



Children's Water  
Education Council

## **The Ontario Water Works Association and the Children's Water Education Council win the 2005 AWWA Section Education Award!**

The Ontario Water Works Association (OWWA) and the Children's Water Education Council (CWEC) will receive an Education Award for its "Just Add Water" program at the Annual Conference of the American Water Works Association in San Francisco, June 2005. The award is given to each section that advances water conservation and awareness in the community.

The "Just Add Water" program provides trailers that accommodate at least ten activity centres that can easily be transported to outlying communities. A 'How to Start a Water Festival' manual outlines everything you need to ensure a successful festival including: establishing a steering committee, choosing a venue, activity centres, teacher orientation and volunteers.

OWWA is a subsidiary of the American Water Works Association. Its Youth Education Committee encourages water utility membership to support Children's Water Festivals across Ontario.

In partnership with the Children's Water Education Council, the "Just add Water" program will help create more Festivals across the province; meeting teachers' needs to educate their students about water related issues.

"By providing communities with the resources to start a Festival, we are encouraging more youth to become environmental stewards." Grant Murphy, Chair of the Education Committee with the Ontario Water Works Association.

For information about this program, please see the Children's Water Education Council website at [www.cwec.ca](http://www.cwec.ca).