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40 Anniversary
Dedication
Celebration



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For generations, families, friends, and neighbours have gathered in the Meewasin Valley to mark life's most meaningful moments. For the past 40 years, Meewasin's Dedication Program has offered a way to turn those moments into lasting tributes, more than 5,000 of them across the Valley.

Each dedication begins as something deeply personal: a memory held close, a name cherished, a milestone celebrated. But here, in this shared landscape, those tributes grow into something more. They become shade on a warm afternoon, a place to rest during a long walk, a gathering spot for friends, and a landmark in someone else's story.

Together, these acts of love and remembrance have helped shape and care for the Valley itself, supporting the trails we walk, the trees that shelter us, and the spaces where new memories to take root.

Thank you for being part of this living, growing legacy.

As part of our dedication celebration we wanted to invite our supporters and partners of Meewasin to provide regards to all participants of the program.

Opening Prayer
Emcee, Meewasin CEO
Meewasin Board Vice Chair
Guest Speaker
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Senior Conservation Coordinator
Musical Guests

Lyndon Linklater
Mike Velonas
Mark Feader
Karen Heise
Riley & Cassandra Thiesen
Grant Wood
Erica Maier
Erica Maier & Sarah Denis

Meewasin is located on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We humbly acknowledge the traditional caretakers of the land and honour the First Nations and Métis people of this place.



Saskatoon Road Runners Association Node

Recipient	Donor
Maryann Deutscher	Maryann Deutscher
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Rani Joy Morrall*	Barbara Morrall & Family
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Bob Sweedish*	Barbara Morrall & Family
Thursday Morning Running Group	Robby Chan

Rotary International Peace Plaza

Recipient	Donor
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Sam, Kitty & Kaye Russell	Merry Beazely

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Nobel Peace Prize Winners @ Rotary International Peace Plaza

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Meewasin's Signature Experiences

Meewasin is where conservation meets curiosity, where nature meets nightlife, and every outing is a chance to discover something new in Saskatoon's beautiful backyard. From stargazing and birdwatching to unforgettable grazing dinners, Meewasin's signature experiences invite you to connect with the Valley in new ways.

Best of all, every experience supports the conservation and education efforts that help protect this special place for generations to come.



Book your
experience today!



Benches

*denotes In Memory of

Recipient

Blake & Eileen Adamson*
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Grant Mickelson*
Robin Morrall, Rani Morrall,
Flora Sweedish, Mike Sweedish,
& Bob Sweedish*
Yasha Ponomarenko*
Mark Tennant*
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Neighbours & JPCH staff



Trees

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Anna-Lise Pauline Hodgins*	DEF-06	Tisdale Boys Breakfast Club
Indigenous Peoples Day	DEF-07	SK Recycles
Wesley James Rowson*	DEF-08	Heather, Lloyd, Lachlan, & Leah Rowson
Peter Stoicheff	CWP-10	Meewasin Valley Authority
Margot Wallace*	CWP-11	CUPE Local 3761

Shrubs

Recipient	ID	Donor
Troy Beaver*	DEF-09	Barb & Gary Kachur
Margaret Mazurkewich*	SW-23	Marion Pope, Wylma Orosz & Arlene Proctor

Tree & Shrub Maps

Scan the QR code to view the maps online!
Or see a Meewasin Staff Member for a printed version.



NE Swale Hectare

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Your Impact

"On these early morning walks along the river banks, then, we reflected on the 600 million years of geological history beneath our feet We listened to the quiet voice of the 10,000-year-old, but still-young, river. We heard in our mind's ear the voices of participants and individuals articulating their perceived needs, their feelings and thoughts. We studied the warm glow developing within ourselves that seemed linked to the love of people past and present." - Raymond Moriyama, The Meewasin Valley Project

This quote from the 100-year-plan which planted the seed for our organization highlights one clear truth: without the love, passion, and support of those who feel connected to this river valley, Meewasin would not be Meewasin. Each of the **21 trees/shrubs, 15 bricks, and 15 benches** dedicated this past year will contribute to the health & vibrancy of their surroundings.

As Moriyama reflected, it is this love of people past and present - people like yourselves - that allow for the love of people present and future to blossom.



Thank you for supporting Meewasin!



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