

22 June 2023

ORDER of PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND (O.P.E.I.)

TERMS:

Awarded to citizens of Prince Edward Island as the highest distinction accorded to a citizen of the province in the name of the Crown to recognize excellence and contributions to the social, cultural and economic life of the province and its residents. The Medal of Merit represents exceptional contributions in such areas of endeavour as the arts, business and industry, community development, chosen professions or occupations, public service, research, or volunteer service.

Any individual or organization may submit nominations for the investiture in the Order of Prince Edward Island. Any present or former long-term resident of the province is eligible for nomination, with the exception of elected federal, provincial or municipal representatives, and members of the judiciary, while still holding office. Posthumous nominations are not accepted. An independent Advisory Council receives nominations and presents recipients to the Premier on an annual basis. The Lieutenant-Governor of Prince Edward Island is the Chancellor of the Order and presents the honour in the name of the Crown.



Recipients may use the post-nominal letters: O.P.E.I. The recipients are announced in June of each year and the medals presented in mid-September of each year.

DESCRIPTION:

A circular medal, 2 inches in diameter done in enamels.

OBVERSE:

In the centre is the Provincial emblem (red, gold, white, green and brown enamels) against a background of gold. A ring of blue enamel is around the emblem with the word MERIT at the top in gold separated from the words Prince Edward Island (in gold) at the bottom by two gold dots.

The French version of the medal has:

In the centre is the Provincial emblem (red, gold, white, green and brown enamels) against a background of gold. A ring of blue enamel is around the emblem with the word MERITE at the top in gold separated from the words ILLE-DU-PRINCE-EDOUARD (in gold) at the bottom by two gold dots.

REVERSE:

Blank

MOUNTING:

A gold ring at the top with the hole aligned along the rim of the medal has a large gold ring attached. The ribbon passes through this ring and is worn around the neck.

RIBBON:

The ribbon is 1 1/2 inches wide with narrow white edges (1/8" wide), rust and green stripes (1/2" wide) separated by a white stripe (1/4" wide) (rust strip is to the left).

DATES:

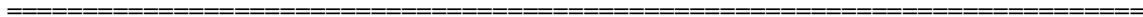
Established in 1996 and formalized through the passage of the Provincial Emblems and Honours Act by the Legislative Assembly of Prince Edward Island in 1997 (Provincial Emblems and Honours Act, R.S.P.E.I. 1988, Cap. 36, was given Royal Assent on 29 May, 1997).

ISSUED: 82 to July 2020 (one resigned in 2017)

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- 3 – 2016 (John Joe Sark resigned May 2017) 15 June 2016
- 4 – 2017 (3 plus the new Lieutenant-Governor Antoinette Perry who was appointed 20 October 2017)
- 3 – 2018 (Announced 06 July 2018; ceremony in October 2018)
- 3 – 2019 (Announced 28 June 2019; ceremony in September 2019)
- 3 – 2020 (announced 13 July 2020; ceremony September 2020)
- 3 – 2021 (announced 30 June 2021; ceremony September 2021)
- 3 – 2022 (announced 22 June 2022; ceremony Fall 2021)
- 3 – 2023 (announced)

Total – 89 awarded to 01 July 2022 (one resignation in May 2017)

ANNOUNCED: June or July



ORDER of PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND (OPEI)

