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## Canadian water advocate Maude Barlow joins Walk for Water 2015!

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We're pleased to welcome Maude Barlow to our 2015 [Dunnottar Walk for Water](#) event, taking place this coming Sunday, July 26.

Perhaps best-known as the national chairperson of the [Council of Canadians](#), Barlow also chairs the board of Washington-based [Food and Water Watch](#), is a board member of the San Francisco-based International Forum on Globalization and a councillor with the Hamburg-based [World Future Council](#). Maude is also a co-founder of the [Blue Planet Project](#), an organization that promotes water justice based on the principles that water is a human right, a public trust and part of the global commons.

Maude is the recipient of 12 honorary doctorates as well as many awards, including the 2005 Right Livelihood Award (known as the "Alternative Nobel"), the 2005 Lannan Foundation Cultural Freedom Fellowship Award, the Citation of Lifetime Achievement at the 2008 Canadian Environment Awards, the 2009 Earth Day Canada Outstanding Environmental Achievement Award, the 2009 Planet in Focus Eco Hero Award, and the 2011 EarthCare Award, the highest international honour of the Sierra Club (US).

In 2008/2009, she served as senior advisor on water to the 63<sup>rd</sup> President of the United Nations General Assembly and was a leader in the campaign to have water recognized as a human right by the UN. She is also the author of dozens of reports and 17 books, including her latest, *Blue Future: Protecting Water For People And The Planet Forever*.

Maude will be delivering the keynote speech at [Dunnottar Water Awareness Day](#), taking place on Saturday, July 25, the day before Walk for Water. LWF is a proud sponsor of this family-friendly event, and staff will be in attendance all day to share information about our great lake and our efforts to restore and protect its health.

We're thrilled that such a passionate advocate for water has decided to participate in Walk for Water 2015, the largest grassroots fundraising event in support of a healthy Lake Winnipeg.

We encourage all Manitobans to join us as we work towards collaborative solutions for our lake. More information about Dunnottar Walk for Water, including online pre-registration and downloadable pledge forms, is available [here](#).

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