

**September 12, 2023** – FORED BC is offering its annual National Forest Week artwork, photography, **and now video** contest for Canadian youths, aged 5-18. This year's theme is: **Canada's Forests: Supporting Biological Diversity**.

Submissions should depict how forests support diverse living things in an ecosystem, from homes for animals to plants supporting other plants (ex. nurse stumps). Also, <u>Bacteria in forests</u> foster relationships between plants and animals. Forests support humans through: recreation, products, pharmaceuticals like <u>cancer drugs</u>, jobs, and <u>Indigenous culture & uses</u> (ex. food, shelter, medicine, totem poles, tools).

Multiple winners will each collect a \$150 prize from FORED BC. Joint submissions (group work) would share the prize.

## **Contest Details:**

- **Deadline for submission is Nov. 3, 2023.** All submissions become the property of FORED BC and will not be returned.
- Entries must be original work by the student. Photos & videos should note the date and location.
- Videos must be less than 3 minutes.
- Participants <u>must</u> provide their <u>name</u>, <u>postal address</u>, <u>phone</u>, <u>email</u>, <u>teacher name</u>, <u>school name</u>
   and their grade, so we can contact winners.
- By participating in this contest, entrants agree that their names and submissions can be published
  in local media and on FORED social media channels.
- All entrants qualify for complimentary, honourary youth membership at FORED BC.
- All artistic mediums accepted: i.e. pencil, crayon, paint, mural, collage, photos, videos etc. <u>Entries</u> may be mailed to the address below or submitted electronically to <u>education@foredbc.org</u> as a <u>HIGH-RESOLUTION</u> photo or scan (.jpg, .pdf, .png, .mp4, .MOV). Minimum image size 2MB. For large video files, use the free emailer <u>WeTransfer</u> (no sign-in required).
- Only winners will be notified. Previous winners can be viewed on our <u>website</u>.

**FORED BC**, short for **FOR ED**ucation About our Environment and its Natural Resources, is a non-partisan, charitable organization established in 1925. Through support from foundations, members & the Province of BC, we work with aligned groups, youths & volunteers on sustainability projects.

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