YEAR	NAME	TITLE	POSITION	DECORATIONS /
2022	ANDREW, John Wallace	Dr	Medical Physicist / Watershed Issues	OPEI
2018	ARENDZ, Mark	Mr	Eight-Time Paralympic Medalist	OPEI
2005	ARSENAULT, Angèle	Ms	Acadian Author / Composer / Performer	OC OPEI
2004	ARSENAULT, Eloi	Father	Promotion of the Acadian Culture	OPEI
2019	ARSENAULT, Jeannette	<u>Ms</u>	Owner Gift Shop Shop & Play in Albany	OPEI
2003	ARSENAULT, Joseph <u>Georges</u>	Prof	Radio Host / Editor / Acadian History	CM OPEI
2005	BAGNELL, Flora Minnie <u>Leone</u>	Ms	Farmer / Teacher / MLA in PEI	CM OPEI
2016	BATEMAN, Carolyn	Ms	Co-Founder Autism Society of PEI	OPEI MSM
2008	BERNARD, Darlene	Chief	Lennox Island Mi'kmaq First Nations	OPEI
2001	BERNARD, J. Léonce	Hon	Chancellor of OPEI 2001 / Lt-Gov PEI	KStJ OPEI
2004	BOLGER, Francis W.P.	Prof	History Univ. PEI / Montgomery Expert	CM OPEI
2019	BRODERICK, Leo	Mr	Tignish Native / Activist for Social Justice	OPEI
2012	BRYANT, Emily	Ms	Work in Mental Health / Nursing Clyde River	OPEI
2020	BRYANTON, Olive	Prof	UPEI / First multi-purpose Seniors Centre PEI	OPEI
1998	BRYENTON, Marlene	Ms	Crusader for Women with Breast Cancer	OPEI
2008	BUELL, Garnet	Mr	Musician	OPEI
1998	BURGE, Marie	Ms	Founder Family Reunification PEI	OPEI
2017	CALLBECK, Catherine S.	Hon	Premier 1993 to 1996 / MP / Senator	CM OPEI
2011	CALLBECK, William C.	Mr	Volunteerism Central Bedeque	OPEI
2006	CAMERON, Sheldon R.	Dr	Work in Addictions Treatment	OPEI
2013	CAMPBELL, Alexander Bradshaw	Hon	Premier of PEI 1966 to 1978 / PEI Judge	OPEI
2015	CAMPBELL, Bill	Mr	Founder Bills Lane Housing Development	OPEI
1996	CHEVERIE, Charles	Rev	Professor of Biology University of PEI	OPEI
2019	CHISHTI, Najmul H.	Dr	Research Scientist / Youth Table Tennis	OPEI
2000	CLEMENTS, Gilbert R.	Hon	Chancellor of OPEI 1996-2001	OPEI
2021	CORRIGAN-MURPHY, Noreen	Ms	Owner Corrigan Lodge Elder Care / Philanthan.	OPEI
2023	CURRIE, Teresa	Sister	Tireless Worker for the Less Fortunate	OPEI
2018	CUTCLIFFE, Heather	Ms	Occupational Therapist from Augustine Cove	OPEI
2012	CUTCLIFFE, Sibyl	Ms	Fundraising / Volunteer Work	OPEI
2011	DAVIES, Eleanor	Ms	Nurse / Island Hospice Association	OPEI
2003	DEACON, Donald M.	Major	RCA / Co-Chair Katimavik / Boy Scouts	OC OPEI MC (CM)
1997	DEIGHAN, Mary	Sister	Leader in St. Martha's Church	OPEI
1996	DEWAR, George	Dr	Founded University PEI	CM OPEI
2013	DEWAR, Vera Elizabeth	Prof	Nursing University of PEI	CM OPEI
2015	DIXON, Gerald Sheldon	Mr	Teacher / Basketball Coach / Horses	OPEI
2016	DRYER, Dagny	Dr	She is PEI's First Medical Oncologist	OPEI
2002	DUFFY, Anna	Mrs	Teacher and Community Service	OPEI
2010	DUFFY, Regis	Prof	Dean of Science U of PEI / BioVectra	CM OPEI
1999	ELDERSHAW, Edith	Ms	Community Service Tignish	OPEI
1996	ELLIS, Kent	Dr	Physician in Hunt River for 40 Years	OPEI

