

THE 2015 ESTHER FEIER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR SAN DIEGO CIVIC DANCE COMPANY JUNIORS

A. Purpose of the fund is:

1. To be a continual living memorial of Esther Feier, passionate advocate of the arts, equal rights and education, who passed away after a long full life, September 20th, 2014.
2. To support and encourage higher education and facilitate the drive for excellence, a passion of Esther Feier's.
3. To provide scholarship stipends for higher education preparation and exploration for San Diego Civic Dance Company members who have demonstrated exemplary passion, involvement and dedication to their dance and education studies.

B. Goals of the Fund are:

1. To provide the ability to afford further exploration into higher education in all careers.
2. To support the dreams and passions of motivated San Diego Civic Dance Company members.
3. To perpetuate the fund.
4. To provide an incentive for students in the San Diego Civic Dance Arts to explore options not previously available to them in higher education, achieve their full potential and enhance their appreciation of dance.

C. Classifications of Eligibility

1. High School Juniors who are exploring the possibilities of higher education.
2. Must be a member of San Diego Civic Dance Company and enrolled in the San Diego Civic Dance Arts program for the last two consecutive years.
3. Must have committed to continuing with San Diego Civic Dance Company through their Senior Year.
4. Must have demonstrated a passion for arts, San Diego Civic Dance and an interest in pursuing higher education.
5. Must not have been a Esther Feier Memorial Scholarship Recipient in the past year.

D. 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.

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 will be available online on our website at www.cividdancearts.org. or from your dance instructor. As San Diego Civic Dance cares for the environment, preferred method of submittal is electronic (via email). Applications may also be obtained by sending a #10, self-addressed, stamped envelope to the San Diego Civic Dance Association, Attn: Scholarship Committee, 2125 Park Blvd., San Diego, CA 92101

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 ASAP after mailing your application with date mailed.

Applications must be postmarked by Saturday, February 28, 2015. Do not turn your application in to your teacher. Your teacher WILL NOT accept it.

Application Submission/Interview Requirements:

Submit completed application (pages 2-4) (Deadline Feb 28,2015)

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. Discuss what your plans for higher education are and what you would do with the scholarship monies. 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, double spaced and 1-2 pages in length.

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.

Awards

Esther Feier Memorial scholarship awards and amounts are determined yearly based upon total of qualified field of candidates, applications, interviews and recommendations. If awarded, checks will be issued at time of awards.

If you have any questions regarding this application or the requirements, please email the scholarship committee at sdcdascholarships@gmail.com with "Esther Feier application question" in the subject line.

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	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 committed to San Diego Civic Dance Company for my Senior year.**

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.

Student Essay/Letter to Scholarship Review Committee

Name: _____ Date: _____