gymnastics as a sport for everyone, that contributes to physical literacy, personal health, fitness and participant well-being.*

Leader of the Year – *Awarded to a coach/administrator who has worked towards the overall growth and development of recreational gymnastics in BC.*

Emerging Leader of the Year – *Awarded to an individual, with under 5 years of experience, who has shown exemplary leadership skills in the field of gymnastics. This individual could be a coach-in-training, coach or administrator at a GymBC member club.*

Volunteer Team/Club of the Year – *Awarded to a GymBC member team/club whose group of volunteers have demonstrated outstanding volunteer contributions over the past year.*

Volunteer of the Year – *Awarded to an individual who has demonstrated outstanding volunteer contributions on behalf of gymnastics in BC over the past year.*



Gymnastics BC (GymBC) Awards

GymBC Awards are decided based on nominations received from the Gymnastics BC community. A nomination form is released by GymBC in the spring of each year, and any member of the GymBC community is able to submit a nomination for the GymBC Awards. Nominations are reviewed by the Awards & Scholarships Committee and winners are selected based on the quality and quantity of nomination submissions. Not all award categories receive nominations every year. In the event that a category does not receive a nomination in a year, however a suitable recipient may be determined, the Awards & Scholarship Committee may select a winning recipient for the category without a community nomination.

Gymnastic BC Awards

Life Member - *This award honours an individual who has devoted their life's work to bettering our sport and acting in the best interest of our BC gymnastics community. Life Members are selected from winners of the GymBC's Members of Distinction list.*

Member of Distinction – *This award honouring an individual whose long-term commitment, contributions and achievements have benefitted gymnastics in BC. Winners of the Member of Distinction award are then eligible for selection as a Life Member of Gymnastics BC.*

Inclusivity Award – *Presented to an individual an/or club leading programming designed for underrepresented populations in sport, such as seniors, people with disabilities, Indigenous groups, etc. Multiple recipients may be selected to receive this award at the annual Awards & Scholarships Event.*



Hosting Awards

Hosting Awards are issued to the GymBC Member Clubs and their event teams, that have hosted Gymnastics BC events during the previous event season. These events include the Artistic & TG BC Championships, Compulsory BC Championships, BC Gymnaestrada and the Western Canadian Artistic Gymnastics Championships (if applicable).

Learning Facilitator (LF) Awards

LF are issued to Learning Facilitators in the GymBC community, who have positively contributed to educational efforts in BC over the last year. These awards are based on frequency the LF runs programs, and the feedback provided by course participants following the programs. LF's receiving this award are determined by GymBC's Coach & Judge Development Coordinator.

Special Recognition Awards

Special Recognition Awards are determined on a year-by-year basis. There will not always be a need for these awards at every Awards & Scholarships Event.

Special Recognition Awards

Special Achievement/Outstanding Achievement Award – *Past recipients have included GymBC members/athletes that have achieved new national records, Olympic athletes and coaches of Olympic athletes.*

GymBC Excellence Awards – *Past recipients have included GymBC members that are recognized for lifetime contributions to sport - ex. retiring judge after 40 years.*



Judging Awards

Judges are awarded service pins based on their years of service in the judging community. These pins are issued in 5-increments (5 years to 50 years)

National Team Members

Recognition is provided to all those athletes from our GymBC community that have been named to the national team during the event season.

Gymnastics BC Scholarships

GymBC is pleased to provide financial assistance to a selected number of deserving student athletes in our community each year. These scholarships are issued to provide financial assistance to student athletes with their higher educational pursuits. An application form is released by GymBC in the late spring of each year, and any GymBC member who is of qualifying age (in grade 12 of high school, nearing graduation) is able to submit an application. Applications are reviewed by the Awards & Scholarships Committee and winners are selected based on a variety of criteria including athletic and scholastic achievements, community involvement, gymnastics/sport backgrounds, reference letters and a personal essay. The number of recipients and/or the amount of the scholarships can vary year to year.