**2020-2021 CPAC Diversity Award**

CPAC and CPAC Foundation invite nominations from interested individuals from all walks of life, all sectors, and all regions of Canada for the inaugural CPAC Diversity Award.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The CPAC Diversity Award recognizes an individual, group or organization that has made significant contributions to the advancement of human rights, racial equity, diversity and inclusion. Contributions for consideration include efforts, initiatives, programs or financial support that have

* Promoted awareness through educating and informing Canadians;
* Led to positive changes in an organization, a sector or the broader society;
* Advanced knowledge, understanding and theories;
* Propelled progress in public policy and legislation; or
* Enabled programs facilitating the integration and success of immigrants and Asian Canadians.

NOMINATION PROCESS

All nominations must include the completed 2020-2021 CPAC Diversity Award Nomination Form and the nominee’s curriculum vitae.

Supporting material such as news reports, publications, and audio/video files can also be included, but is not compulsory.

The completed Nomination Form, together with the nominee’s c.v. and supporting material, must be submitted through email to office@cpac-canada.ca by **September 15, 2021,** Attention Awards Selection Committee.

For large files that cannot be transmitted via email, a Google Drive location will be provided for uploading upon request to joe.yang@cpac-canada.ca.

SELECTION AND PRESENTATION

All nominations received will be submitted to an Award Selection Committee composed primarily of members from outside of CPAC.

The winning nominee will be contacted in October 2021.

The award will be presented at the virtual **CPAC Annual Gala** on **Saturday, November 27, 2021**, together with the CPAC Professional Achievement Award (PAA) and the Young Achiever’s Award (YAA). An introductory video of each recipient and their pre-recorded acceptance speech will be presented at the virtual event. The selection results and award presentation ceremony will also be announced to the public through press releases.

## CPAC ANNUAL GALA

CPAC and CPAC Foundation host an Annual Gala to celebrate immigrant success and raise funds for their service and advocacy initiatives. The event normally attracts 500 participants representing long-term CPAC partners, community, political and business leaders, members of the media, and other professionals and influencers in the immigrant community. Guests are treated to a lovely evening featuring fine dining, elegant entertainment, and a silent auction to raise funds for the Foundation. One of the highlights of the evening is the presentation of the CPAC awards.

Due to the lingering presence of COVID-19, the 2021 CPAC Annual Gala will be presented virtually on **November 27, 2021**.

The theme of this year’s Gala is “Raising Awareness.” Funds raised through this event will be used to support CPAC’s advocacy initiatives in raising awareness of anti-Asian racism and advancing racial equity and inclusion.

## ABOUT CPAC & CPAC FOUNDATION

CPAC (formerly Chinese Professionals Association of Canada) is a not-for-profit organization that has served the internationally educated professionals community for nearly three decades. The organization now has over 30,000 members from various cultural and ethnic backgrounds with a wide range of skills and professional training.

CPAC and CPAC Foundation provide programs that help new immigrants with their credential upgrading, cultural integration, employment, career advancement, and professional and leadership development.

With the adoption of a new strategic direction in 2019, CPAC and CPAC Foundation have increasingly focused on advocacy for human rights, racial equity, diversity, inclusion, anti-racism and other values that are important to Chinese Canadians, through research, education and training, with the goal of achieving the full potential of a diverse and inclusive Canadian society.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding the CPAC Diversity Award or Annual Gala, please do not hesitate to contact Joe Yang, Operations Manager, at joe.yang@cpac-canada.ca or (416) 298-7885 ext. 120.

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**Nomination Form**

Please complete all the information required and send it together with the candidate’s curriculum vitae and other supporting material via email to office@cpac-canada.ca by **September 15, 2021**, Attention Awards Selection Committee. The writing spaces below are expandable; please use as much space as you need. **Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are mandatory.**

**Nominee Information**

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| *For individual* |
| **\*First Name**： | **\*Last Name**： |
| **\*Address**： |
| **\*Phone**： | **Fax**： |
| **\*Email**： |
| **\*Current Position(s) & Organization(s)/Employer**： |
| *For group or organization* |
| **\*Group/Organization Name**： |
| **\*Address**： |
| **\*Phone**： | **Fax**： |
| **\*Email**： |
| **\*Contact Name & Position:**  |
| **\*Contact Phone:**  | **\*Contact Email:**  |
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| **\*Describe what the nominee has done, how they did it, and what positive outcomes their actions have brought about in one or more areas defined under the Selection Criteria** |
| **Other relevant information** |

 **Nominator Information**

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| \*First Name： | \*Last Name： |
| \*Address： |
| \*Phone： | Fax： |
| \*Email： |
| \*Organization(s)： |
| \*Titles/Current Positions： |

I certify that all of the information provided above is true.

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