

Media Advisory/Photo and Interview Opportunity July 28

Students at Prestigious SHAD Program Showcase Innovative Solutions to Food Security in Canada at 12 SHAD Host University Campuses from coast to coast

What happens when the brightest high school students from across Canada come together in the spirit of science, innovation and entrepreneurship? Get a glimpse of the leaders of tomorrow as they showcase their solutions to improve food security for all Canadians after just four weeks.

At SHAD, which was founded in 1980, students are immersed in an intense one month enrichment program focused on STEAM subjects: science, technology, engineering, arts and math. SHAD helps these exceptional students reach their potential and become change makers.

WHO?

In one of the unique elements at SHAD, top youth from across the country are challenged to innovate to come up with an original product or service to help solve a current economic or social problem and this year the students were asked to come up with original ideas to improve food security for Canadians.

THE CHALLENGE?

Canada is on the cusp of the 150th anniversary of Confederation yet food security is a serious concern. In 1867, almost every Canadian grew their own food; currently that number is 3%. Today, systems of food production, processing, distribution, and waste are complex and intertwined with influences such as climate change, energy prices, population density, locality, and socio-economic status. The students were challenged this year to look at how they could improve food security for Canadians.

On Thursday July 28, Media are invited to visit Open Day at one of our 12 host campuses at the times described below as students showcase their projects. *Media will have an opportunity to interview students about their ideas, talk to SHAD's Program Directors and take photographs.*

The winning project from each campus will compete for SHAD's John Dobson Entrepreneurship Cup, SHAD's annual national awards which will be handed out in Toronto on October 27.

For more information about SHAD, please contact Teddy Katz, Vice President Media Relations for SHAD, teddy@shad.ca or call (647) 505 8095

<p style="text-align: center;">University of British Columbia</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 10:00 AM Great Hall - AMS Student Nest (3rd floor) 6133 University Boulevard</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 2:30 – 5:00 PM Great Hall - AMS Student Nest (3rd floor) 6133 University Boulevard</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">University of Calgary</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 1:00 – 4:00 PM Energy Environment Experiential Learning (EDEL) building lobby</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 7:30 PM Alberta Room (Dining Centre)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">University of Saskatchewan</p> <p>PROJECT PRESENTATIONS: 2:00 – 3:00 PM 1B71 of Engineering Building, University of Saskatchewan</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 3:00 – 5:00 PM Atrium, Agriculture Building, University of Saskatchewan</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 7:30 – 9:30 PM Neatby-Timlin Theatre (Room 241), Arts Building, University of Saskatchewan</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Lakehead University</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 2:30 PM Agora University Centre</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 9:00 – 11:30 PM UC – 1017</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">University of Waterloo</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 1:30 – 4:00 PM Great Hall, Conrad Grebel University College</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 7:30 PM Great Hall, Conrad Grebel University College</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">McMaster University</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 2:00 – 4:30 PM McMaster University Student Centre (MUSC) Marketplace</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 8:30 – 10:30 PM Convocation Hall in University Hall</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Queen’s University</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 2:30 – 4:30 PM Integrated Learning Centre(also known as Beamish-Munro Hall) 45 Union Street</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 8:30 – 11:00 PM Chernoff Hall 117</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Carleton University</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 2:00 – 4:30 PM Prescott House Multi-Purpose Room</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 7:00 – 9:00 PM River Building Atrium</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Western University</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 1:00 – 4:00 PM Perth Hall 1125 Western Road</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 7:00 - 9:00 PM London Hall 1140 Western Road</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">University of New Brunswick</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 1:00 PM Upper DKT lounge</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 4:00 PM Wu Conference Centre</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Dalhousie University</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 2:00 – 4:00 PM Atrium; Steele Ocean Sciences building 1355 Oxford Street</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 9:00 PM – Midnight First Baptist Church Hall 1300 Oxford Street</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Memorial University of Newfoundland</p> <p>OPEN DAY EXHIBITS: 1:00 – 4:00 PM Main lobby of the Bruneau Centre for Innovation and Research</p> <p>VARIETY SHOW: 9:00 PM D.F. Cook Recital Hall, School of Music</p>