E. GORDON YOUNG MEMORIAL LECTURESHIP

Terms of Reference

This annual lectureship is made possible by a bequest to the Chemical Institute of Canada (CIC) by E. Gordon Young, a distinguished chemist and former President of the CIC. The objectives of the award are to honour the memory of E. Gordon Young, to recognize an outstanding scientist or engineer, and to enhance the public perception of the chemical profession and its contributions to modern society.

The Lecturer will be invited to present at least one public lecture and at least two scientific or technical lectures in different locations. The lecture series will be hosted by one of the Local Sections represented by the CIC. The host region will vary from year to year in order to include, as far as possible, all regions across Canada.

The Lectureship will be administered by the CIC Chemical Education Fund (CEF) Directors. The CEF Directors will be responsible for establishing the Terms of Reference of the award and for selecting the host region. Local Sections may submit a proposal to the CEF by December 15 to host the following year's Lectureship or the CEF Directors may approach a group directly to propose they host the event.

The Lecturer should be an outstanding scientist or engineer in his or her field, an excellent speaker, and capable of delivering both public and scientific lectures which will meet the objectives of the award. In this regard, the public lecture is of primary importance. The Lecturer is not restricted to a Canadian. Once the Lecturer has been identified, details of the schedule and local arrangements will be worked out by the host region and the Lecturer.

The Lectureship will be funded by the grant determined by the CEF Directors. The amount of the award will be determined by the CEF Directors at their January meeting in the year preceding the lecture. Funds will be awarded for expenses incurred by the Lecturer, local hospitality, social events, meeting facilities and publicity or may be used as an honorarium for the speaker, with additional costs covered by the host region. Previous years, the grant has been approved for up to $4,500.

Following the lecture tour, the host region will submit a report including a financial statement, to the CEF.
Past E Gordon Young Lectureships
2017 host – Toronto CIC Local Section (lectures in Toronto and Kingston) – Polly Arnold, University of Edinburgh
2013–2016 – No lectures given
2012 host – Toronto CIC Local Section - Mario Molina, University of California-San Diego
2010–2011 – No lectures given
2009 host – Sherbrooke CIC and Montreal CIC Local Sections – David Leigh, University of Edinburgh
2008 – No lectures given
2007 host – Atlantic Local Section – Eugenia Kumacheva, University of Toronto
2005–2006 – No lectures given
2004 host – Edmonton CIC Local Section (in conjunction with the 75th CSC Lecture Series) – Jacqueline Barton, California Institute of Technology
2003 – No lectures given
2002 host – Sherbrooke CIC Local Section (lectures in Sherbrooke and Montreal) – John Tully, Yale University
2001 – No lectures given
2000 host – Ottawa CIC Local Section - David Magnus, Centre for Bioethics, University of Pennsylvania
1999 host – South Saskatchewan CIC and North Saskatchewan CIC Local Sections – Kenneth R. Seddon, The Queen’s University (Belfast, UK)
1998 host – Manitoba and Northern Ontario CIC Local Section – David Dolphin, University of British Columbia
1997 host – Quebec City CIC Local Section (lectures in Quebec City and Kingston) – Helmut Ringsdorf, University Mainz
1996 host – Atlantic CIC Local Section (lectures in Fredericton, Halifax and St. John’s) – C. Richard Hutchinson, University of Wisconsin (Madison, WI)
1995 host – Calgary CIC Local Section (lectures in Calgary, Edmonton and Regina) – Michael Hoffman, California Institute of Technology
1994 host – London CIC Local Section (lectures in London and Hamilton) – Marye Anne Fox, University of Texas (Austin, TX)
1993 host – Vancouver Island CIC Local Section (lectures in Victoria and Vancouver) – Alan R. Fersht, Cambridge University
1992 host – Atlantic CIC Local Section (lectures in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick) – Jack Baldwin, Oxford University