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### 2008 PREMIERS ATHLETIC AWARD RECIPIENTS

#### **Abbotsford**

Rebecca Pretious, Judo  
Ashley Bowling, Rhythmic  
Gymnastics - Special  
Olympics

#### **Burnaby**

Jessica DesMazes, Athletics  
and Basketball - Wheelchair  
Sports  
Elisha Williams, Basketball -  
Wheelchair Sports  
Robert Hedges – Basketball  
– Wheelchair Sports  
Christopher Lowe,  
Equestrian  
Sebastien Boissonneault,  
Racquetball  
Derek Wintermans,  
Snowboarding  
Shirley Fu, Table Tennis  
Jasvir Singh, Weightlifting  
Haislan Garcia, Wrestling

#### **Campbell River**

Jason Mills, Swimming -  
Special Olympics

#### **Cobble Hill**

Hana Taiji, Soccer

#### **Coquitlam**

Andrew Sturgeon,  
Basketball – College Male  
Charlotte Mackie,  
Gymnastics  
Danny Chambers,  
Gymnastics  
Zach MacDougall, Golf

#### **Coquitlam (cont'd)**

Sandy Gill, Synchronized  
Swimming  
Athina Vazeos, Water Polo  
Jessica Long, Water Ski

#### **Cranbrook**

Kevin Evans, Archery

#### **Delta**

Cecylia Witkowski, Figure  
Skating  
Marc Thériault, Figure  
Skating - Special Olympics  
Chris Duehrsen, Soccer - CP  
Sports  
Evan Van Niekerk, Water  
Polo

#### **Enderby**

Alysson Marshall, Cross  
Country Skiing

#### **Fort St. John**

Robert Hedges, Basketball -  
Wheelchair Sports  
Jay Morrison, Speed Skating

#### **Invermere**

Ben Thomsen, Alpine Ski

#### **Kamloops**

Jessica DesMazes, Athletics  
and Basketball - Wheelchair  
Sports  
Gary Reed, Athletics  
Jessica Hewitt, Speed  
Skating

#### **Kamloops (cont'd)**

Caitlin Meredith, Swimming  
– University Female

#### **Kelowna**

Kelsey Wyse, Alpine Ski -  
Special Olympics

#### **Langley**

Nic Lendvoy, Baseball  
Frederick Jaskiewicz, Judo  
Monica Pinette, Modern  
Pentathlon  
Taylor McBeth, Softball

#### **Maple Ridge**

Wesley Hammer,  
Canoe/Kayak  
Jaclyn Nazareno, Basketball  
– College Female

#### **Merritt**

Gary Reed, Athletics

#### **Mission**

Maggie Henderson,  
Canoe/Kayak  
Brent Hayden, Swimming

#### **Nakusp**

Jesse McDonald,  
Snowboarding

#### **New Westminster**

Kyle Turris, Hockey

#### **North Saanich**

Jessica Sedlock, Biathlon

**North Vancouver**

Julie Seabrook, Basketball  
Stefi Gjine, Tennis  
Robbie Paterson, Water Ski

**Pemberton**

Miranda Miller, Cycling

**Pitt Meadows**

Yvette Yong, Tae Kwon Do

**Port Alberni**

Andrew Sturgeon,  
Basketball – College Male

**Port Coquitlam**

Derek Wintermans,  
Snowboarding  
Nikita Tchernikov, Tennis

**Port Moody**

Chris Congram, Target  
Sports

**Powell River**

Doug Ripley, Goalball -  
Blind Sports

**Prince George**

Matthew Neumann, Biathlon  
Kenny Lally, Boxing  
Jennifer Simm, Freestyle Ski

**Richmond**

Darryl Neighbour, Curling -  
Wheelchair  
Kira Meixner, Golf  
Toshihide Uchiage, Karate  
Demetra Mantcheva,  
Rhythmic Gymnastics  
Bruce Millar, Sailing

**Richmond (cont'd)**

Jagroop Bhullar, Wrestling –  
University Male

**Rossland**

George Grey, Cross Country  
Skiing

**Saanichton**

Karen Brain, Para-  
Equestrian

**Salmon Arm**

Casey Archibald, Basketball  
– University Male

**Salt Spring Island**

Kristen Iverson, Squash

**Saanichton**

Karen Brain – Para  
Equestrian

**Summerland**

Matt Crosby, Freestyle Ski

**Surrey**

Stephanie Hansen, Diving  
Kaitlyn Williams, Field  
Hockey  
Marc Thériault, Figure  
Skating - Special Olympics  
Isabella Bertold, Sailing  
Kevin Yang, Tae Kwon Do  
Joke Adekola, Weightlifting

**Vancouver**

Brad Skeats, Athletics -  
Wheelchair Sports  
Phyllis Chan, Badminton  
Alvin Lau, Badminton  
Marc Trasolini, Basketball  
Antoni Kindler, Field  
Hockey

**Vancouver (cont'd)**

Jeremy Ten, Figure Skating  
Doug Ripley, Goalball -  
Blind Sports  
Shawn Marsolais, Goalball -  
Blind Sports  
Valentina Zolotarova,  
Karate  
Tik Maynard, Modern  
Pentathlon  
Maralyn Hope, Netball  
Anthony Jacob, Rowing  
Annamay Pierse, Swimming  
Caitlin Meredith, Swimming  
– University Female  
Tony Liu, Table Tennis  
Jessica Long, Water Ski  
Amanda Gerhart, Wrestling

**Victoria**

Diane Cummins, Athletics  
Gary Reed, Athletics  
Stephanie Jackson, Curling  
Jeff Clarkson, Cycling  
Zachary Nicol, Diving  
Lindsay Jennerich, Rowing  
Andrew Crow, Rugby  
Adam Straith, Soccer  
Catherine Thwaites, Target  
Sports  
Scott Dagnall, Triathlon  
Kirsten Sweetland, Triathlon  
Devon Parkinson, Volleyball  
Shanice Marcelle, Volleyball

**West Vancouver**

Georgia Simmerling, Alpine  
Ski  
Rafik Bhaloo, Squash

**White Rock**

Isabella Bertold, Sailing

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