



## Media Release

### Canada's Leading Sustainability Award releases list: Canada's Clean50 for 2024

***Cabinet Minister, CEOs, Corporate & Municipal Sustainability Leaders, Clean Tech entrepreneurs, ENGO chiefs and Emerging Leaders Gather Today for 13<sup>th</sup> Clean50 Summit in Toronto.***

***Notably excluded: Bankers & Fossil Fuel Developers***

**Toronto, September 28<sup>th</sup> 2023:** The Clean50 award recognizes leaders from across Canada who have done the most to advance climate action and develop climate solutions. Today's lists acknowledge the recent accomplishments of 50 senior leaders, 20 Emerging Leaders, and reveal 5 Lifetime Achievement Awards, selected from over 1000 nominations collected nation-wide over the past few months.

75 incoming individual Honourees, members of 25 Project teams and 35+ existing Clean50 members engage today in a full day of intense discussions, designed to identify actionable solutions to the climate emergency that Canada and Canadians can implement, followed by an awards ceremony.

Awardees are forward-looking leaders representing the most effective and progressive organizations taking on climate change from every sector, balancing mitigation with adaptation.

Awardees this cycle range from Canada's Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, Steven Guilbeault, and former Vancouver Mayor Gregor Robertson, long Canada's greenest Mayor, now part of the leadership team at innovative builder Nexii to active-wear manufacturer Mondetta CEO Ash Modha and the most senior executives from several of Canada's largest electricity distribution companies. Minister Guilbeault will address the gathered honourees at this evening's ceremony.

Other awardees are entrepreneurial, bleeding-edge clean tech CEOs and researchers decarbonizing everything from cement to fabric and plastics, venture capitalists, renewable energy developers, property developers and leaders in the circular economy.

Plastics played an important role, with different winners embracing the circular economy by capturing and repurposing shoreline plastic waste, making plastic out of seaweed and other garbage

"The range of ingenuity demonstrated by these 75 people is just extraordinary", said award Executive Director Gavin Pitchford. "Canada needs to eliminate 730 MT of carbon pollution from our annual output – Over the past year, Canada's 2024 Clean50 have made a significant start on that target – with much more to come". "If we have any hope of hitting our committed targets, it is people like these Canadians will need to thank". Pitchford added that "For the first time in 13 cycles we don't have any big 5 bankers on our list. Until they stop greenwashing and make a serious effort to decarbonize their investment and lending portfolios, we're going to stop recognizing any of the good things that some do".

The full list of Canada's 2023 Clean50, Clean50 Emerging Leaders and Lifetime Achievement Honourees appears below, and more details behind all of the award winners can be found on the Clean50 website: <https://www.clean50.com> **Media are welcome for awards ceremony.**

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*\*first person listed in each category is the leader in the category and also winner of a Clean16 Award*

### **Advocates**

- Emily McMillan, PhD, Nature Canada (Ottawa, Ontario)\*
- Naolo Charles, M.Env, Black Environmental Initiative (Toronto, Ontario)
- Louie Porta, Oceans North (Ottawa, Ontario)
- Dona Grace-Campbell, (Prince Rupert, British Columbia) Lisa Oldring, (Canmore, Alberta) & Darryl Robinson, LLB, LLM, PhD, Queen's University, Faculty of Law (Kingston, Ontario) Stop Ecocide Canada

### **Angels, Accelerators & Venture Capitalists**

- Susan Rohac, BDC Capital (Ottawa, Ontario)\*
- Dr. Shannon Bard, Entrepreneurship@UBC (Vancouver, British Columbia)
- Claude Vachet, Cycle Capital (Montréal, Quebec)

### **Buildings**

- Stephen Sidwell, Gregor Robertson, Ben Dombowsky & Michael Dombowsky, Nexii Building Solutions (Vancouver, British Columbia)\*
- Melissa Ferrato, First Capital REIT (Toronto, Ontario)
- Lee Hodgkinson, P.Eng, Dream Unlimited Corp. (Toronto, Ontario)

### **Cities**

- George Benson, MAP, Vancouver Economic Commission (Vancouver, British Columbia)\*
- Tonja Leach, QUEST Canada (Ottawa, Ontario)

### **Clean Tech**

- Martin Bureau, Ing., Ph.D., SANEXEN (Brossard, Quebec)\*
- Paul Boudreault, MSc, Bosk Bioproducts (Quebec, Quebec)
- Richard Legault, BSc., MSc., Eocycle Technologies Inc. (Montreal, Quebec)
- Daniel McCann, Precision AI (Regina, Saskatchewan)
- Apoorv Sinha, Carbon Upcycling Technologies (Calgary, Alberta)

### **Consultants**

- Karen Farbridge, PhD, Cdir, GCB.D, Karen Farbridge & Associates (Guelph, Ontario)\*
- Jane McDonald, Climate and Nature Solutions (Winnipeg, Manitoba)
- Sarah Riley, R&G Strategic (Halifax, Nova Scotia)
- Ryan Zizzo, PEng, MASc, Mantle Developments (Toronto, Ontario)

### **Education & Thought Leaders**

- Jury Gualandris, PhD, Ivey Business School (London, Ontario)\*
- Dr. Carol Liao, Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics (Vancouver, British Columbia)

### **Finance & Services**

- Marc Couture, P.Eng, University of Toronto (Toronto, Ontario)\*
- Lindsay Walker, BEng, MASc, Humber College (Toronto, Ontario)

