

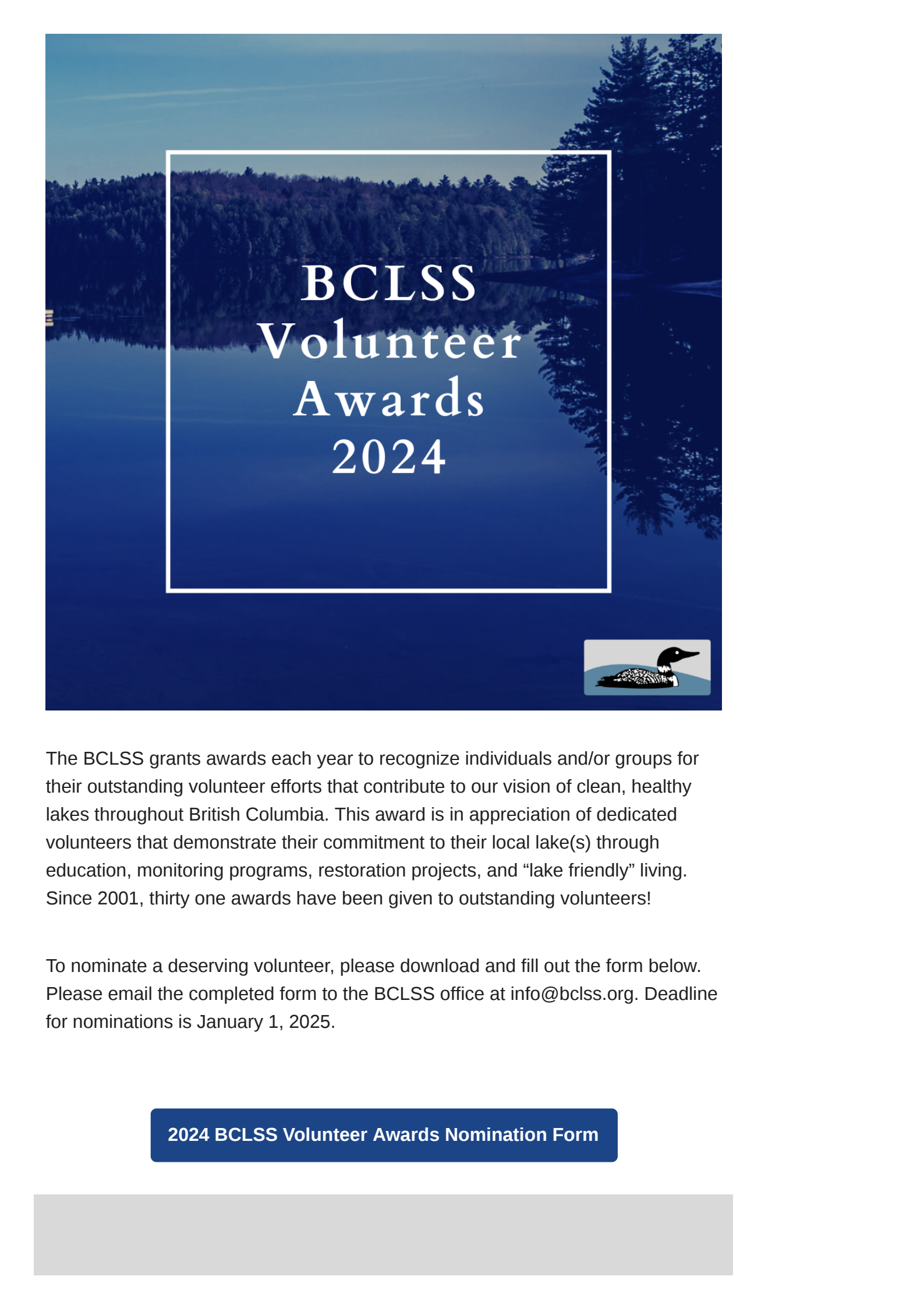
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BCLSS Volunteer Awards 2024



The BCLSS grants awards each year to recognize individuals and/or groups for their outstanding volunteer efforts that contribute to our vision of clean, healthy lakes throughout British Columbia. This award is in appreciation of dedicated volunteers that demonstrate their commitment to their local lake(s) through education, monitoring programs, restoration projects, and “lake friendly” living. Since 2001, thirty one awards have been given to outstanding volunteers!

To nominate a deserving volunteer, please download and fill out the form below. Please email the completed form to the BCLSS office at info@bclss.org. Deadline for nominations is January 1, 2025.

[2024 BCLSS Volunteer Awards Nomination Form](#)



BCLSS Director Eric Bonham (right), presenting Paul Gowland (left) with the 2023 Outstanding Volunteer Award at the Cowichan Stewardship Roundtable on March 19th at the Freshwater Fisheries Society of BC, Eco-Centre in Duncan

B.C Lake Ice Reporting Tool



With Winter fast approaching, don't forget to report on the status of lake ice on your local lake! Ice-on and ice-off dates for BC lakes are important data for climate change research. By comparing these dates to climate change trends, we can examine how global warming is affecting our lakes.

The B.C. Lake Ice Reporting Tool was developed to standardize the data and make it easier to submit. Click the button below to submit an observation.

[B.C. Lake Ice Reporting Tool](#)

Storing Your YSI Over Winter



Now that monitoring is wrapping up for the season, it is important that equipment is stored properly so that it will be in good working order next spring. For those of you that monitor Dissolved Oxygen using a YSI instrument, read this article for storage tips:

[Store Your Water Quality Instrumentation Properly](#)

If you have any questions about storing your instrument for the winter, please email us at info@bclss.org.



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Please consider joining our network of lake stewards! For more information on the benefits of membership, [visit our website](#).

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The BCLSS acknowledges that the lake stewardship activities of our staff, directors, and volunteers take place on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded lands of First Nations Peoples throughout British Columbia. We recognize that Indigenous Peoples have stewarded these lands and waters for generations and we are grateful to the Elders, Traditional Knowledge Keepers, and youth that implement their knowledge and traditional laws to preserve water and life for the benefit of all.



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