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MCoS Multicultural Honours Awards Ceremony Multicultural Superheroes make significant contributions to multiculturalism

Her Honour, Lieutenant Governor Vaughn Solomon Schofield will join the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to the multicultural community on **Saturday, November 19, 2016 at 2:00 pm** at Government House in Regina. Her Honour, Lieutenant Governor Vaughn Solomon Schofield, MLA Mark Docherty, and Bob Byoem, president, Saskatchewan Government and General Employees' Union (SGEU), will speak and present awards.

Background:

This hallmark event is part of [Saskatchewan Multicultural Week](#) that runs from November 19 to 27, 2016. This year we celebrate the 42nd anniversary of the Saskatchewan Multiculturalism Act. Saskatchewan was the first province to introduce multicultural legislation in 1974.

Award Nominees:

- 1) Each year, the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan presents the Betty Szuchewycz Award to an adult who has made significant contributions to the multicultural community. The 2016 award nominees are:
 - **Erika DuMont**, Karnevalgesellschaft Harmonie, Regina
 - **Faeeza Moolla**, Islamic Association of Saskatchewan & Muslims for Peace & Justice, Regina
- 2) The Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan and the Saskatchewan Government and General Employees' Union (SGEU) will present the third annual Multicultural Youth Leadership Award to an individual who is 29 years of age and under. The 2016 award nominees are:
 - **Jellyn Ayudan**, Dr. Martin LeBoldus Catholic High School Multicultural Club, Regina
 - **Sneha Chakraborty**, Mudra School of Performing Arts, Saskatoon
 - **Haris Khan**, Regina Public Interest Research Group, Regina
 - **Fartun Mohamud**, University of Regina African Students' Association, Regina

Related Links on MCoS Website:

[Building Welcoming Communities](#)

[Who is Your Multicultural Superhero?](#)

Media Note:

The program ends around 2:45 p.m. at which time interviews can be conducted. Due to limited space and time, a scrum can be set up. Please ensure both recipients receive media coverage. 'B' Roll can be gathered from 2 - 2:45 p.m.

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About the Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan (MCoS):

The Multicultural Council of Saskatchewan is a charitable, non-profit organization committed to promoting, fostering, improving and developing multiculturalism in the cultural, economic, social and political life of Saskatchewan while working to achieve equality of all residents. We support member organizations in a variety of ways, including workshops, investments in their activities that implement our mission, aims and objectives, networking and information, and being the lead voice on multiculturalism in the province. We also support anti-racism and multicultural education activities in schools. We celebrate significant dates, such as Saskatchewan Multicultural Week in November, Black History Month in February, International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on March 21st, Hispanic Heritage Month in April, Asian Heritage Month in May, National Aboriginal History Month in June, and Celebrate Canada from June 21st to July 1st. For more information, please visit mcos.ca and follow us on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn.

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