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## **Austen Anderson Wins Robert C. McHaffie Junior Ambassador Competition**

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**CALGARY, AB** — The Canadian Angus Foundation is pleased to congratulate the winner of the 2011 Robert C. McHaffie Junior Ambassador Competition, Austen Anderson of Swan River, Manitoba. The award was presented at the Canadian Angus Association annual general meeting on Saturday, June 11.

Austen started his own purebred Angus herd eight years ago while also being an active part of Anderson Cattle Company. He is the son of purebred Angus breeders Bruce and Lone Anderson.

Austen is a student at the University of Regina studying education and is also an artist. He donated one of his original paintings to the auction held at the Canadian Angus Association annual general meeting banquet. The funds raised were donated to the Canadian Angus Foundation.

About his win, Austen Anderson says, "I enjoyed meeting all the breeders that attended this year's annual general meeting. I look forward to representing this fine breed in all capacities and encouraging further junior involvement."

The Robert C. McHaffie Ambassador Award program selects one Canadian Junior Angus Association member to be an ambassador for Canadian Angus Association youth at major shows and events across Canada. Four Canadian Junior Angus Association members competed for the award. Kevin Bolduc of Stavely, Alberta; Megan Kemp of Pilot Mound, Manitoba; and Laurie Noiseux of Saint-Paul-d'Abbotsford, Quebec, all deserve recognition for their efforts in the competition. The judges describe this as a hotly contested competition with a stellar group of candidates.

Competitors are judged on speaking ability, knowledge of the Angus breed and the cattle industry, as well as personal deportment during the three-day annual general meeting of the Canadian Angus Association.

The Canadian Angus Foundation functions to preserve and expand the Angus breed for future generations through education, youth development, scientific and market research, and historical preservation. The Canadian Angus Foundation was incorporated in 1993 and is the charitable arm of the Canadian Angus Association.

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