

Top Media Opportunities

Competition Days, Sept. 2 - 5, Stampede Park

Watch 900 highly-skilled, passionate Competitors participate in 45 skills on the international stage. Interim results will be available daily, as the top five Competitors in most categories will be announced after each Competition day. In order to interview a Competitor, media must coordinate through the Team Leader for each country/region. Their contact information will be available in the media centre.

Try-A-Skill at Skill City

In the Skill City tent near the Stampede Grandstand visitors can Try-A-Skill for themselves, opening their eyes to potential career options and developing a deeper appreciation for professionals working in skills, trades or technologies.

Opening Ceremony, Sept. 1, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Stampede Grandstand

The Opening Ceremony will pump up Competitors and their supporters, offering a glimpse of the week ahead as well as speeches from dignitaries, entertainment, fireworks and a Parade of Nations.

Closing Ceremony, Sept. 6, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Stampede Corral

WorldSkills Champions in each of the 45 skill categories will receive awards and medals. As this is the official closing of the 40th WorldSkills Competition, the WorldSkills flag will be passed from WorldSkills Calgary 2009 to the next Competition host, WorldSkills London 2011.

One School, One Country, Sept. 1, 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Various Schools Throughout Calgary

This program matches elementary and junior high schools in Calgary with teams from each of the 51 WorldSkills International Member countries/regions. On Sept. 1, 55 schools will welcome those teams to Calgary (some teams will be split into two) with pep rallies, traditional western meals, line dancing and more.

50,000 Alberta Students Visit WorldSkills Calgary 2009

The Government of Alberta has provided funding for Grade 9 and 10 students in Alberta to visit WorldSkills Calgary 2009. These students will gain tremendous perspective on skills, trades and technologies. Some schools have decided to send more than just Grade 9 and 10, seeing the value for all students to attend the 40th WorldSkills Competition. The student visits will occur throughout the week. Interviews with students must be approved and arranged by their teacher or supervisor.

Canada House and Alberta House

These two tent facilities will profile numerous learning and working opportunities available in Canada and Alberta. They are located in the Global Skills Village, which runs parallel to the Competition at Stampede Park.

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The 40th WorldSkills Competition is coming to Calgary, Alberta, Canada from September 1 – 7, 2009. The organizing committee, WorldSkills Calgary 2009, is leading the event coordination with support from WorldSkills International, Skills/Compétences Canada, and Skills Canada Alberta.