



Arizona Dressage Association Scholarship

To promote the educational advancement of local dressage riders, Arizona Dressage Association annually sponsors up to one (1) Junior/Young Rider Scholarship, up to one (1) Open Scholarship and up to three (3) Adult Amateur Scholarships. The committee may recommend a different formula for awarding scholarships depending on the number and category of applications received, subject to approval by the ADA Board of Directors. Each Scholarship award will be up to \$500 and will be awarded upon the completion of the recipient's educational activity and responsibilities outlined below.

Application must be completed and delivered by February 1st to Ann Damiano at 4819 E. Sleepy Ranch Road, Cave Creek, AZ 85331-4414, or email adamiano@cox.net. Late applications will NOT be considered.

The ADA Board of Directors will appoint three non-board ADA members to serve on a Scholarship Review Committee. This committee's responsibility is to evaluate each application based on the stated criteria and make a recommendation to the Board of Directors.

CRITERIA:

- Open and Adult Amateur applicants must be an ADA member for a minimum of three (3) years including the current membership year. JR/YR must be a member for a minimum of two (2) years including the current membership year. *Membership must be in good standing.*
- The educational opportunity requested in the application must be a specific activity that the applicant has established that promotes dressage education and dressage principle, and goes beyond regular lessons. *Examples include clinics and training programs offered by recognized and/or certified instructors as well as USDF- and USEF-sponsored programs.*
- Open and Adult Amateur applicants must have *volunteered* their time or expertise in some way that has benefited the ADA membership as a whole. *Examples include volunteer (not paid) service hours (minimum 8 hours suggested) during the current and previous year at ADA Shows or events, service on ADA Board or Committees, providing a host venue for an ADA event, organizing a clinic or fundraising event for JR/YR's, judging, writing Centerline articles, etc.* JR/YR must have active volunteer service (minimum 4 hours suggested) during current and previous year. Written verification of service must be submitted with application and will be strongly considered during selection process.

RECIPIENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES TO RECEIVE AWARD MONIES:

- The educational activity must be completed by December 31st. Centerline articles or future volunteer arrangements must be completed and receipts must be submitted by February 1st of the following year.
- Confirmation of activity and receipts for expenditures to be submitted to the Scholarship Committee Chair and then forwarded to Treasurer for payment.
- By accepting scholarships, recipients must agree to volunteer at a future date their time and/or expertise in some way that will benefit the ADA membership as a whole. Some ways that members give back for their scholarship assistance are writing a Centerline article on their educational experience, serving on ADA Board or Committees, providing a host venue for an ADA event, organizing a clinic or fundraising event for JR/YR's, complimentary judging at an ADA event, etc.

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- Former Scholarship Winners may not apply for three years
 - Scholarship is not transferable to another individual or to a future award year
 - If unforeseen circumstances arise and the educational activity needs to be changed, a request for the change must be submitted to the Scholarship Review Committee.
 - ADA is not responsible for applications not received due to delayed mail, wrong address, etc.



ADA Scholarship Application

DEADLINE - FEBRUARY 1st. Please submit to Ann Damiano at 4819 E. Sleepy Ranch Road, Cave Creek, AZ 85331-4414 or email adamiano@cox.net . Late applications will NOT be considered.

Today's Date _____

Name of applicant _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Fax _____

Email _____

Division: AA _____ Junior _____ Young Rider _____ Open _____

Anticipated Date of Training _____

Location of Training Activity/Instructor's Name (Be Specific)

Training Activity (Describe the event or activity you will be attending)

Provide a brief summary of your Dressage experience

Provide a summary of clinics, symposia and other educational programs you have attended, whether mounted or auditing

Include a paragraph describing the specific educational objectives for this educational program

List volunteer hours and/or service to Arizona Dressage Association for the past 2 years (Be Specific)

Once the training is completed, the scholarship recipient agrees to volunteer at a future date their time and/or expertise in some way that will benefit the ADA membership as a whole. Suggestions include composing an article for publication in the GMO Newsletter, ***The Centerline***, detailing the educational experience, providing a host venue for an ADA event, organizing a clinic or fundraising event for JR/YRs, complimentary judging at an ADA event, etc.