



Meewasin and the Saskatoon Community Foundation Announce the Gladys Hall Memorial Bench

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A bench honoring the life and legacy of Gladys Hall can now be found in the Meewasin Valley overlooking the river and the Meewasin Trail.

From trees to plaques on benches and many other items throughout the Valley, Meewasin is pleased to help residents find ways to memorialize their loved ones in the Meewasin Valley. That includes working with a variety of community partners to create special memorials to incredibly special people.

Gladys Hall was respected and cherished member of the community. Her tireless work benefited a number of charities, including CNIB, Autism Services, the Western Development Museum, Ronald McDonald House, YWCA Saskatoon, Saskatoon Interval House, and Meewasin. In 2001, Saskatoon Community Foundation helped Gladys establish a fund to help support these same organizations.

After Gladys passed away in October 2017, plans to memorialize her began. Since she loved spending time in the Meewasin Valley, a bench has been placed and dedicated to her on Spadina Crescent between 22nd and 23rd Streets.

Andrea Lafond, CEO of Meewasin spoke to the dedication, “Honoring someone with the impact of Gladys Hall is no easy task. Meewasin is proud to have worked with her as well as the Saskatoon Community Foundation and the rest of her community partners to add to her incredible legacy in this city.”

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About Meewasin Valley Authority

The Meewasin Valley Authority exists to ensure a healthy and vibrant river valley, with a balance between human use and conservation by:

- *Providing leadership in the management of its resources;*
- *Promoting understanding, conservation and beneficial use of the Valley; and*
- *Undertaking programs and projects in river valley development and conservation, for the benefit of present and future generations.*

There are 67 square kilometers of land and over 90km of established trail, which has seen up to 1.87 million trail visits per year, in the Meewasin Valley. The area also features sites that help people to connect to nature through experiences such as Beaver Creek Conservation Area, the Northeast Swale, Saskatoon Natural Grasslands, the River Landing Spray Area, and the Cameco Meewasin Skating Rink @Nutrien Plaza. Meewasin is a non-profit organization that relies on donations and volunteers for sustainability. To get involved or learn more visit www.meewasin.com.