



**Honours & Awards
Report to AGM 2016
Regina, Saskatchewan**

I am pleased to report that there were several nominations for Honours and Awards this past year. All were favourably accepted and, in keeping with tradition, awards will be announced and presented the final evening of Festival 2016. Another will be presented in the fall at an event local to the recipients who are unable to attend Festival.

Beth has volunteered to work on updating the criteria and guidelines for these awards to bring them to modern times and technology in hopes of making it easier to submit nominations. Please stay tuned.

A reminder of the two awards:

Award of Excellence

"This is the CSRDS's highest award and is reserved for any dancer, or caller/cuer or leader who is a member of the Society. Awards may be made posthumously or to former members no longer active in the movement. There are no restrictions as to the number of awards granted, nor is there a requirement to make an Award in any given year. The recognition is reserved for those whose contribution to square, round, contra, clogging and line dancing is well outside the activities of the average participant. Accomplishments could be either a single, exceptional result in a short period of time, or a steady, continuing, above-average contribution over a long period of time."

Long Service Award

"A Long Service Award is presented to persons who have made contribution and service to the movement over many years. Any dancer, caller, leader, instructor or cuer member of the Society is eligible for this award. Awards may be made posthumously or to former members no longer active in the moment. There is no restriction as to the number of awards granted, nor is there a requirement to make any award in any given year."

If you know of someone in your dancing community deserving of either award, please consider submitting a nomination. Complete information and current nomination forms for these awards can be found on the website. You may also contact me or Beth directly for information.

Thanks.

Respectfully submitted,
Darcy McGifford
Chair, Honours & Awards