

JUNE 14, 2022

NEXSTREAM TECH COMPETITION FINAL PITCHES - YOU'RE INVITED!

B.C. innovators vying for a share of up to \$300,000 in total funding and services will pitch to judges on June 21, 2022.

Join the City of Campbell River and the Campbell River Area Angel Group (CRAAG) to watch innovation in action at the final pitch session of this year's NexStream Tech Competition (NexStream 3.0).

Teams from across British Columbia brought their skills and creativity to tackle five challenges inspired by our coastal region: health and emergency preparedness, food security, sustainable resource management, creative industries and tourism, and a wildcard category. Nine teams advanced through the NexStream 3.0 competition and will make their final pitches to judges on Tuesday, June 21, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Use the Zoom meeting link to watch the livestream.

We'll hear pitches from:

- Jeff Polster, RUX (<u>rux.life</u>)
- Tamir Barzilai, Honeycomb AI (<u>honeycomb.ai</u>)
- Stephanie Willerth, Axolotl Biosciences (axolotlbiosciences.com)
- Doron Meir, Float VR
- Akshara Poulose, Solaires (<u>solaires.net</u>)
- Mark Anson, Timber Tiles (timbertiles.ca)
- Shane Bear, New Energy Corporation (<u>newenergycorp.ca</u>)
- Anthony Belisle, Supermod (supermod.com)
- Stephen Parslow, salonMonster (salonmonster.com)

The stakes are high as this final pitch session will determine this year's finalists. Each team will have seven minutes to pitch their products, projects or services to the judges, followed by five minutes for questions. Finalists will be selected after the pitch session to take part in demonstration sessions with CRAAG. Winners will be announced on June 30, 2022.

At the public pitch session, we'll share a sneak peek at what this year's Community Stream challengers have been working on. Community Stream participants are competing for a \$10,000 prize from RBC Royal Bank. Their projects will be showcased during an upcoming community tour. Watch for the details of that event, coming soon! In the meantime, here's a peek at the teams you can look forward to seeing on the tour:

- Emily Sayward, Sister Sister (sistersister.ca)
- Lovena Harvey, Gathering Place Trading (gatheringplacetrading.com)
- Fergus Bagley, ByteDeck (bytedeck.com)
- Rob MacNeill, U4E0
- Sharon Karsten, Talking Tree, Turtlepods (walkwithme.ca/turtlepods)

We gratefully acknowledge the continued support of our partners and sponsors, who make this competition possible.

Visit nexstream.is to learn more about the NexStream Tech Competition.

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About the NexStream Tech Competition

The NexStream Tech Competition was founded in 2019 by the City of Campbell River Economic Development and the Campbell River Area Angel Group. Based in Campbell River, B.C., this competition aims to cultivate creative solutions to challenges faced by the region's industries, with a focus on clean, sustainable technology. Challenge categories vary each year. Past NexStream winners have gone on to cumulatively receive investment funding commitments with a combined value of more than \$3 million.

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