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Campbell River a Finalist for Two National Communities in Bloom Awards

Campbell River has been named a finalist in two national Communities in Bloom awards categories.

Campbell River ranked among the top three in the country in the 2009 Home Hardware Community Involvement Criteria Award. The other finalists are the City of Lethbridge, Alberta and the Town of Pincher Creek, Alberta.

The City of Campbell River also ranked as one of three finalists for the 2009 Waste Management Environmental Awareness Criteria Award. The other finalists are the City of Edmonton, Alberta and the City of Kawartha Lakes, Ontario.

"This year for the national level of competition for Communities in Bloom, each city had to enter for the chance to win individual criteria awards," explains Ross Milnthorp, the City's General Manager of Parks, Recreation & Culture. "Based on recommendations from our national judges, we chose to enter Community Involvement, Environmental Awareness and Natural and Cultural Heritage."

"We are so pleased to hear these results," says Mayor Charlie Cornfield. "The level of commitment and dedication that goes into showcasing our community each year is remarkable – and it's thanks to all those efforts that we have earned this national recognition."

Winners will be announced in early October in Vaughan, Ontario during the Communities in Bloom 2009 National Symposium on Parks & Grounds and Awards Ceremonies.

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