

CCA RESEARCH PRIZE

CALL FOR RESEARCH PAPERS 2021

THE ENTRY DEADLINE IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31ST, 2021.

PURPOSE:

The annual **CCA Research Prize** competition honours, celebrates and promotes research that contributes significantly to the growing body of academic literature relevant to the organized children's camping movement in Canada.

It encourages graduate students and faculty to examine issues and/or practicalities that relate to child and youth development, enhancement of the quality of life, creating and enabling the experience, and the role of "camp" in its social, political, and physical environment.

A list of previous entries is in "awards", and the papers are in "research" on the [CCA website](#).

SPONSORSHIP:

The annual competition is sponsored by the Canadian Camping Association and funded by Trent University Library and Archives.

CRITERIA:

The judging criteria are:

- (1) originality in the topic or area of inquiry,
- (2) innovation in framing or treatment of the research question,
- (3) rigour of research,
- (4) methodological soundness,
- (5) strength of conclusions,
- (6) practicality of applications,
- (7) clarity of thought and language,

collectively defining the value of your contribution to the camp research body of knowledge.

EVALUATION:

The Research Prize Committee works at arm's length from the CCA Board. The judges refer to a modified version of the ACA's Scanlin Assessment Grid to enhance consistency in the evaluation process.

The judges' decisions are final.

BRIEFING LETTER:

Please attach to the front of your paper a one- or two-page, single spaced, plain language briefing letter to camping professionals, owners, camp boards or sponsoring organizations, as appropriate, for whom your research topic could be significant. Summarize the work. Explain

what your research says. Describe the possible benefits from the results of your research in their areas of responsibility.

PRIZE:

The Research Prize winner will receive \$500.00 (CAD).

CCA will publicly honour the winner across the Canadian camping community via Constant Contact and on the CCA website.

THE JUDGES:

Stephen Fine, PhD, CCA Research Committee Chair

Catherine Laing, RN, PhD, Assoc. Prof. & Assoc. Dean, University of Calgary

Tad McIlwraith, PhD, Prof. University of Guelph

Catherine Ross, BA, B.Ed., Author.

Victoria Povilaitis, PhD, ACA Researcher

ACCESS:

At the judges' discretion, entries will be accessible world-wide in the Research section of the CCA website and, as print copy, in the unique Canadian Camping Collections at the Trent University Archives for long term access by future researchers.

ENTRY:

We accept entries in either of Canada's two official languages.

E-mail your entry to:

Stephen Fine at sfine@alumni.utoronto.ca

You may send questions to the same address anytime. We will acknowledge receipt of your entry.

Mark the deadline: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31ST, 2021. on your calendar.