

The Commission jeunesse Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine reintroduces its *I take my place* contest

Carleton-sur-Mer, April 5, 2018 – Today, the Commission jeunesse Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine (CJGIM) launches its [*I take my place*](#) contest, which seeks to recognise, value, promote and reward the volunteer commitment of young Gaspésians and Magdalen Islanders between the ages of 18 and 35, while saluting their talents, creativity and determination. One regional winner will be chosen by a jury and that individual will receive a \$1,000 bursary. The candidates' volunteer involvement will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

- The actions taken and challenge met;
- The benefits of their involvement for the community; and
- Their individual skills and personal qualities.

“Winning this award has made me even more convinced to be involved in my community. I have never stopped giving my time to make the community I live in more dynamic and stimulating,” says Olivier Poulin, winner of the award in 2013.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, NOT JUST FOR GRANNIES!

We take this opportunity to remind you that the nomination period for the [*Community involvement, not just for grannies!*](#) Contest is still open. Introduced last month, it seeks to salute young Gaspésians and Magdalen Islanders **between the ages of 12 and 24** who contribute their time and effort in some way as volunteers in their communities. Organisations can also nominate young volunteers. A jury will select 8 laureates who will each receive a \$500 award.

These two contests, which had not taken place since 2014, are back in a big way to salute the involvement of young people as volunteers in their communities. A total of \$5,000 in bursaries will be awarded to the winners

CONTEST PARTICIPATION

Young people and organisations have until **Friday, May 11, 2018** to submit their own nomination or to nominate a candidate for either contest. Nomination submission forms and all contest-related information are available at portailjeunesse.ca.

ABOUT THE COMMISSION JEUNESSE GASPÉSIE-ÎLES-DE-LA-MADELEINE (CJGIM)

The CJGIM was incorporated in 2015 to pursue its mandates to encourage young people to join forces and mobilise. In doing so, it fulfills its mission to ensure and promote the place of young people in the social, economic, political and cultural development of the region. The CJGIM is notably recognised for its efforts to encourage young people to put down permanent roots in the Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine administrative region.

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