

THE 2015 BONNIE WARD SCHOLARSHIP
For San Diego Civic Dance Company Graduating Seniors And Post High School Graduates

I. Purpose of the Fund is:

1. To encourage higher education and promote dance excellence, as always encouraged by Bonnie Ward.
2. To provide scholarship stipends for dance instruction and higher education for San Diego Civic Dance Company members who have demonstrated exemplary interest, attendance, cooperation and dedication to their dance studies.

II. Goals of the Fund are:

1. To reward the fine character and standard as exemplified by Bonnie Ward.
2. To build character derived from being an exemplary San Diego Civic Dance Arts member. Very dramatic changes occur in young people who strive to live up to a standard set for them. It is important to take note of these character traits and give a meaningful award that will attract more of our younger students to aspire to a higher standard of life.
3. To perpetuate the fund.
4. To provide an incentive for students in the San Diego Civic Dance Arts to excel in dance and achieve their full potential and enhance their appreciation of dance.

III. Classifications of Eligibility

1. Graduating High School Seniors and Post High School Graduates** of one year may apply if they meet the following minimum requirements.
 - a) Must be a member of San Diego Civic Dance Company.
 - b) Must have been enrolled in the San Diego Civic Dance Arts for the last three consecutive years.
 - c) Must have maintained a 90% attendance record with minimal to zero tardiness all year round for those years.
 - d) Must have demonstrated interest in the San Diego Civic Dance Arts by having cooperated with instructors, staff, fellow students, and volunteers, as well as having shown a dedication to dance.
 - e) Must have demonstrated Company leadership and mentoring qualities and involvement in the San Diego Civic Dance Arts program over and above the basic contract commitment of San Diego Civic Dance Company.
 - f) Must not have been a Bonnie Ward Scholarship Recipient in the past year.

***Please note: Applicants for the Post High School Graduate Scholarship(s) will be required to attach a certified copy of their grading report from the college or university attended commencing the fall after high school graduation, along with current proof of enrollment and carrying a minimum of nine (9) units with a minimum 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA).*

IV. Application Instructions: ALL APPLICATIONS WILL RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT WITHIN ONE WEEK OF SUBMITTAL. If you do not receive one, please notify sdcdascholarships@gmail.com immediately. We are not responsible for lost emails or mail. All applications MUST be received by the dates noted below. Please allow for enough time to receive in a timely manner.

V.

Please note: San Diego Civic Dance Scholarships are a competitive process. Applications and essays are scored by the interviewing panel and should be complete, with attention to detail in all directions as noted in this application. There are NO exceptions to the application process. You must be available for in person interviews on April 25th, 2015. Applications are accepted during the application period of Oct 1, 2014-Feb 28, 2015. Applications and copies of the rules and requirements will be sent to all SDCDCCompany Seniors and Eligible Post High School Graduates via email in September 2014. They will also be available at Company meetings in December or on our website at www.cividdancearts.org. As San Diego Civic Dance cares for the environment, **preferred method of scholarship application submittal is electronic (via email).**

1. **Email your completed application to: sdcdascholarships@gmail.com**
If you are unable to email your application, you may mail your completed application, (Page 2) and your personal essay to San Diego Civic Dance Association, Attn: Scholarship Committee, 2125 Park Blvd., San Diego, CA 92101. In order to track mailed applications in a timely manner, please email sdcdascholarships@gmail.com ASAP after mailing your application with date mailed.
2. **Applications must be postmarked by Saturday, February 28, 2015. Do not turn your application in to your teacher. Your teacher WILL NOT accept it.**

VI. Application Submission/Interview Requirements: Please review all requirements as applications are reviewed by interviewing panel and scored as part of the scholarship competitive process.

