



JAPANESE AMERICAN VETERANS ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – 2017

BACKGROUND: The Japanese American Veterans Association ([JAVA](#)) began offering scholarships in 2008. Currently [JAVA](#) is offering ten scholarships for 2017 through its Memorial Scholarship Program (MSP).

The scholarships fall into three categories:

- The United States Senator Daniel K. Inouye Memorial Scholarship (one award of \$5,000)
- The Founder's Scholarship (one award of \$3,000) in the name of Sunao "Phil," Ishio, the Founder, his wife Constance, and Douglas Ishio, their son.
- JAVA Memorial Scholarships (eight awards planned of \$1,500 each). For 2017, the scholarships are in the names of:
 - CW04 Mitsugi Kasai
 - Teru and Victor Matsui
 - Bob Nakamoto
 - Calvin Ninomiya
 - Kuwase Senaha
 - Betty Shima
 - Orville Shirey
 - Kyoko Tsuboi Taubkin

POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND RULES

JAVA Board of Directors provides general directions and administers the MSP with management of the program through the JAVA Memorial Scholarship Committee.

JAVA will announce the recipients of the MSP awards at the JAVA quarterly luncheon in June 2017.

JAVA, through press releases and JAVA's Round Robin e-mail network, will announce the starting date for each year's scholarship program. Application forms, as well as these rules, will be available on the [JAVA website](https://java.wildapricot.org), (<https://java.wildapricot.org>).

The closing date for receipt of applications shall be set forth in the [JAVA website](https://java.wildapricot.org), (<https://java.wildapricot.org>) and the *Round Robin*. For 2017, the closing date is: **April 14, 2017.**

JAVA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The JAVA Memorial Scholarship Committee is responsible for receiving, reviewing, and judging the applications. The Committee, comprised of no less than three members, will have approximately three weeks for its deliberations. The Scholarship Committee chair or a designated representative shall identify the awardees to the JAVA Board of Directors at a meeting scheduled for May 2017. The selections made by the Scholarship Committee shall be deemed confirmed unless there is a written response from the majority of the Board within three days after notification that one or more of the recommendations should not be accepted.

ELIGIBILITY FOR AWARDS

There are different eligibility criteria for each of the three categories of JAVA Memorial Scholarships. Please find the specific criteria on the separate application forms for each category of scholarship.

In establishing the eligibility requirements, JAVA has taken into account the known wishes of the families of the persons in whose names the funds were created, or gifts received. In addition, no person related directly, or by ancestry, i.e., by blood or marriage, to members of the Scholarship Committee or of the JAVA Board of Directors shall be eligible for an award under the MSP.

The separate application forms for each category of scholarship lists the documentation required to judge applicants. Persons applying for a MSP award should use the official application form that is available on the [JAVA website](https://java.wildapricot.org), (<https://java.wildapricot.org>).

The deadline for the submission of applications must be carefully observed. Particular note must be taken of the fact that all applications must be received on the form by the deadline date in order that they can be timely considered. All applications must be complete and received by the deadline to be considered. Applications and supplemental information or materials received after the closing date will not be considered.

The primary and therefore the preferred method of submission of application is by email to: javapotomac@gmail.com

The secondary method of submission by mail to:

JAVA Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 341198
Bethesda, MD 20827

Determinations as to whom the scholarships are awarded will be based solely on the application, the supporting documentation, and the essay. No personal interviews will be required. Letters of recommendation and records of extra-curricular activities may be submitted at the discretion of the applicant.

It will not be possible to receive applications via facsimile or e-mail. Applicants may wish to make use of expedited delivery services. No applications, including supporting materials, will be returned.

The submission of an application shall be deemed to have given consent by the applicant to have his or her names, photos, essays, etc., used in connection with JAVA's scholarship program.

The scholarship award may be paid for the awardee's account direct to the treasurer or bursar of the institution where the applicant will be attending, or to such other office, as specified in the application.

No distinction shall be made as to the source from which the scholarship came, but the awards will be identified by the name of the person for which the scholarship is named.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

The Board of Directors reserves the right, where exceptional circumstances warrant, to withhold the making of one or more scholarship awards in a given year, or to award more than the number of scholarships offered in any year. If the balance in a particular memorial fund should fall below the award level, the Board of Directors shall combine it with a kindred fund or funds until the combined JAVA Memorial Scholarship Fund has been totally expended.

FUTURE OF MSP

Additional donations to any of the funds established under the JAVA Memorial Scholarship Program are welcomed. Donors may also request that similar memorial funds be established in the future.