

The Hong Kong Youth Service Award 2014

Dear Students,

HKU students are invited to apply for the Hong Kong Youth Service Award organised by the Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups. The Hong Kong Youth Service Award will honour the five most outstanding young people in Hong Kong every year. Each winner will receive a HK\$20,000 cash prize, a trophy and a certificate. The service experience and commitment to Hong Kong of the five award winners will also be recorded and broadcast through different media. Award winners will be invited to share their experiences through video shorts and other broadcasts, so as to inspire others to serve Hong Kong.

Objectives

The objectives of The Hong Kong Youth Service Award are:

- To go beyond individual achievement and honour those who exemplify the core values of service
- To publicly encourage those individuals to become role models, particularly to their peers, inspiring others to follow in the footsteps of service

Eligibility

- Young people aged 18 to 35 years old, who have a track record of community service

Selection Criteria

- Detailed record of candidates' community and public service, exemplifying the core values of service, which include dedication and commitment to Hong Kong
- Evidence of measurable impact in meeting a community need
- Support indicating candidates' potential leadership skills and competencies, including abilities to be a role model to others

Selection Process

Selected candidates will be invited to attend an Initial Selection on Saturday, 27 September 2014. Short-listed candidates will then be required to attend an interview session with the Selection Panel on Saturday, 11 October 2014. Those who fail to attend the interview session will be considered as having forfeited their right of continued participation.

Programme Schedule

Application Deadline by the Organiser:	Thursday, 28 August 2014
Initial Selection:	Saturday, 27 September 2014
Selection Interview:	Saturday, 11 October 2014
Presentation Ceremony:	Monday, 17 November 2014

Details and Application: <http://ysa.hkfyg.org.hk/en/awards/index.html>

Nomination by CEDARS

Students can apply directly to the organiser with your own nominators. Alternatively, if students would like to be nominated via CEDARS, please send the following materials to cedars-programmes@hku.hk on or before **12 noon, 7 August, 2014 (Thursday)**.

- (1) Your completed application form (downloadable at: <http://ysa.hkfyg.org.hk/en/application/guide.html>),
- (2) Resume
- (3) Media coverage (max size 5MB)
- (4) Reference letters from other nominators (max size 3MB),
- (5) Other supporting documents (max size 3MB)
- (6) Your availability for interview during the period of 11 – 15 August (9 am – 6 pm)
(students who fail to join the interview will not be considered)

In your application materials, please provide and demonstrate:

- Detailed record of community and public service, exemplifying the core values of service, which include dedication and commitment to Hong Kong;
- Detailed track record of consistent and impactful service in the community;
- Evidence of measurable impact in meeting a community need;
- Support indicating candidate's potential leadership skills and competencies, including ability to be a role model to others.

CEDARS might then arrange an interview with the potential candidates to decide if nomination is appropriate.

If you have any enquiries, please feel free to contact the organiser at 2169 0255 or CEDARS 2857 8387 or cedars-programmes@hku.hk.

Thank you.

Best regards,

Centre of Development and Resources for Students (Student Development)