

2017 Mississauga Youth Achievement Awards Application Form

This ceremony recognizes the outstanding achievements of youth across the city of Mississauga.

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1. Applicants must be between the ages of 12 and 24 years old.
- 2. Reside and/or attend school in the City of Mississauga.
- 3. Volunteer with a group/school/organization within the City of Mississauga.
- 4. For group applicants, 90% of members must reside or attend school in Mississauga
- 5. Not be members of the Mississauga Youth Achievement Award Judging Committee, Mississauga Youth Advisory Committee (MYAC) Board of Directors, or a related member.

Categories:

Applicants will be considered for the following awards:

1. Mississauga Young Citizen of the Year (1 recipient)

- a. Presented to an outstanding young person who is devoted to volunteerism and gives back to the local community. This young citizen demonstrates excellent leadership skills, may have overcome adversity, and serves as an ideal role model to others.
- 2. Mayor Bonnie Crombie Youth Leadership Award (1 recipient)
 - a. Presented to one exceptional individual or group of individuals who have successfully undertaken large-scale projects and initiatives. May work or volunteer in a leadership role in a community organization, and serve as an ideal role model to others.

3. Community Citizenship Award (1 group recipient)

a. Presented to a diverse group of young people who have contributed to their communities or neighbourhood in a variety of ways and who serve as ideal role models to others.



b. Corporations and/or community organizations present and sponsor the award. Young people who show outstanding commitment to the community and who celebrate the value of volunteerism are presented with this award.

Judging:

The 2017 Mississauga Youth Achievement Awards Judging Committee consists of a panel that is made up of current MYAC Board of Directors, Members, MYAC Alumni, and Adult Community Leaders. The Judging Committee will assess creativity of submission video, impact of the volunteerism, and personal growth of the individual(s). Please note the number of total hours volunteering does not affect consideration for each award. Once selected finalists will be telephoned and an in-person interview may be scheduled with members of the judging committee. Creativity is highly encouraged for the video submission.

Ceremony:

Mississauga's Youth Action Committee and dignitaries will present the awards at The Annual Youth Achievement Awards, which will be taking place on **Sunday May 7th, 2017**. Further details will be sent to all award recipients.

Application:

When completing the application for the Youth Achievement Awards, keep in mind there are 4 parts to your submission (See below for details of each section). Sections A, B, C and D are to be submitted in the form of a **Word Document or PDF**. All questions from Section F are to be completed in a video submission, no longer than **6 minutes**, with the acceptable format being an **MP4**.

Deadline:

All completed applications must be emailed to <u>myac.miss@gmail.com</u> with the subject of the email being: **"YAA Application – Your First Name and Last Name"** by **May 3, 2017**.



*For group applicants, please select one individual to be your main contact and provide their appropriate information

Section A – Contact Information

First Name: Click here to enter text. Last Name: Click here to enter text. Date of Birth: Click here to enter a date. Email Address: Click here to enter text. Phone Number: Click here to enter text. City: Click here to enter text.

Section B – Additional Information

School: Click here to enter text.

School Address: Click here to enter text.

Grade/Year and Program: Click here to enter text.

Total Amount of Volunteer Hours to Date: Click here to enter text.

Section C – Group Applicants Only

90% of the Group resides and/or goes to a school in Mississauga:

No 🗆

Yes 🗆

Section D – References and Supporting Material

Please provide evidence that you are an outstanding candidate by submitting an original signed reference letter outlining the details of your involvement as a supplement to your application. Please ensure that your reference is someone outside of your friends and family circle.



*Section E is to be completed by groups nominating an individual *Section F is to be completed by self-nominating individuals

Section E – Nominating Candidate

- 1. Please describe how the nominee has demonstrated outstanding leadership within the City.
- 2. Please list significant volunteer/leadership accomplishments that the nominee has been involved in
- 3. Please list which award(s) you are nominating the candidate for and why you think the nominee is deserving to be recognized

Section F – Video Questions

Mississauga Young Citizen of the Year

- 1. What makes you the perfect Candidate?
- 2. What clubs or groups are you actively a member of?
- 3. In what ways have you showed both commitment and dedication when volunteering with the city of Mississauga?
- 4. Being a citizen in Mississauga, how have you bettered the community?
- 5. What goals/aspirations do you have for this city?

Mayor Bonnie Crombie Youth Leadership Award

- 1. In what ways have you demonstrated leadership roles in your community? Provide an example for each explaining the scenario.
- 2. What ways are you willingly able to change the community and make a difference in people's lives?
- 3. What does the word leadership mean to you?
- 4. Explain how your involvement in extra-curricular and experiences has benefited to your leadership skills.
- 5. What characteristics are used to define a good leader? Relate these characteristics to yourself.

Sponsored Community Citizenship Award

- 1. What have you gained from volunteering? How will these skills help you in the future?
- 2. List your top 3 reasons why you love volunteering so much?
- 3. Besides being a volunteer, what makes you unique/different and sets you apart from the other volunteers out there?
- 4. When did you start volunteering? And why did you start volunteering?
- 5. What does the word-volunteering mean to you?