



Ripple Farms Inc. wins Ontario's Social Enterprise of the Year Award presented by Startup Canada

Sault St. Marie, Ontario – June 20, 2018 – Ripple Farms Inc. received the Startup Canada Social Enterprise of the Year Award in Sault St. Marie presented by the Centre For Social Innovation. As a proud sponsor of the fifth annual Startup Canada Awards, we are thrilled to recognize and celebrate outstanding achievement in Canada's entrepreneurship and innovation community across Canada.

“Congratulations to the 2018 winners of the Startup Canada Awards,” **said Victoria Lennox, Co-Founder & CEO of Startup Canada.** “These winners represent the very essence of entrepreneurship. We are proud to celebrate their success with Canadians and our partners around the world.”

Steven Bourne, Co-Founder & CEO of Ripple Farms Inc., was very grateful after receiving the award, stating: “We would like to thank everyone who has supported Ripple Farms over the past two years, whether it was, engaging in our educational workshops, collaborating on agri-innovations, or - of course - eating our local greens and seafood! This award stands as a great validation of the hard work the Ripple team, mentors, partners, and supporters have invested in our enterprise thus far. It is an excellent milestone in a long journey ahead, as we continue the pursuit of answering the question – ‘How many can we feed?’”

Regional winners will now be evaluated by the National Adjudication Committee; comprised of some of Canada's leading entrepreneurship and industry experts. The national winners will be announced and celebrated at the [Startup Canada Awards Grand Finale](#) in Ottawa on October 18, 2018 following [Startup Canada Day on the Hill](#).

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About the Startup Canada Awards

The [Startup Canada Awards](#) can be likened to the Oscars for the Canadian entrepreneurship community. The awards celebrate and recognize individuals, communities, and institutions that demonstrate innovation, excellence, outstanding achievement, and impact in advancing entrepreneurship in Canada:

- Celebrate those working to advance entrepreneurship in Canada;
- Increase awareness of the importance of strengthening Canada's entrepreneurship ecosystem and culture; and,
- Incentivize efforts and elevate the ambitions of the Canadian entrepreneurial and innovation community.

For more information, visit www.startupaward.ca.

About Ripple Farms Inc.

Ripple Farms' purpose is to reconnect urban populations with food by engaging people through hands-on workshops and educational material. Their aim is to tackle food insecurity one meal at a time. With a focus on traceability, Ripple Farms' wants to make sure that consumers know what they are buying and eating.

Ripple Farms' is a company that is always innovating in both their technological and biological operations with the intentions of becoming more efficient/productive, all while pushing the boundaries of biomimicry. By partnering with institutions and like-minded organizations, Ripple Farms looks to influence the industry in a positive way.

For more information, visit <http://ripplefarms.ca/>.

About Startup Canada

Startup Canada is the national rallying community and voice for Canada's 2.3 million entrepreneurs. Since launching in 2012, Startup Canada has grown to represent more than 200,000 entrepreneurs and 50 grassroots communities from coast to coast to coast. Through digital programs and flagship events, Startup Canada is the network promoting, inspiring, educating, connecting and giving a voice to Canada's entrepreneurs; supporting them to start, operate and scale businesses that build a better Canada for the world today and for future generations. For more information, visit www.startupcan.ca.

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