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Meewasin Announces Conservation Award Winner 2018 November 14, 2018

Max Abraham is the 2018 recipient of the Meewasin Conservation Award which is presented annually to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the heritage resources of the Meewasin Valley.

Meewasin is honored to have Max Abraham as the recipient of the 34th Meewasin Conservation Award, presented to Max last evening by Meewasin Board Chair Colin Tennent at the annual Meewasin Holiday Reception. Recognizing the occasion, in the spring of 2019, a tree will be planted in Max's name in the Meewasin Valley.

Born and raised in Cabri, Saskatchewan, Max spent his formative years on the family farm and in the town with the freedom of the South Saskatchewan River where he spent much of his time exploring, camping and fishing. His youth was filled with sports, band and scouting.

A strong appreciation for land and his life experiences pushed Max to first enter into the Renewable Resource Program at Kelsey Campus which provided his next stepping stone to the University of Saskatchewan pursuing a degree in Education. During his teaching career he moved into the role of Vice Principal and then Principal. In these roles he excelled, influenced and pursued outdoor and environmental education collaborating with the Ministries of Environment and Education. Max was the lead writer for the "Out-Of-School Education Concept Plan" which focused on possibilities of future system and school sponsored outdoor experiences for all students. Writing grants to access funds for these opportunities which included influencing senior leaders on concepts of Brightwater and curriculum programming at Beaver Creek. Upon his retirement from teaching Max moved into the management role of Partners FOR Saskatchewan River Basin for three years.

Max's many conservation contributions also include: Former President of the Pike Lake Cottage and Watershed Association, Long term Board member of The Saskatchewan Environmental Society, Water Issues Advisory Committee, Meewasin's Educational Advisory Committee and a representative for SES with the Northeast Swale Watchers.

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