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RE/MAX Awards \$12,000 in Bursaries to High School Graduates

Kelowna, BC (May 3, 2010) – Twenty four students from Western Canada were recently notified that they will be individually presented with a RE/MAX 2010 ‘Quest for Excellence’ bursary, valued at \$500, during their school commencement ceremonies.

The annual RE/MAX Quest for Excellence program encourages high school graduating students from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, North West and Yukon Territories to write an essay based on their personal experience in one of six topics – Leadership, Sports, Technology & Trades, Performing Arts, Fine Arts and Community Service.

“Over 1300 entries were received this year from students across Western Canada,” says Marie Sheppy, Senior Coordinator, Corporate Affairs, RE/MAX of Western Canada. “We are thrilled to be able to assist these young adults further their education.”

“RE/MAX believes in giving back to our communities, we are proud to play a small part to help students reach their educational goals”, says Elton Ash, Regional Executive Vice President, RE/MAX of Western Canada. “The qualities of essays received are a clear indication that these future leaders will be successful in their chosen field.”

Quest for Excellence Award Winners are as follows:

Leadership Category – Matthew Heesing, Fort Saskatchewan, AB; Melissa Ruchogez, Calgary, AB; Andrea Marshall, Lake Country, BC; Corbin Smith, Abbotsford, BC.

Sports Category – Harry Hothi, Edmonton, AB; Travis Vugteveen, Chilliwack, BC; Kelsa Gobeil, Westbank, BC; Andrea Bain, Victoria, BC.

Technology & Trades Category – Matthew Thompson, Castlegar, BC; Vladimir Zachata, Richmond, BC; Jamie Law, Winnipeg, MB; Anna Leong, Burnaby, BC.

Performing Arts Category – Kathleen Ennis, Langley, BC; Wanmeng Zhou, Delta, BC; Joseph Hoffman, Fort McMurray, AB; Audrey Kwan, North Vancouver, BC.

Fine Arts Category – Meret Shaker, Winnipeg, MB; Katrina Boisclair, Kamloops, BC; Catherine Zulver, Delta, BC; Robyn Lacy, Penticton, BC.

Community Service Category – Tripti Prasad, Winnipeg, MB; Jordan Yeo, Coquitlam, BC; Sabrina Pannu, Surrey, BC; Lisa Choi, White Rock, BC.

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