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Commissioner's Award presented to Hank Karr

WHITEHORSE—Commissioner of Yukon Doug Phillips presented longtime Yukon musician Hank Karr with a Commissioner's Award for Public Service at the Canada Day ceremonies in Whitehorse yesterday.

"Hank Karr is an asset to this community and to Yukon," Phillips said. "He has become an ambassador for Yukon, showcasing the magic and allure of the territory with his many live shows, recordings and videos."

Karr was presented the award in recognition of more than 45 years of wide-ranging volunteer efforts across Yukon. He has donated his time and music to many groups and organizations over the years, including the Golden Age Society, the Yukon Order of Pioneers, the Royal Canadian Legion, the Elks Club and several seniors' homes.

Commissioner Phillips also presented an Exemplary Action certificate to Falina Creswell-Hens and Commissioner's Commemorative Pins to former commissioners Judy Gingell, Doug Bell and Ione Christensen. Faro youth musician Elyjah Bekk entertained the crowd as part of the Commissioner's Youth Showcase program.

The Commissioner's Awards for Public Service honour outstanding individuals who have made a significant volunteer contribution to Yukon business, academics, arts, culture or society outside their regular employment. For more information visit www.commissioner.gov.yk.ca/awards.

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