

***Sustaining the Islands – Community Stewardship Awards Program***



**2009 Nominee Profile**

**Nominee:** Mayne Island Agricultural Society and Fall Fair, Mayne Island

**Category:** Organization/Group

**Project:** Agricultural Fall Fair

**Nominator(s):** Dereck Atha

**Letters of Support:** N/A

**Project Description:** Established in 1962, the Mayne Island Agricultural Society encourages, assists, and promotes agricultural and horticultural on Mayne Island and neighbouring islands, and encourages and promotes the acquisition and exchange of ideas and knowledge among residents interested in agriculture or horticulture. The Society operates the historical Mayne Island Gaol museum and Mayne Island Thrift Shop, and donates proceeds to community-oriented programs and educational grants for local students. The Society also organizes an annual volunteer-run Agricultural Fall Fair. The Fair has been held every year since 1925 and holds much historical and cultural significance for Mayne Island.