

# 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](http://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](http://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](http://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.

*This award is generously supported by CIBC.*

**Deadline: May 16, 2021**

### Celebrate Entrepreneurship Provincial Award

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.

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

*This award is generously supported by the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation.*

**Deadline: May 16, 2021**



## 3. Mentorship Opportunities



### Creative Destruction Lab-Vancouver (CDL-Vancouver)

The CDL Apprentice Program program offers an engaging learning experience for female-identified students 14-18 years of age who have a curiosity for STEM-related topics and a keen interest in how science and technology are transforming the world and the opportunities available to the next generation of leaders.

Programs begin February 2021.

Learn more at: [createdestructionlab.com/program/cdl-apprentice-program](https://createdestructionlab.com/program/cdl-apprentice-program).

*This opportunity is made possible by CDL-Vancouver.*

### Minerva BC Learning to Lead

Learning to Lead™ is a leadership program open to Grade 11 girls, transgender, and non-binary youth. Participants gain confidence through a series of interactive workshops and activities. This interactive program invites young women to develop a leadership mindset in a supportive and fun environment.

Programs begin May 2021.

Learn more at: [Minervabc.ca/learning-to-lead](https://Minervabc.ca/learning-to-lead).

*This opportunity is made possible by Minerva BC.*

For more information on these opportunities and JA Canada national awards, please visit [jabc.ca/awards](https://jabc.ca/awards)