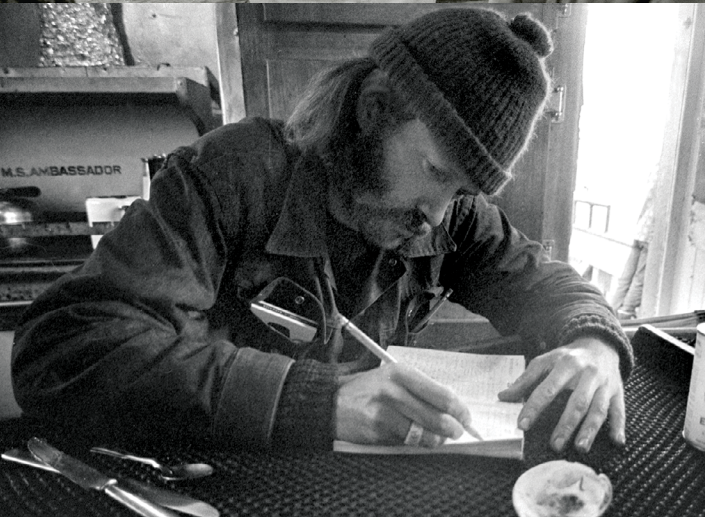




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Bob Hunter:

A Canadian Hero of the Environmental Movement

- Bob Hunter (Robert Lorne Hunter) was born on October 13, 1941 in St. Boniface, Manitoba.
- From an early age, Bob wrote fictional stories and by the age of 20, had completed his first novel, *Erebus*, portraying the rebellious and disillusioned youth of the 1960s. The book was later published and nominated for the Governor General's Award.
- In 1963, Bob moved to Vancouver to write for the *Vancouver Sun*. At 26, he was the youngest journalist to receive a column of his own, speaking for the counterculture movement of the 1960s and 1970s.
- Bob co-founded Greenpeace in 1971 and was its first president. He sailed on the first at-sea Greenpeace campaigns putting his life on the line to protest US nuclear testing on the Alaskan coast, and led anti-whaling campaigns which contributed to the banning of commercial whaling. He was a media master who created compelling stories through daring acts of protest and powerful images, to inspire and affect change.
- In 1977, Bob left Greenpeace and dedicated the rest of his life to Canadian journalism, becoming a popular personality inspiring a new generation of environmental crusaders. Bob wrote non-fiction books about ecology, magazine articles and film and television scripts.
- Bob moved to Toronto and joined City TV as an ecology specialist in 1989. Later he hosted *Paper Cuts*, a popular morning TV show from his basement in his bathrobe, where he read and commented on the news.
- Bob was named one of the top and most prolific "Eco-Heroes" of the 20th century by *Time* magazine.
- Bob Hunter Memorial Park opened in 2006 and serves as a tribute to Bob Hunter and his many contributions to the celebration and protection of biodiversity. The park is administered by Parks Canada within Rouge National Urban Park, the first national urban park of its kind in Canada.
- Bob passed away at the age of 63 on May 2, 2005. Bob is survived by his wife, Bobbi, and his children, Will, Emily, Conan and Justine, as well as nine grandchildren.



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