

**WHO'S YOUR
AUDIOLOGIST?**

Sounds+

Sounds+ Future Leaders Award

Sounds+ is a not-for-profit professional network of audiologists across Canada. Our focus is to provide a professional support network for audiologists, to host and champion educational opportunities related to hearing health & rehabilitation, and to educate the public and other health professionals about the importance of hearing health care & audiology.

Sounds+ has been offering a scholarship to audiology students at Dalhousie University in the form of an essay competition for almost 20 years.

The Future Leaders Award's intent is to inspire students to become audiology advocates. The award is in memory of a founding member of our organization. Jean Kienapple was one of the founders and former president of Sounds+. She was the Chief Operations Officer/ Vice President of Audiometric Consultants Maritimes Ltd., as well as Audiology Associates of Nova Scotia and Audiology Associates of PEI. She was the Co-founder of the Canadian Academy of Audiology (CAA), a fellow of the American Academy of Audiology, a member of the American Academy of Dispensing Audiologist, a member of the Canadian Association of Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists, and a former board member of the American Foundation of Audiology. Jean was an advocate for the profession of audiology. She was very passionate about helping others and making a difference.

This year's competition will be **blog post submissions only**. We would love to see your creative minds educate the public and other health professionals about the importance of hearing health care & audiology. The award recipient will be chosen based on who best conveys our message by a committee of Sounds+ representatives and will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Please email your entry along with your submission form to: info@youraudiologist.ca

Many barriers exist for those trying to address their hearing health, and one of them is cost. Unfortunately, financial hardship is becoming more commonplace and is continuing to force people to make hard decisions about their health and safety.

**The topic of the 2024 Sounds+ Future Leader's Award is
"Why is provincial hearing aid funding needed in Nova Scotia?"**

At Sounds+ we value the voice and perspective of our youth in expressing importance of hearing health, click here [Apply for Scholarship](#)

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