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It may seem like a weird time for this, but to me it feels a bit like the end of August right now. Definitely not because of the weather (it snowed again at my place last night), but because the current IAP2 Canada Board is finishing up its 2014-2015 term. As of our **Annual General Meeting** at the end of the month you will have a new board of 9 directors and 6 deputy directors taking up the leadership of this fine organization (plan to **attend the AGM** on April 28th for the official announcement of the incoming board).

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**Anne Harding,**  
IAP2 Canada President

## Nominations are now open for the 2015 IAP2 Canada Core Values Awards!

If you've been part of a team that's delivered a great P2 project in the past year, you only have a couple of weeks left to make sure it gets due recognition. Applications will be received up to **May 4** for the **2015 IAP2 Canada Core Values Awards**.

There are four Project Categories:

- **Extending the Practice through Collaboration, Creativity and Innovation in the Field**
- **Indigenous Engagement**
- **P2 for the Greater Good** and
- **Respect for Diversity and Inclusiveness**

There are also three National Award Categories:

- **Organization of the Year**
- **Research Project of the Year** and
- **Project of the Year**, which will be chosen from the four Project Category winners, above.

The three National Award winners will go on to compete for IAP2 Federation CorDCe Values Awards against winning projects from other Affiliates.

Find out more about the process [here](#), download the application kit [here](#); and if you need some ideas from past winners, check out their videos and application documents [here](#).

**If you still have questions, please join us for a [special webinar, Tuesday, April 21 at 11am Pacific time \(2pm EDT\)](#).**

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**Register**

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### From our Monthly Webinar: “Engaged People Engage People.”

As the City of Melbourne, Australia, set out to build its Citizen Engagement (CE) strategy, one of the first steps was to make the staff champions of CE, themselves. **Desley Renton**, Melbourne's Community Engagement Manager, and Community Engagement Officer **Kate Henderson**, were the presenters for our

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### P2 – The IAP2 May Webinar: “Evaluating Your P2 Project”

It's one of the great questions in the P2 profession: “Is it working?” **Evaluating Your P2 Process**, Tuesday, May 12, will feature some leaders in evaluation. **Dr Julia Abelson** of McMaster University, **Geoff Wilson** of the Capital District Health Authority in Halifax, and **Charmagne Campbell-Patton** and **Michael**

April webinar, “**Creating a Framework for Citizen Engagement**”. Their project led Melbourne to be named Organization of the Year at the IAP2 Federation Core Value Awards last year.

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**Quinn Patton** of Utilization-Focused Evaluation in St Paul, MN. With them, you’ll learn how the principles they’ve discovered and put to work can be applied to your own practice.

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## Your thoughts are welcome – *and needed!* – at the 2015 IAP2 Canada AGM

You have a unique opportunity to help shape the future of the P2 practice and our organization at the Annual General Meeting, **Tuesday, April 28 at 2pm EDT**. It’s being held online by webinar, so wherever you are, you’ll be able to hear about the accomplishments of 2014, plans for 2015, and hear from and ask questions of the new and continuing Board Members. There will also be an open discussion on two subjects integral to the P2 practice: advancing the practice as a whole, and reviewing the IAP2 Spectrum. Register here, and remember that there is a two-stage process: you’ll receive a confirmation email with a link to follow, to get your login instructions.

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## Meet the Members: Michelle Kuly Holland



**Michelle Kuly Holland,**  
**P2 Consultant – Principal, First Person**  
**Strategies, Winnipeg**

**How long have you been in P2, and where have you worked?**

I started in P2 over a decade ago. My background was in writing and publishing - I worked at the Institute of Urban Studies, and then with several magazines, but that was at a time when the publishing model was changing. My shift to P2 came when I was heading upNext American City (now **Next City**), a Philadelphia-based national non-profit organization in the US. When my visa ran out I came back to Winnipeg and have been here for the past 8 years, the last 4 with my own consulting practice.

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## Take Time to Refresh at the Skills Symposium!

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IAP2 members in both Canada and the USA have been asking for more intermediate and advanced training opportunities, and here they are! The **IAP2 USA Skills Symposium, May 27-31** at the **Humphrey School of Public Affairs** in Minneapolis, MN. It promises to be an intensive, invigorating five days of learning and networking that will take your practice – whatever your experience – to a whole new level.

Check out the array of one-, two- and three-day courses on offer, but be aware: courses that do not have at least 12 participants by April 27 will not be offered, so it's a matter of *choose or lose*.

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## IAP2 Student Webinar – Reflections From The Panel

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Amidst looming end of term papers and finishing corporate quarterly reports students, faculty and practitioners alike took 90 minutes out of their days on March 31st to share experiences and dream about what's possible for student engagement and IAP2. **You can check out the full recording** to feel like you were there, or simply read the reflections of two participating panelists below.

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