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## October 2022 Message from WAI

### It's the Countdown for WAI2023 Scholarships!

WAI members, as of today, October 1, are invited to apply for up to three scholarships by the Tuesday, October 12, 2022 deadline.

There are more than 100 scholarships valued at over \$680,000 in awards for a variety of interests including aerospace engineering, aviation maintenance and manufacturing, scheduling and dispatching, flight training, and higher education.

Detailed scholarship descriptions and requirements for applications are available [online here](#). Scholarships change lives, make applying your priority this year!



*American Airlines representatives awarded Maesha Johnson (L) and Karina Passi (R) the 2022 American Airlines Veterans Initiative Scholarship at WAI2022 in Nashville.*

[Learn the 10 tips](#) to submit a winning application for WAI2023 scholarships.

How To Apply

## Review WAI2023 Scholarship Listings

### WAI's 8th Girls in Aviation Day Reaches Over 16,000 Participants

Around the world, WAI chapters and corporate members connected with thousands of girls, ages 8-17, during more than **120 events** in **19 countries** including Africa, Argentina, Brazil, Cameroon, Canada, Colombia, Israel, Japan, Kenya, Kuwait, Mexico, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Sweden, United States.



GIAD event hosts, please be sure that:

- you submit your demographic data on your #GIAD22 attendees by October 10, 2022, to help us understand the makeup of GIAD attendees worldwide. Use the GIAD Attendee List on the [GIAD Resources page](#).
- you [submit your favorite photos and videos](#) by October 28, 2022.

Share your #GIAD22 photos on social media, and thank you for inspiring #AviationforGirls and the #FutureofAviation at #GirlsInAviationDay!



Send your Girls in Aviation Day 2022 photos to WAI by October 28, 2022!

Thank you to our generous 2022 Girls in Aviation Day 2022 Partners!  
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# WAI WELCOMES NEW JUNIOR MEMBERS!

- Are you 18 years old or younger?
- Do you love aviation and STEM?
- Do you want to learn more about living your aviation passion?
- Are you interested in finding out more about scholarships in aviation?

**We have a free WAI membership for you!**

Join for free here and learn about all the resources and benefits at [WAI.org/membership-information](http://WAI.org/membership-information)



## Download the free Aviation for Girls App.



Available year-round with hours of new content including:

- Three age-appropriate content tracks for elementary, middle school, and high school students
- Meet positive female role models
- Instructional activity videos
- Scholarship information
- Education resources
- Expanded *Aviation for Girls* magazine



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## Calling All WAI Junior Members!

Dress up in an aviation or aerospace-related costume for Halloween this month and win a spooky WAI swag bag. All the rules on how to enter are detailed on the [Aviation for Girls App](#). Submissions are due [via email](#) by October 31, 2022 at 11:59 p.m. EST. You must be a registered junior member, ages 18 years and younger and a registered user on the AFG App. Don't forget, junior membership is FREE! Let's see you get creative, and some ideas to help you get started are included on the app.

## Don't Miss All The Fun At WAI2023!

During our annual three-day gathering, learn about a wide variety of interesting topics by attending education sessions, personal and professional development seminars, as well as training and education workshops. All will be will be scheduled during the 34th Annual Women in Aviation International Conference, February 23-25, 2023, in Long Beach, California.

Choose from 7 topics includes careers, history, flying, innovation, maintenance/tech ops, military, and personal development. Check here for upcoming session details.

[Room blocks](#) are now available for booking your WAI2023 conference hotel rooms at a variety of nearby locations to the Long Beach Convention and Entertainment Center. Take advantage of special conference pricing. Discounted rates may sell out. Attendees are encourage to book early and save. Visit [WAI.org/2023-conference-hotels](#) for all the details.



Visit [WAI.org/2023-conference-fees](#) for information on conference registration.

Exhibit Information



## Sponsorship Opportunities



### Chapter News

We're all better together. Every month through 2022, the officers and leaders for all the WAI chapters across the network are invited to participate in a monthly webinar focusing on topics to help us manage and grow our chapters, as well as to serve our chapter members. Watch the Chapter Leader Facebook page, the WAI Connect newsletter, and the [WAI Chapter Resources page](#) for registration links monthly.

**PLEASE REGISTER FOR THIS MONTH'S CHAPTER LEADERSHIP CONNECT!**

**October 14, 2022 - (1 p.m. EST)**

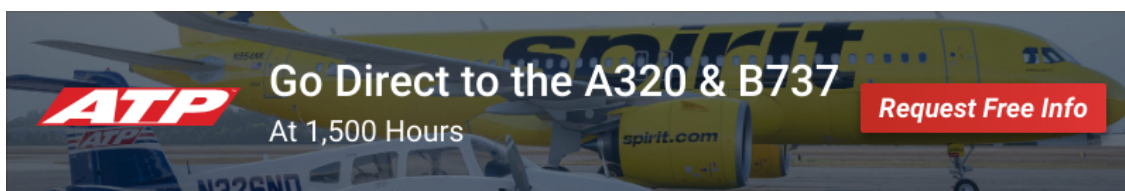
**Topic:** Establishing Chapter Officer Positions for Success & Running Smooth Chapter Elections

[Register here.](#)

Thinking about starting a WAI Chapter? Have questions about WAI Chapters? [Email Jessi Rowden](#), WAI's new manager of chapter relations!



*Learn how to establish chapter officer positions and run a smooth chapter election during this month's WAI Chapter Leadership Connect. [Register](#) for this October 14 webinar and learn more.*



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## Upcoming Events

The calendar of events is a source of information about industry/organization events. Events marked with \* are WAI events that we sponsor, exhibit, or partner.

Interested in volunteering to help at events where WAI is participating? [Email Rorie Ainbinder, Chapter Relations Specialist](mailto:Rorie.Ainbinder@wai.org), to sign up.

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\*October 18-20 - NBAA-BACE, Orlando, Florida, [www.NBAA.org](http://www.NBAA.org)

November 1-3 - NGPA Aviation Inclusion Summit, ALPA Headquarters, McLean, Virginia, [www.NGPA.org](http://www.NGPA.org)

November 17-18 - AOPA Aviator Showcase, Fort Worth Alliance Airport (KAFW), Fort Worth, Texas, [www.AOPA.org](http://www.AOPA.org)

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January 24-26 - Schedulers & Dispatchers Conference, Music City Center, Nashville, Tennessee, [www.NBAA.org](http://www.NBAA.org)

February 9-12 - NGPA Winter Warm-Up, Renaissance Palm Springs Hotel, Palm Springs, California, [www.NGPA.org](http://www.NGPA.org)

February 23-25 - 34th Annual Women in Aviation International Conference, Long Beach, California, [www.WAI.org/2023-conference](http://www.WAI.org/2023-conference)

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## Member Benefits

[WAI members](#) seek to inspire and stand for encouragement, continued education, and a whole lot of fun! We invite you to take advantage of exclusive discount programs, including many diverse benefits, available to our valued members.

### Exclusive Discount Programs for Members

- **Avemco:** 5% discount on insurance
- **Aviation Medicine Advisory Service:** 5% discount on standard case fees
- **Enterprise and National Rental-A-Car:** special discount rates with promotion code
- **General Aviation News subscription:** free sample issues and 50% off subscription
- **King Schools:** free package of 5 King courses focused on Risk Management and 20% discount on all King Schools course
- **MedJetAssist:** reduced annual and multi-year rates
- **SmithAmundsen:** free 30-minute consultation on legal services
- **Travelpro®:** exclusive 20% discount on all products

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*"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples."  
-Mother Teresa*

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