



BC Heritage Fairs Society

## ***Vancouver Branch UELAC Award***



### ***The UELAC***

The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada is an organization dedicated to enriching the lives of Canadians through knowledge of the past, in particular the history of the United Empire Loyalists and their contribution to the development of Canada.

### ***Award Selection***

The Vancouver Branch UELAC Award will be presented to the project at each Regional Heritage Fair throughout British Columbia that best meets the award criteria. The organizing committee for each region will select award recipients. Where possible, a member in good standing from any of the Pacific region UELAC branches will be invited to be part of the selection committee. All Pacific region branch members are encouraged to participate by attending the Fairs, volunteering to judge student projects, or joining the Regional Fair organizing committee in their area and or presenting an award.

### ***The Criteria***

The project may be presented in English, French, or an Aboriginal language at any grade level from 4 to 10. Ideally, the selected Project will have a theme centered on the settlement and growth of Canada prior to Confederation (1867) in particular, by the Loyalists or their descendants. Where a descendant is presented, identification of their Loyalist ancestor is desired. For example, prominent BC explorers like Simon Fraser and Sir Alexander MacKenzie are both sons of Loyalists. Their Loyalist ancestors are, respectively, Simon Fraser, a Captain in the King's Royal Regiment of New York (KRR NY) and Kenneth MacKenzie, a Lieutenant in KRR NY.

### ***The Award***

The award consists of a certificate of achievement and a pin. Where the winning project is presented by more than one student, each student will receive the award. A student may receive the Vancouver Branch UELAC Award only once.

For further information about the UELAC, visit our Dominion website at: [www.uelac.org](http://www.uelac.org)

Copies of this and the Award Recipient Form are available at: [www.uelac.org/Vancouver/](http://www.uelac.org/Vancouver/)

***“Because they were Loyalists, we are Canadians”***  
**W.S. MacNutt, Historian**