**2020-2021 CPAC Professional Achievement Award**

CPAC and CPAC Foundation invite members of the professional community to nominate candidates for the 2020-2021 CPAC Professional Achievement Award (PAA).

ABOUT THE AWARD

The CPAC PAA was established in 2009 to recognize and celebrate the achievements of immigrant professionals who have achieved outstanding success and prominent status in recognized professions. Past recipients include exceptional individuals such as Enhui Yang (scientist), Kelvin Tran (executive) and Chan Hon Goh (artist).

Candidates for the award must be

* Canadian citizens or permanent residents who are immigrants to Canada; and
* Have achieved prominent success in their profession or in a professional field outside of their occupation (e.g., a celebrated poet whose occupation is teaching).

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations are encouraged from all Canadian citizens and permanent residents, across all professions and across Canada.

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

Supporting material such as news reports and audio/video files can also be included.

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 Diversity Award (DA) 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 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 about the CPAC Professional Achievement 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.

For information about previous recipients, please visit <https://cpac-canada.ca/awards/>.

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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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| **\*First Name**： | **\*Last Name**： |
| **\*Address**： |
| **\*Phone**： | **Fax**： |
| **\*Email**： |
| **\*Company/Organization**： |
| **\*Title/Current Position**： |
| **CPAC Membership Number (if applicable)**： |
| **\*Professional training and occupation in home country (if applicable)**： |
| **\*Current Profession/Occupation in Canada**： |
| **\*Reasons for Nomination:** Please describe the nominee’s professional achievements in terms of eminence, significance and standing among peers |
| **Other Information:** Add anything that you think is relevant |

 **Nominator Information**

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| \*First Name： | \*Last Name： |
| \*Address： |
| \*Phone： | Fax： |
| \*Email： |
| \*Company/Organization： |
| \*Title/Current Position： |

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

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Nominator Signature Date