

## 2017 GLOBAL CITIZEN AWARD - Youth & Innovation



**T**RACEY MITCHELL is a settler from Treaty 4 Territory (Moose Jaw), now living in Treaty 6 Territory (Saskatoon). She sits on the national board of The Council of Canadians and is active in Climate Justice Saskatoon. Since 2010, Tracey has also been the Saskatchewan Coordinator for Next Up, an intensive program which trains young social change leaders. Tracey ran her own facilitation practice for five years and, in addition to Next Up, she now works as a peer support mentor in the mental health system, putting her own lived experience of depression to use supporting others. Tracey also loves books and laughter.

Always an innovator, Tracey has used her passion for theatre and public dialogue to take her creative and engaging facilitation techniques and leadership training to new levels. Throughout her work, Tracey has been a constant champion and advocate for youth, and she has been instrumental in creating safe, meaningful, and creative spaces for young people to thrive.

Whether designing and implementing programs, leading facilitations and trainings, or providing personal support as a peer or mentor, Tracey's work and personal approach has directly contributed to the confidence and change-making skills of countless young leaders across the province and beyond. In addition to her work, Tracey volunteers regularly and consistently steps up to provide leadership and support in a variety of grassroots groups working to address issues that affect our local and global community. While working on projects focused on local change, Tracey always strives to ensure that local leadership and change is connected to our broader role in the world. Tracey's efforts and contributions to international development, cooperation, climate justice, young people, and building communities cannot be understated.