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2000	GAUDET, J. Henri	Mr	Acadian and Irish Heritage	CM OPEI
2002	GRAHAM, Allan	Mr	Author/Lecturer /Historian/Musician	OPEI
2010	GRIFFIN, Diane F.	Ms	PEI Program Manager Nature Conservation	OPEI
2006	HAGARMAN, Barbara A.	Hon	Chancellor / 40 th Lt-Gov of PEI	DStJ OPEI
2014	HAMBLY, H. Wayne	Mr	Chair Mega Group Furniture/Appliance	CM OPEI
2009	HAMBLY, Wilma	Ms	Businesswoman / Church Elder	OPEI
2008	HAMILL, Nancy Ann	Ms	Health advocate / Teacher / Cancer Work	OPEI
2017	HENNESSEY, Catherine	Ms	Historian /Author/ Heritage Activist.	CM OPEI
1996	HOGAN, James	Mr	Visual Artist	OPEI
2000	HUDSON, J. Arthur	Mr	Work with Church, School Boards, Sports	OPEI
2023	HUGHES, Mary	Ms	Palliative Care Community Nurse	OPEI
2012	INGS, Albert "Bud"	Dr	Veterinarian / MLA & Minister / Writer	OPEI
2018	JEWELL, Irene	Ms	Jewell's Country Gardens in York	OPEI
2005	KEY, Derek D.	Mr	Lawyer / Summerside Volunteer	CM OPEI
2006	LEDWELL, Frank J.	Mr	Poet Laureate of PEI	OPEI
2006	LEWIS, Dorothy A.	Ms	Entrepreneur / Historian	OPEI
2011	LEWIS, H. Frank	Hon	Lieutenant-Gov / Chancellor of OPEI	KStJ OPEI
1997	LINKLETTER, Charles	Mr	PEI Tourism Industry	CM OPEI
2017	MacAULAY, James Clement	Mr	Principal in St. Peters Bay / Revitalization	OPEI
2009	MacDONALD, Elmer	Mr	Agrologist of the Year 1991 / Farmer	OPEI
2021	MacISAAC, Maitland	Mr	Fostering Wellness & Promoting Literacy	OPEI
2014	MacLAUCHLAN, H. Wade	Prof	Pres Univ of PEI / Dean Law Dalhousie	CM OPEI
2007	MacLEAN, William ('Bill')	Mr	International Children's Memorial Place	OPEI
1997	MacRAE, Helen Stewart	Ms	Worker with the I.O.D.E.	OPEI
2000	McGUINN, Shirley	Ms	School Teacher / Work with Students	OPEI
2004	McNEILL, Mary <u>Barbara</u>	Ms	First Atlantic Cdn to Swim English Channel	OPEI
2013	MADIGANE, Joyce	Dr	40 years Physician Tyne Valley	OPEI
2001	MALONEY, John	Dr	Obstetrician / MLA / Cabinet	OPEI
2001	MANNING, Maylea	Mrs	Agriculture / Equestrian Sports / Music	OPEI
2021	MORRISON, Heather	Dr	Chief Public Health Officer of PEI since 2007	OPEI
2014	MOYSE, Heather Leanne	Ms	Gold in Bobsleigh Olympics 2010 & 2014	OPEI
2007	MURPHY, Ray	Mr	Pharmacist / Volunteer Work	CM OPEI
1999	O'HANLEY, Hubert 'Sock'	Dr	Pediatrician 50 Years	OPEI