## **Manufacturing & Transportation**

- Cindy Bailey, Purolator (Mississauga, Ontario)\*
- Samuel Bruneau, Taiga Motors Inc. (Lasalle, Quebec)
- Jason Robinson, Evoco Ltd. (Toronto, Ontario)

## **Primary Resources**

- Chloe Dubois, MaIS, Ocean Legacy Foundation (Richmond, British Columbia)\*
- Jean Shoiry & Mathieu Filion, B.Sc Eng, Groupe PureSphera inc. (Becancour, Quebec)

## **Public Sector**

- Hon. Steven Guilbeault, Environment and Climate Change Canada (Gatineau, Quebec)\*
- Tony Maas, MES, Office of the Prime Minister (Ottawa, Ontario)
- Megan Nichols, Environment and Climate Change Canada (Gatineau, Quebec)

## **Renewable Energy**

- David Eva, P.Eng, CFA, Capstone Infrastructure Corporation (Toronto, Ontario)\*
- Rob Stein, Skyline Energy (Guelph, Ontario)
- Brian Roth, P.Eng., MBA, CPA, Three Sixty Solar Ltd. (Vancouver, British Columbia)

## **Research & Development**

- Mohammad Doostmohammadi, pH7 Technologies Inc. (Vancouver, British Columbia)\*
- Saad Dara, PhD, Mangrove Lithium (Vancouver, British Columbia)
- Maciej Jastrzebski, P. Eng., Li-Metal Corp. (Markham, Ontario)
- Christopher Wai, Sixone Labs Ltd. (Vancouver, British Columbia)

## **Retail & Consumer**

- Ash Modha, MONDETTA INC. (Winnipeg, Manitoba)\*
- Maya Colombani, L'Oréal Canada (Montreal, Quebec)
- Peter Iliopoulos, CPA, Gildan Activewear Inc. (Montreal, Quebec)
- Nina Kharey, BSc Eng, Folds Wear Inc. (Calgary, Alberta)

## **Technology, Telecom & Media**

- Darren Jones, MyHEAT Inc. (Calgary, Alberta)\*
- Colleen Dix, TELUS (Vancouver, British Columbia)
- Carter Li, Ph.D., SWITCH Energy Inc. (Toronto, Ontario)

## **Traditional Energy Generation**

- Anthony Haines, Amanda Klein, LL.B. & Jodi Engel, MSc, Toronto Hydro (Toronto, Ontario)\*
- Indrani Butany, MBA, Elexicon Energy Inc. (Ajax, Ontario)
- Geri Yin, MBA, Alectra Utilities (Vaughan, Ontario)



### **Clean50 Emerging Leaders for 2024 (35 years of age or younger)**

- Kate Walker, Tru Earth Environmental Products Inc. (Port Moody, British Columbia)
- Ashoke Mohanraj, Royal Canadian Mounted Police (Ottawa, Ontario)
- Allison Penner, Reimagine Agriculture (Toronto, Ontario)
- Rebecca Francolini, MSc, Mackenzie Investments (Toronto, Ontario)
- Rashmi Prakash, M.Eng, Aruna Revolution Health Inc. (Halifax, Nova Scotia)
- Faith Edem, MPA, Environment and Climate Change Canada (Gatineau, Quebec)
- Mila Mezei, BA, Inside Education Society of Alberta (Calgary, Alberta)
- Stephanie Willsey, B.A., J.D., McCarthy Tetrault LLP (Toronto, Ontario)
- Ranah Chavoshi, PhyCo Technologies Inc. (Vancouver, British Columbia)
- Lisa Ashton, PhD, Grain Farmers of Ontario (Guelph, Ontario)
- Calvin Lechelt, CEM, Alberta Municipalities (Edmonton, Alberta)
- John Woodside, MJ, Canada's National Observer (Ottawa, Ontario)
- Zarko Meseldzija, RecycLiCo Battery Materials Inc. (Surrey, British Columbia)
- Dennon Oosterman, ReDeTec (Toronto, Ontario)
- Danielle Salvatore, PhD, Miru Smart Technologies Corp. (Vancouver, British Columbia)
- Mohamed Ouf, PhD, P.Eng, Concordia University (Montreal, Quebec)
- Love-Ese Chile, PhD, Regenerative Waste Labs (Vancouver, British Columbia)
- Julia Levin, Environmental Defence Canada (Toronto, Ontario)
- Trevor Melanson, Clean Energy Canada (Vancouver, British Columbia)
- Triveni Singh, CMI SOLAR (Mississauga, Ontario)



### **Lifetime Achievement Award Honourees for 2024**

- Robert M. Colliver, MBA, CFA, Stonebridge Financial Corporation (Toronto, Ontario)
- Guy Dauncey, West Coast Climate Action Network (Ladysmith, British Columbia)
- Peter Love, BA, MBA, Love Energy Consultants inc. (Toronto, Ontario)
- Mark Rudolph, BsC, MA, justenvironment (Campbellville, Ontario)
- Bob Willard, PhD, Sustainability Advantage (Whitby, Ontario)

***The Clean50 List of 2024 Top Projects, and the winner of the Top Project of-the-Year Award, as voted upon by all Clean50 Summit participants will be announced Tuesday October 3<sup>rd</sup>.***