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FROM ATHABASCA TO THE ROYAL WINTER FAIR: LOCAL YOUTH SPEAKER EARNS SECOND PLACE



A journey that began on a local stage in Athabasca has led to an exciting achievement at the Royal Winter Fair. Shelby Duterte earned Second Place at the Royal Winter Fair Youth Speaking Event this past weekend, showcasing the confidence, dedication, and talent of Alberta's next generation of speakers.

Shelby's journey began earlier this year at the Youth Speaking Event hosted in Athabasca by the Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies (AAAS). What started as an opportunity to develop public speaking skills and build confidence has grown into an exciting experience on a much larger stage.

Her success is a wonderful reminder of the opportunities that youth speaking programs can create for young people. These events give participants the chance to find their voice, share their idaeas, build confidence, and develop skills that will benefit them for years to come.

> "We are incredibly proud of Shelby and excited to see how far she has come since participating in our Athabasca event earlier this year. Achievements like this highlight the importance of creating opportunities for young people to step forward, share their voices, and discover what they are capable of."
> *-Tim Carson, AAAS CEO*



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THE NEXT YOUTH SPEAKING SEASON STARTS JULY 10!

With the next Youth Speaking season beginning July 10, AAAS is looking forward to welcoming another group of talented young speakers.

The Athabasca Youth Speaking Event will once again provide an opportunity for youth to step outside their comfort zones, gain valuable experience, and showcase their abilities. Following the incredible talent and participation seen last year, we would love to see even more young people take part and make this year's event just as memorable.

Whether it's a young person's first time speaking in front of an audience or they're looking to build on previous experience, Youth Speaking is a great place to start.

Shelby's achievement is an exciting example of where that first step can lead. We hope to see many new and returning participants take the stage in Athabasca this coming year.

CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN TO SHELBY DUTERTE! WE'RE CHEERING YOU ON AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING WHAT COMES NEXT.





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