

# NEWS RELEASE



## Celebrate National Forest Week with Art and Win!

**Vancouver, BC (September 18, 2014)** – The Association of BC Forest Professionals (ABC FP) and the Truck Loggers Association (TLA) are holding an art competition from September 18 to October 17, 2014 to celebrate National Forest Week. The art competition is open to kids aged 4 to 12 – parents can submit their own kids' artwork or teachers can enter the work of the whole classroom.

Kids from across the province are invited to draw a picture of what the forests in their communities mean to them. There will be three winners – one from each age group. Winners will receive a \$50 gift certificate to Chapters and will have their pictures published in the ABC FP and TLA magazines and posted on the websites of both organizations.

“Asking children to draw pictures of the forest is always interesting,” says Dan Graham, RPF, LLB, president of the ABC FP. “Kids from different culture draw different animals and trees than what we’re used to seeing and sometimes the creatures are completely imaginary. I love seeing the pictures every year!”

“Forestry plays a significant role in the communities these kids live in,” said Don Banasky, TLA President. “It’s great to see what the kids draw each year—always lots of camping and animals. But I always love the ones that have a big machine in the picture!”

Pick up your pencil crayons and visit the ABC FP or the TLA websites to download the art competition entry form, [www.abcfp.ca](http://www.abcfp.ca) or [www.tla.ca](http://www.tla.ca).

*The **Association of BC Forest Professionals**, established in 1947, is the largest professional forestry association in Canada with more than 5,400 members. The association registers and regulates professional foresters and forest technologists under authority of the provincial Foresters Act.*

*The **TLA (Truck Loggers Association)** represents over 400 independent coastal forest contractors and their suppliers in British Columbia. The TLA promotes a thriving, sustainable forest industry in BC, and fosters communication and education within resource communities, urban centres and governments.*

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