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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **2015 Your Story, Your Voice Contest Winners Announced!**

Contest was launched by Representative for Children and Youth to promote child rights and new office.

**Iqaluit, NU** The Representative for Children and Youth is pleased to announce the winners of the office's 2015 Your Story, Your Voice Contest. The 2015 contest was launched on National Child Day, November 20, 2015, and the theme for the inaugural writing contest was "the right to culture." Entries ranged from artwork with personal statements on the right to culture to short essays. Three individual winners and one classroom participation winner were chosen by an RCY office panel from submissions from children and youth across Nunavut.

"My staff and I were truly impressed with all the entries we received. It's clear that young Nunavummiut are fiercely proud of their culture and believe they have a right to practice it," Representative for Children and Youth Sherry McNeil-Mulak said.

## The 2015 winners are:

- Tanner Kalluq Resolute Bay- Winner Kindergarten to Grade 3
- Byron Rudolph Gjoa Haven Winner Grade 4 to Grade 7
- Sarah Sagiaktuk Kimmirut Winner Grade 8 to Grade 12
- Netsilik High School Class Taloyoak Winner Classroom Participation

You can find more information on the 2015 winning entries and prizes on the RCY's website: www.rcynu.ca.

**About the Representative:** The Representative for Children and Youth's office protects and promotes the rights of Nunavut's children and youth. We represent their voice in matters that affect them and ensure the Government of Nunavut protects and advances their rights and interests.

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