

The Los Angeles Chapter is pleased to announce the opening of its annual scholarship competition. The chapter will award several **scholarships of \$2,500 each** to full-time college students in the Greater Los Angeles Area.

If you are a student, we hope you will take part. We are here to support your studies and career advancement. If you are not a student but know of one, please forward this information. We are grateful for your help in getting out the word.

Background

From its inception in 1981 as our organization's founding chapter, AAJA-LA has been committed to supporting the next generation of journalists. Through the years, the chapter has made the scholarship program the centerpiece of its fundraising efforts.

The program also serves as a way to connect our past and future. In addition to several general awards, the chapter gives two scholarships in memory of early members of our chapter: the **Sam Chu Lin Memorial Scholarship**, given to a promising broadcast student, and the **Peter Imamura Memorial Scholarship**, with preference given to a student who is from the Inland Empire or who demonstrates special financial need.

Eligibility

- Students who are committed to AAJA's mission and demonstrate a strong interest in pursuing journalism as a career.
- Full-time students who are enrolled in colleges and universities in Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside and Ventura counties and taking journalism or related courses and pursuing careers in journalism.
- Membership in AAJA is encouraged for all applicants and required for those selected to receive scholarships. For membership information, go to www.aaja.org.

Applications

Applications will be reviewed by a panel of judges led by Henry Fuhrmann, chapter co-president and assistant managing editor at the Los Angeles Times. All materials may be submitted online at http://aaja-la.org/scholarship-application-form/; they must be received by midnight PST Monday, Jan. 5, 2015.

Recipients must commit to volunteering at a chapter event in the coming year, such as the annual V3 Digital Media Conference on June 27, 2015, or writing two blog posts for the AAJA-LA website.

More information

Please direct your questions to <u>aajalaawards@gmail.com</u> or on Twitter @aajala