1. **Submit completed application (pages 2-4). (Deadline Feb 28, 2015)**
2. **Submit Personal Essay/Letter to Scholarship Review Board (include with application package).**
In your essay, tell us a little about yourself. Discuss how your involvement with San Diego Civic Dance Arts has impacted your life, your accomplishments in the field of dance, how you have been a leader and a mentor in this program and explain your expectations for the future, including why this scholarship is important to you. Include any involvement with the program that goes above and beyond your basic contractual commitment to Company, Your essay should be typed 12 point type, double spaced and 2-3 pages in length.
3. **Optional Letters of recommendation. You may submit up to (2) letters of recommendation from teachers/mentors from your school, extracurricular activity, or SDCDA.**
4. **Each eligible applicant will be required to be present at an interview, with the date and time set by the Scholarship Committee. You will be notified of your interview time. Interviews will be held on Sat April 25th, 2015 (From approximately 8:30 am to 2pm depending on number of applicants). There will be no exceptions to these dates.**

VII. Awards

Bonnie Ward scholarship awards and amounts are determined yearly based upon total of qualified field of candidates, applications, interviews and recommendations. *If awarded a scholarship, in order to receive payment, each Graduating Senior and/or Post High School Graduate awarded a scholarship must provide the San Diego Civic Dance Association Scholarship Committee with a certified copy of the grading report, received from the college or university attended, commencing in the fall after receiving this scholarship, and showing a minimum student load of nine (9) units with a minimum 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA).*

If you have any questions regarding this application or the requirements, please email the scholarship committee at sdcdascholarships@gmail.com with “Bonnie Ward application question” in the subject line.

2015 BONNIE WARD SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Student's Name	Birthdate	School Grade	Address (if different from Parent/ Guardian)	City	Zip
Parent/Guardian Name	Address			City	Zip
Student Email (needed for notifications)	Parent's/Legal Guardian's Email			Home Phone	Cell

Please list how the years you have participated in the following SDCDArts Activities:

San Diego Civic Dance Company	From _____ To _____
T Troupe	From _____ To _____
San Diego Civic Dance Recreation Center Classes:	From _____ To _____

Please list all San Diego Park and Recreation Department dance classes which you have taken in the **past five years**.

Class Type (jazz, tap modern, company, TT etc)	Location (example: Canyonside, Company, TT)	Instructor	Dates (example: from 2008-2014)

Please list Volunteer activities you have been involved in with the San Diego Civic Dance Arts Program that would be considered **above and beyond your Company commitment**, and include the number of years you have been involved:

Activity (Include TA, Crew for Production, Dance Camp, Workshop assistants etc.) Please note, normal strike/set up duties do NOT need to be listed	Number of Years (Include dates)	Instructor	Description of Activity

Please list any other dance related activities you have participated in within the **past five years OUTSIDE OF** the San Diego Park and Recreation Department Dance Program. Include the number of years you have been involved in that activity.

Activity	Number of Years (Include dates)	Studio or Program	Description of Activity

Please list any other extra-curricular activities, leadership programs, special awards and volunteer service you have participated in within the past five years OUTSIDE OF the San Diego Park and Recreation Department Dance Program. Include the number of years you have been involved in that activity.

Activity/Award	Number of Years (Include dates)	Studio/School /Sports Club	Description of Activity/Award

Please list any scholarships you have received in the past 5 years with San Diego Civic Dance and/or other organizations.

Organization	Award	Year	Total Amount awarded
			\$
			\$
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I, the undersigned, have read and fully understand all the qualifications, requirements and obligations of the Scholarship Program and do hereby agree to abide by them should I be selected as a Scholarship recipient or runner-up. I understand that if I fail to meet any of these requirements, I am subject to disqualification. All of the information I have provided is true and correct. **I further stipulate that I have maintained 90% attendance with minimal to zero tardiness in my San Diego Park and Recreation Department dance classes.**
Please note: Typewritten Electronic Signatures are acceptable for applications and essays submitted by

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

I, the undersigned, as parent/legal guardian of _____ do hereby consent to release the San Diego Civic Dance Association and its agents or representatives from any and all liabilities arising from the application to or administration of the San Diego Civic Dance Association Scholarship Program.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Essays may be shared for viewing in the year after submission. Please check here if you do not wish to have your essay released for viewing.

