

## Official Launch of the Skills Canada: Turf Wars Landscape Gardening Mini-Series

### WHAT IS IT?

Skills/Compétences Canada (SCC) is launching an exciting landscape gardening mini-series, *Skills Canada: Turf Wars*, hosted by Carson Arthur, international landscape designer and HGTV celebrity. The series was filmed on location at the 2017 Skills Canada National Competition (SCNC), held in Winnipeg, MB, and it focuses on landscape gardening, one of 44 recognized skill areas at SCNC. The mini-series is a collaboration between SCC and its partners, including Husqvarna, Stanley DeWalt and the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association.

### WHY IS IT HAPPENING?

The goal of the series is to demonstrate the skills, innovation and planning that goes into completing a complex landscape project, by a team of two people, in less than 12 hours. Attendees will view the trailer and “snippets” from each of the five episodes.

### Landscape gardening tools include:

- Laser level, for determining grade and elevation;
- Compound sliding miter saw, for accurately cutting dimensional lumber;
- Portable Masonry Saw or wet brim saw, for safely, accurately and efficiently cutting stone material with minimal dust;
- Vibrating plate compactor, for compacting grades and preparing bases for stone installation;
- Manual tools: hammers, chisels, rakes, shovels and wheel barrows.
- Essential Skills that are crucial to a career in landscape gardening:
  - Numeracy
  - Document Use
  - Oral Communication
  - Working with Others