



2019-2020

Youth Ambassadors Information & Application



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Become one of our newest Mission Inn Foundation Youth Ambassadors!

Application Deadline: Friday, May 17, 2019 by 4:00 P.M.

What is a Youth Ambassador?

Youth Ambassadors is a volunteer program for high school students with the **Mission Inn Foundation**, a local nonprofit that preserves and interprets the cultural heritage of the Mission Inn and Riverside. Students attend training summer 2019. During the school year (September 2019 to May 2020), Youth Ambassadors experience and share our great city and the Mission Inn by leading exterior tours, assisting family programs, and participating on the Museum's Community Outreach Team.



Who can apply ?

Students in Riverside County with:

- A drive to succeed
- Entering 10th, 11th, or 12th grade fall 2019
- Access to reliable transportation to and from the Mission Inn Foundation

Applicants must be dependable, positive, have good communication skills, with an interest in working with the public.

How do I become a Youth Ambassador?

Submit your completed application w/ responses by **Friday, May 17, 2019 at 4:00 pm**.

Select applicants will be contacted for an interview by May 24. Interviews will be held **Friday, June 7 and Saturday, June 8** at the Mission Inn Museum. Applicants will be contacted with final selections by June 14.

Applicants selected attend mandatory summer training **July 23-August 2**. Training is Tuesday-Friday mornings, 9:00 am-12:00 pm.

All training classes take place at the Mission Inn. Candidates are required to attend the full training – makeup classes are **not** offered.

What is the time commitment?

Required meetings are held the second Monday of each month September–May from 4:30-6:00pm. A minimum of 2-4 volunteer hours per month is required. Volunteer opportunities are scheduled on weekends and may include:

- 9/11 Day of Service (September)
- First Sundays of each month October–May
- Mission Inn Run: November 9 & 10
- Community Outreach Team booths: Turkey Trot (November), Black History Month Expo (February), Tamale Festival (April), and others

What do I get?

We are grateful for your time and talent. We provide the following benefits:

- Leadership and 21st-century skills development; career exploration
- Making friends with fellow students who love Riverside
- Holiday and end-of-year appreciation events
- Youth Ambassador polo shirt

All training, supplies, activities, appreciation events, etc. are provided at no charge.

Questions? Contact Kanani Hoopai at hoopai@missioninnmuseum.org

Youth Ambassadors began in 2013 with the generous support of the Institute of Museum and Library Services

Are You Ready to Apply?

Please complete the two-sided application and supplemental questions. All fields required.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

School Name: _____ Grade fall 2019 (circle one): **10th 11th 12th**

Do you prefer to be contacted by email or phone?: _____

Parent or Guardian's Name: _____

Parent or Guardian's Phone #: _____ and Email: _____

Please list two teachers we may contact for a recommendation:

Name: _____

Phone #: _____ and Email: _____

Name: _____

Phone #: _____ and Email: _____

I joined this program because it's a great way to help the young community of Riverside learn the history of our city. It's always good to know more about your hometown!

- Victoria F., Youth Ambassador

What made orientation meaningful and effective for me was meeting new people. I think that has helped me get through the program with ease. - Steven G., Youth Ambassador

Submit completed applications by email, mail, or in person to:

Mission Inn Foundation & Museum
3696 Main Street
Riverside, CA 92501

hoopai@missioninnmuseum.org

Questions? Call 951-781-8241 | Museum open daily 9:30am-4:30pm

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Tell Us More About You!

On a separate sheet, please answer all of the following questions and include with your application. There is no required length for your answers, but please be specific. We want to know more about you and what makes you unique.

1. Why do you want to be a Youth Ambassador? What do you hope to gain from the program?
2. What makes Riverside important or unique, in your opinion? Why? What do you love about Riverside and/or the Mission Inn? Why?
3. What are your hobbies and interests? What school programs, clubs, or sports are you involved in?
4. What characteristics/abilities do you have that will make you a great Youth Ambassador?
5. Can you commit to attending required summer training July 23-August 2, 2019 on Tuesday-Friday mornings from 9:00am-12:00pm?
6. From September 2019 through May 2020, can you commit to attending the monthly meetings and volunteering 2-4 hours per month, as outlined on pg. 2? What other commitments (clubs, sports, jobs, etc.) might impact your availability?

By signing below, I certify my answers are my own. I understand the commitment required to participate in the Mission Inn Foundation's Youth Ambassador Program. I agree, if accepted, to attend all summer training classes, attend monthly meetings, and actively participate in volunteer opportunities.

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____

By signing below, I understand the commitment required for my student's participation in the Mission Inn Foundation's Youth Ambassador Program. I agree, if my student is accepted, to ensure his/her attendance at all summer training classes, monthly meetings, and volunteer opportunities.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

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