



**Date: May 5th and 6th, 2023**

**Location: Canadian Mennonite University**

The Rotary Club of Winnipeg, founded in 1910, became the first Rotary Club to sponsor a Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) in 1957. It has organized MUNA annually ever since. Each year, up to 150 high school students from western Canada, and the northern U.S. gather in Winnipeg to debate and build consensus on pressing global issues through this two-day immersive simulation of the UN General Assembly and its substantive Committees. Like the UN, MUNA focuses on accomplishing collective goals through mutual understanding and creates an opportunity for generating a culture of consensus-building among future leaders. MUNA takes pride in its long legacy of leadership skills development; among our alumni are a Premier, a Federal Foreign Affairs Minister and Nobel Prize nominee, a Foreign Diplomat, a Grand Chief, and other public servants.

## MUNA's Vision

### Consensus Building

The global community is facing economic, social, and environmental crises exacerbated by the growing division among nations. Consequently, consensus building and respectful debate are the essential skills for the 21st century. MUNA is committed to providing students with leadership skills and strong foundations in consensus building. Participation in MUNA will help them contribute to real and lasting progress on issues such as human rights and responsibilities, reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples, climate change mitigation, eradication of poverty, nuclear disarmament, and peace making.

### Inclusivity and Accessibility

We recognize the importance of equal access for students to this immersive event. Like the CMHR, we cherish diversity and are dedicated to making MUNA inclusive and accessible for students from diverse backgrounds.

### Continuous Growth

The Winnipeg MUNA is committed to providing the most accurate simulation of international diplomacy possible. In 2019, we invited an expert from the United Nations to visit Winnipeg and help update our procedures to more accurately simulate the latest informal consultation processes used by the General Assembly and its committees. Furthermore, in 2021 and 2022, similar to the UN, we continued hosting the event virtually, while successfully maintaining the quality and influence of the event.

*"I believe participating in the Model UN was one of the formative experiences of my youth."*

- Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, Chair - World Refugee Council, Nobel Peace Prize Nominee, former Minister of Global Affairs Canada, Graduate of the 1st Winnipeg MUNA



*"Taking part in the prestigious Winnipeg Model United Nations Assembly as a high school student allowed me to experience for the first time how politics is conducted, both in the public halls and behind the scenes. It gave me a taste of what it means to speak to the hopes, dreams and needs of all citizens. For the participants of the Winnipeg MUNA, it is the perfect time to hone your debating and negotiating skills, and to put your convictions into action."*

-Former Manitoba Premier, the Honourable Greg Selinger, also a graduate of Winnipeg MUNA

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