

SKILLS CANADA NATIONAL COMPETITION (SCNC) 2019

Events of interest to the Media

**Please refer to the Program and Visitor Guides for the detailed SCNC 2019 Event Agenda.*

SCNC Event Location: Halifax Exhibition Centre (HEC)

Monday, May 27

Opening Ceremony Reception

Sponsored by **UA Canada** and **TransCanada**

5:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. **Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21
Rudolph P. Bratty Hall, Hall of Tribute**

Join us for this networking event where you can meet industry celebrities, Skills/Compétences Canada alumni and our event partners. Beverages and appetizers will be served.

Opening Ceremony

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. **Cunard Centre**

Attended by over 1,800 spectators, including competitors, their supporters, industry partners, government officials, special guests and the general public. The Opening Ceremony will officially kick off

the 25th Skills Canada National Competition with an exciting and inspiring show including a parade of the provincial and territorial teams.

Please register on the day of the event at the Media Center at the Halifax Exhibition Centre until 4:00 p.m. or as of 4:30 p.m. at the Cunard Centre.

Tuesday, May 28

WorldSkills Team Canada Selection Event

7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. HEC

Two WorldSkills Team Canada 2019 Prospects in 29 Skill Areas will compete head to head in the WorldSkills Selection Event. The winners will be named to WorldSkills Team Canada 2019 and will continue their preparation for WorldSkills Kazan 2019.

Official Launch Event

Presented by **UA Canada** and **TransCanada**

8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. HEC, Essential Skills Stage, Hall A

Be sure to attend the Official Launch, featuring UA Canada and TransCanada reps and special guests who will compete head-to-head in a surprise competition! Who will win? Cheer on your team and find out!

Competition Day 1

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. HEC

Watch as youth from across Canada compete for medal placement in their chosen skilled trade or technology. Students and apprentices will test their talents and abilities using exacting industry standards in hands-on competitions with their peers.

Try-A-Trade® and Technology Activities

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. HEC

Over 50 Try-A-Trade® and Technology stations including activities related to: welding, cooking, video production, sheet metal work, car painting, fashion technology, mechanical CADD, plumbing, and many more. These activities enable visitors to put their skills to the test and get a feel for the trades. Visitors complete small projects that expose them to components of the trades. In many instances, visitors can bring home the finished project that they created with their own hands. Visitors will be provided with an Essential Skills passport that will be signed off on after they complete each Try-A-Trade® and Technology activity that they perform. They can then submit their passport upon departure for a chance to win a prize.

Essential Skills Stage Interactive Demonstrations

9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. HEC, Essential Skills Stage, Hall A

The Essential Skills (ES) program highlights the importance of the nine Essential Skills commonly used in skilled trade and technology careers. The Essential Skills stage will showcase over a dozen 30-minute

interactive demonstrations. Skills/Compétences Canada partners and industry celebrities will deliver interactive presentations that demonstrate what it takes to work in a given trade or technology sector. Students will be invited to participate in these on-stage challenges aimed at highlighting Essential Skills, with special emphasis on **Continuous Learning**. See the Essential Skills Stage Schedule for more information.

Essential Skills Talks

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. HEC, Hall E

Watch it on our YouTube Channel at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SkillsCanadaOfficial>
Skills/Compétences Canada and Futureworx will bring a national webcast available to watch online post-event. A series of special guests including alumni, industry partners and industry celebrities will discuss the importance of the Essential Skills for success in education and skilled trade and technology careers.

Skills Canada Automotive Technology Summit

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. HEC, Hall A, Room Prospect 1

This is a unique opportunity to gain direct insight into automotive industry trends, changing technology and skills needed in the future workforce. This Summit brings together experts from car manufacturers, education, industry and recruitment to share information about the rapidly evolving automotive industry, vehicle construction and design, technology integration and the impact on repair methodology, tooling and training; the skills and training needed to prepare students for the future; and recruitment tips for employers and potential employees.

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Competition Day 2

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. HEC

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Essential Skills Forum

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. HEC, Hall A, Room Prospect 1

Sponsored by the Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency (NSAA). At this session, we will look at ways to encourage young Canadians to consider a skilled trade or technology career. We will also discuss the importance of Continuous Learning to complete an apprenticeship and how this Essential Skill contributes to a successful career in the skilled trades and technology.

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Young Women in Construction Conference

Hosted by **UA Canada**

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. HEC, Hall A, Room Prospect 1

Learn about the vast opportunities in the construction trades and take part in panel discussions with experienced mentors. Special guests include HGTV Celebrities Kate Campbell and Sebastien Clovis.

Thursday, May 30

Farewell Reception

Sponsored by **RBC Foundation**

10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21,
Kenneth C. Rowe Hall & Chrysler Canada Pavilion

Join us for this networking event where you can meet industry celebrities, Skills/Compétences alumni and our event partners. A hot breakfast will be served.

Closing Ceremony

12:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Cunard Centre

Attended by 1,800 spectators, during the Closing Ceremony Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded for the 44 trade and technology competitions. The official members of WorldSkills Team Canada 2019 will also be announced. They will be competing at WorldSkills Kazan 2019.

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