

The Cyril James “Jim” Smith Memorial Award for Youth Engagement

This Award is for someone who strongly engages with youth, generally at a primary interaction level. Nominees would be people who, inside their Rotary career as well as through other avenues, have been and are very hands-on with children and youth activities: school volunteer, youth exchange, reading programs, underprivileged, boys and girls clubs, and other programs

Submission deadline: March 31

Jim Smith

The theme of the Award is “Youth Engagement.” The Award commemorates the contributions of Jim Smith, a Calgary businessman and devoted Rotarian. Jim Smith joined Rotary as a member of Calgary East in June 1978 and remained a member until his passing in September 2021. Jim and his wife Betty hosted and helped many international exchange students who had both come to and left Calgary over their 43 years in Rotary. Jim was a big supporter of all youth programs both at home and abroad. Until he fell ill in 2020, Jim and Betty spent multiple days every week for decades volunteering at schools, Boys & Girls Clubs, and other youth-centric organizations. They were where they were needed the most. For generations of students at the schools in East Calgary, the Smiths were the constant that was needed. Being world travellers, the Smiths never passed up an opportunity to volunteer and engage youth around the world.

The selection committee comprises the District Governor, two (2) members of the Rotary Club of Calgary East, and the Awards Chair. The Award Recipient will be announced at the District Conference. In addition to completing the attached form, please use additional sheets to describe what qualifies your nominee for the Award. Include any writings, previous awards, accomplishments, and contributions to Rotary, in the Club, and in the community, locally and internationally. Please send material in electronic format. Focus on what the nominee has done that emulates the values and actions of Youth Engagement and demonstrates unquestionable integrity. The application should be sent to the District Awards Chair.

The Award will only be given if the selection committee finds that the individual meets the necessary qualifications.

Unsuccessful candidates will be carried over for two additional Rotary years. During this time, the nominator can provide information about new accomplishments that will strengthen the candidate’s application.

The Recipient of the Jim Smith Award will

- Have their name permanently inscribed on the Award trophy
- Receive a plaque emblematic of the Award for permanent retention

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 5360
THE CYRIL JAMES “JIM” SMITH YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AWARD

THEME:

This Award recognizes one outstanding Rotarian or Rotaractor within the District who was inspired to demonstrate outstanding achievement in Rotary and in the community both locally and internationally and, through his or her actions, has been a leader for others to do the same.

ELIGIBILITY:

Any Rotary club or Rotaract Club in RI district 5360 is entitled to submit the name of a candidate for the Award directly to the Awards Chair. All nominations are to be kept confidential. The Award is restricted to Rotarians. The individual nominated must be one who was inspired to demonstrate outstanding achievement and through her actions has been an Leader for others to do the same. Awards can be made posthumously.

SELECTION PROCESS:

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION:

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NOMINATIONS:

The deadline for nominations will be March 31. The application should be sent to the District Awards Chair.

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THE AWARD

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Please send all completed forms to

The current Awards Chair as noted on the District Organization Chart:

<https://rotary5360.ca/DistrictOrganizationChart/>

**THE CYRIL JAMES "JIM" SMITH YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AWARD
Nomination Form**

Information of the Nominee (please print or type)

Name: _____ Rotary Club of: _____

Contact Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Full Address: _____

City Province Postal Code: _____

Please indicate why this person is nominated:

Nominator (please print or type)

Name: _____ Rotary Club of: _____

Contact Number: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Signature

Date