

Awards & Mentorships

JA British Columbia (JABC) is proud to offer a number of awards to recognize outstanding performance in a JA program. We give away thousands of dollars worth of awards each year, thanks to the generosity of our donors and supporters. High school and post-secondary students who have taken a JA program are encouraged to apply. Learn more at jabc.ca/awards.



1. Individual Awards

Student Awards for Oratory & Presentation Skills

This award recognizes achievement in the development of speaking and presentation skills.

It is open to senior-secondary or post-secondary students who have participated in a secondary school JA program within the past five (5) years.

Four (4) students will be awarded **\$2,500** each, to further their post-secondary education.

Award winners present their speeches at the annual Business Laureates of British Columbia Hall of Fame Gala Dinner and Induction Ceremonies. Other requirements, date and format TBD.

Deadline: March 12, 2021

Note: If you applied for this award in 2020, your application will be automatically carried over. The award wasn't adjudicated in 2020 due to the postponement of the Gala.



Eligibility requirements and application links can be found at jabc.ca/awards

Dr. Donald Rix Inspiring Business Excellence Scholarship

This award recognizes a self-identifying Indigenous OR rural (outside Metro Vancouver, Fraser Valley and Greater Victoria) OR new immigrant student (born outside Canada) who has demonstrated significant growth in business skills, learning skills, leadership skills and/or entrepreneurial skills.

The winning student will receive **\$2,500** to further their post-secondary education.

Deadline: May 9, 2021

Jan Bell-Irving Award for Women's Leadership

This award's purpose is to inspire and encourage young women to lead at the highest levels, with heart. The Jan Bell-Irving Award recognizes a female Junior Achiever who demonstrates the ambition to lead and the ability to do so with collaboration and kindness.

The winning student will receive **\$2,500** to further their post-secondary education.

Deadline: May 9, 2021

JABC Basin Impact Award

This award recognizes two students from the Columbia Basin who have demonstrated how a JA program significantly improved their work readiness skills and positively impacted their future. (For Columbia Basin region, please see Columbia Basin Trust Region Map at Ourtrust.org/about/basinmap)

Two winning students will receive **\$1,250** to invest in their future.

Deadline: May 9, 2021

2. Student Company Awards

JA Student Companies can complete one application form for both awards below.

Student Company of the Year Award

This award recognizes excellence in teamwork and cooperation, and outstanding planning, operation and performance of a JA Student Company.

The winning JA Student Company will receive **\$3,000** for the team.

The team will also be entered into the national JA Canada Company of the Year award. The National award winner will represent JA Canada at the international JA Americas Company of the Year competition.

Deadline: May 9, 2021

Celebrate Entrepreneurship Provincial Award

To be confirmed for 2021

This award recognizes the JA Student Company that demonstrates the most innovation in their business. Innovative products, services or business models will be judged by a panel of experts.

Award for the winning JA Student Company is to be confirmed.

In 2020, this award was generously sponsored by the Ministry of Jobs, Trade and Technology

Deadline: May 9, 2021



3. Mentorship Opportunities



Creative Destruction Lab-Vancouver (CDL-Vancouver)

JABC is pleased to partner with CDL-Vancouver to offer a unique mentorship opportunity to recognize high school girls participating in JA Company Program. Applicants are enthusiastic, ambitious and curious about entrepreneurship, technology, or science-based innovation.

The application for the virtual mentorship experience will go live in January 2021. To learn more, please contact the High School Girls Program Coordinator at lisa.mah@createdestructionlab.com.

This opportunity is made possible by CDL-Vancouver.

Minerva BC Learning to Lead

Learning to Lead™ is an interactive virtual program that invites young women to develop a leadership mindset in a supportive and fun environment.

JA Company Program female students are encouraged to apply.

Programs will be held May and June 2021. For more information, please visit Minervabc.ca/learning-to-lead.

This opportunity is made possible by Minerva BC.

For more information on all these awards and mentorship opportunities, visit jabc.ca/awards