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Submit Your WAI2025 Scholarship Applications!

One of the major benefits of WAI membership is the opportunity to apply for scholarships—all providing support for training and education in many aviation interests.

You must be an active WAI member by **TODAY**— October 1— to be eligible to apply. Check your membership status [here](#).

Scholarship applications are due **October 11, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. EST.**

Winners will be celebrated during the 36th Annual Women in Aviation International Conference in Denver, Colorado, at a [Scholarship Recognition Breakfast on Friday, March 28, 2025](#).

For more information, contact [Cambria Bilinski](#), WAI professional development education coordinator, cbilinski@wai.org.



WAI members can apply for up to three scholarships every year.

[Review the WAI2025 Scholarships](#)

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Girls in Aviation Day Celebrates 10th Anniversary!

More than 100 Girls in Aviation Day events were held around the world on September 21, 2024, to help spark an interest in aviation/aerospace for girls. Thank you to our WAI chapters and corporate members for hosting fun and educational events at

airports, FBOs, hangars, and museums. Additional events are scheduled for this month and early November.

[Find a list of additional GIAD events here.](#)

Please submit [your favorite photos](#) and [attendee reports](#) to be included in the celebratory wrap-up features by October 15, 2024.

This year 190 Girls in Aviation Day events will be held across 42 U.S. states, 2 U.S. territories, and 57 international locations reaching 33 countries throughout North America, Europe, Africa, and Asia. More than 30,000 attendees will be introduced to the career and lifestyle possibilities in aviation and aerospace through meeting female role models, career panels, exploring airplanes and airports, and a host of hands-on fun and educational activities. These learning experiences will range from sectional chart scavenger hunts, making a tailwheel airplane, learning about aircraft engines and avionics with maintenance technicians, and more!

If you have not hosted a GIAD and would like to get involved email GIAD@wai.org for information. WAI staff is here to support you to inspire the future of aviation together.



WAI chapters and corporate members celebrated the 10th Annual Girls in Aviation Day on September 21, 2024, around the world.

[Watch our GIAD2024 Highlights on Instagram](#)

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It's Time to Register for #WAI2025

The 36th Annual Women in Aviation International Conference will take place March 27-29, 2025, in Denver, Colorado!

As a valued WAI member, we are eager to share some of the exciting changes and improvements for next year's #WAI2025 three-day gathering.

Check out our new conference website at WAI.org/2025-conference to review the schedule to help you in your planning.



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NAA Honors WAI Founder Peggy Chabrian

With nearly 30 past and present WAI staff, board members, and industry colleagues cheering her on, Dr. Peggy Chabrian was enshrined into the National Aviation Hall of Fame during an evening presentation at the U.S. Air Force Museum in Dayton, Ohio, on September 14.

Recognized for her stewardship in blazing a trail to make aviation opportunities more accessible for women, Peggy shared how her vision to organize the women in aviation conference in 1990 eventually led her to establish a nonprofit organization in 1994.

You can read Peggy's 3-Part WAI History series at www.WAI.org/history. Peggy retired from WAI in 2019 but continues to share her love of women in aviation and inspire the next female generation of aviators in all kinds of career interests.

[Watch Peggy's NAHF enshrinement video](#)



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WAI2025 Conference Sponsorships Are Now Available!

The 2025 Women in Aviation International Conference will feature even more opportunities to

network among the 5,000+ attendees. Our sponsors are a big part of the success of our annual conference, and we have some new and exciting options for our sponsors to elevate their brand at the WAI2025 conference. We invite sponsors to learn more about how your company can be a part of this energizing aviation gathering. For more information, please email sponsorship@wai.org.

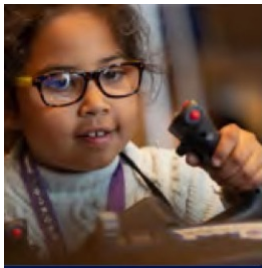


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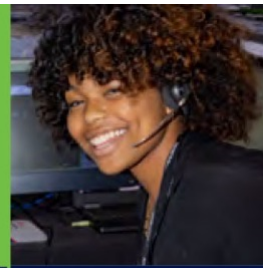
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Exclusive Discount Programs for Members

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- **build** a diverse and inclusive industry
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Upcoming Events

The calendar of events is a source of information about industry/organization events.

2024

October 11 - WAI2025 Scholarship Applications Deadline. www.WAI.org/scholarships

October 22-24 - NBAA/BACE, Las Vegas, Nevada. www.NBAA.org

November 8- [18th Annual Aviation Education & Career Expo](#), Rider Jet Center, Hagerstown Regional Airport, Hagerstown, Maryland.

November 13-15 - NGPA's 2024 Aviation Inclusion Summit, Washington, D.C. www.NGPA.org

November 17-19 - [10th Anniversary AOPA Aviation STEM Symposium](#), Hyatt Regency Atlanta, Atlanta, Georgia.

2025

March 27-29 - 36th Annual Women in Aviation International Conference, Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center, Denver, Colorado, www.WAI.org/2025-conference

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