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2023	PARSONS, Scott	Mr	Singer / Songwriter / Black & Maritime Music	OPEI	
2017	PERRY, Antoinette	Hon	LG of PEI / Music & French Teacher Tignish	DStJ OPEI	
1996	POIRIER, M. Ulric	Mr	Teacher / WWII Service	OPEI	
2020	PURDY, Henry	Mr	Professional Visual Artist & Art Instructor	CM OPEI	
1996	REID, Marion	Hon	Lieutenant-Governor of PEI	CM DStJ OPEI	
1998	RICHARD, Antoine	Mr	Acadian Education	CM OPEI	
2007	ROBBINS, Helen	Ms	Teacher / Community Volunteer	OPEI	
2016	SARK, John Joe	Keptin	Spiritual Leader for the Mi'Kmaq People	OPEI	
2017	SARK, John Joe - Resigned	Keptin	Spiritual Leader for the Mi'Kmaq People	-----	
2022	SCHNEIDER, Gary	Mr	Respected and Committed Environmentalist	OPEI	
1999	SCHURMAN, Paul H.	Mr	Pres Gulf Broadcasting	CM OPEI	
2020	SIMPSON, B.E. ('Bev').	Mr	Owner Vesey Seeds Ltd. with wife Shirley	OPEI	
2010	SMITH, Brady	Father	Addictions Treatment Charlottetown	OPEI	
2022	THÉRIAULT, Claudette	Ms	Distinguished Francophone PEI Civil Servant	OPEI	
2015	TRAINOR, Charles St. Clair	Dr	Family Physician / PEI Chief Coroner	OPEI	
2001	WALL, Kay	Mrs	Active Volunteer over 38 Years	OPEI	
2002	WILLIAMS, Elmer	Mr	Post Officer/Community Service	OPEI	
2003	WILSON, J.P. Noel	Mr	Council Chair Cardigan 26 Years	OPEI	
2011	WONG, David	Dr	Pediatrician Summerside / Neonatal Care	OPEI	
2009	ZAKEM, Frank	Mr	Mayor of Charlottetown / Educator	OPEI	

John Joe Sark, Keptin and Spiritual Leader for the Mi'Kmaq People resigned from the Order in May 2017 because the government would not change the name of Fort Amherst. General Amherst was a British General who sold blankets laced with smallpox to the natives in Prince Edward Island and Mr. Sark believed keeping the name was an insult to the Mi'Kmaq People (and he is right). However, the Province doesn't control the name.

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ORDER of PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND + OFFICER / MEMBER, ORDER of CANADA

(OC / CM OPEI)

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1999	SCHURMAN, Paul H.	Mr	President Gulf Broadcasting	CM OPEI	

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ORDER of PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND + MILITARY CROSS

(OPEI MC)

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>MC</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>UNIT</u>	<u>DECORATIONS</u> /
2003	10/11/45	DEACON, Donald Mackay	Major	Royal Canadian Artillery	OC OPEI MC (CM)



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2010 OPEI Recipients



Premier Robert Ghiz, Diane F. Griffin, Dr. Regis Duffy, Father Brady Smith and Honourable Barbara Hagerman

2013 OPEI Recipients



Right to Left: Premier Robert Ghiz with 2013 Order of PEI recipients Dr. Joyce Madigane, Vera Dewar and Alex Campbell. His Honour H. Frank Lewis, Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island and Chancellor of the Order

2014 OPEI Recipients



Premier Robert Ghiz with 2014 Order of PEI recipients Wade Maclaughlan, Heather Moyse, and Wayne Hambly plus His Honour H. Frank Lewis, Lieutenant Governor of Prince Edward Island and Chancellor of the Order

2015 OPEI Recipients



Bill Campbell, Gerald Dixon & Dr. Charles Trainor

2016 OPEI Recipients



Carolyn Bateman, LG Frank Lewis, John Joe Sark (resigned), Dr. Dagny Dryer

2019 OPEI Recipients



Najmul H. Chishti

Jeanette Arseneault

Leo Broderick

2021 OPEI Recipients



Left to right: The Hon. Dennis King, Premier of PEI; recipients Bev Simpson, Professor Olive Bryanton and Henry Purdy; plus the Hon. Antoinette Perry, Lieutenant Governor of PEI

2021 OPEI Recipient



Noreen Corrigan-Murphy, OPEI



**Dr. Heather Morrison, OPEI
Chief Public Health Officer**



Mr. Maitland MacIsaac, OPEI

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