**2023 CPAC Professional Achievement Award**

CPAC and CPAC Foundation invite members of the professional community across Canada to nominate candidates for the 2023 CPAC Professional Achievement Award (PAA).

ABOUT THE AWARD

The CPAC PAA was established in 2009 to recognize and celebrate the achievements and contributions of immigrant professionals who have attained outstanding success and prominent status in recognized professions. The award also aims to provide role models for other immigrants to emulate. Past PAA recipients include exceptional individuals such as Enhui Yang (scientist, Waterloo), Kelvin Tran (executive, Toronto) and Chan Hon Goh (artist, Vancouver).

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).

Candidates’ community contributions are an influencing factor.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations are encouraged from individuals across all professions and all regions of Canada.

All nominations must include the completed 2023 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 materials, must be submitted through email to office@cpac-canada.ca by **September 15, 2022,** 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 academic, professional and community leaders outside of CPAC.

The winning nominees will be notified in early October 2023.

The awards will be presented at the **2023 CPAC Annual Gala,** together with the Young Achiever Award (YAA). An introductory video of each recipient will be presented at the event, followed by the award presentation and an acceptance speech by the awardee. The selection results and award presentation ceremony will also be announced to the public through press releases and a variety of media platforms.

## CPAC ANNUAL GALA

CPAC and CPAC Foundation host an Annual Gala to celebrate immigrant success and raise funds for their advocacy initiatives. Funds raised through this event will be used to raise awareness of anti-Asian racism and advance racial equity, diversity and inclusion. The event normally attracts 500 participants representing professionals, local influencers, community, political and business leaders, and members of the media. Guests are treated to a lovely evening featuring fine dining and elegant entertainment. One of the highlights of the evening is the presentation of the PAA and YAA awards.

## ABOUT CPAC & CPAC FOUNDATION

CPAC (formerly Chinese Professionals Association of Canada) is a not-for-profit organization that has served the community of internationally educated professionals for three decades. The organization now has close to 31,000 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. On their advocacy front, the organizations strive to advance 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 materials via email to office@cpac-canada.ca by **September 15, 2023**, 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： |
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| \*Email： |
| \*Company/Organization： |
| \*Title/Current Position： |

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

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Nominator Signature Date