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BC Parks Launches Exciting Contest for Youth in BC

BC Parks is celebrating its 100th birthday in 2011 by hosting a 2010 video contest this summer. Youth participants are asked to produce a short video that captures why BC Parks' 100th birthday is worth celebrating.

Submissions will be accepted from June 1st to September 15th from youth up to 18 years old. For full contest details and to download an entry form visit the [BC Parks website](#).

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The New and Improved Sogo Active

Since the fall of 2008 Sogo Active has engaged over 12,000 teens to lead more active lifestyles and now the initiative has an updated look and feel. [Check out the revamped website.](#)

In addition, new options are now available such as the ability to create challenges and the ability to apply for funding for challenges and one-time events.

Sign up as a Community Host Organization to reach out to youth, to assist youth in your community with applying for micro-grants, and to create Sogo Active Challenges and Events for youth to search and join. For more information on the opportunities available with Sogo Active please visit the [BCRPA website](#) or email sogoactive@bcrpa.bc.ca.

Congratulations to the Most Recent Sogo Active Grant Recipients

- Windermere Valley Childcare Society (Summit Stomp)
- Killarney Community Schools Team (Y2 - Youth Helping Younger Youth)
- More than a Roof Housing Society (Reduce Reuse Recycle)
- MoreSports (Summer Basketball)
- Pacific Community Resources Society (SPORTY)
- Mover and Shakers Walk Club (Learn to Run 10K)
- Lord Byng Secondary School (Self Defence)
- George M Dawson Secondary School (Field School Day)
- Nicomen Indian Band (Squalnny Days)
- Trips for Kids Vancouver (Mountain Biking & Leadership Club)

Next grant deadline is **August 20th**. More information on the grants available can be found [online](#).

Children and Youth Awards of Excellence

The Representative for Children and Youth is seeking nominations for their third annual Awards of Excellence. These awards recognize and honour people and organizations whose work with children and youth exemplify innovation, respect, and a commitment to improving outcomes and professional excellence.

To nominate an individual, office or organization for a Representative for Children and Youth Award of Excellence visit the [RCYBC website](#).

Deadline for Nominations: **4:00pm PST, September 3rd.**

Natural Leaders Network Toolkit for Youth Leaders Now Available

The Natural Leaders Network, which empowers a worldwide youth movement to strengthen the bond between children and nature, now has a toolkit available for download. This toolkit is a guide for all youth around the world who want to start Natural Leaders action groups or networks. For more information visit the [Natural Leaders Network website](#).

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