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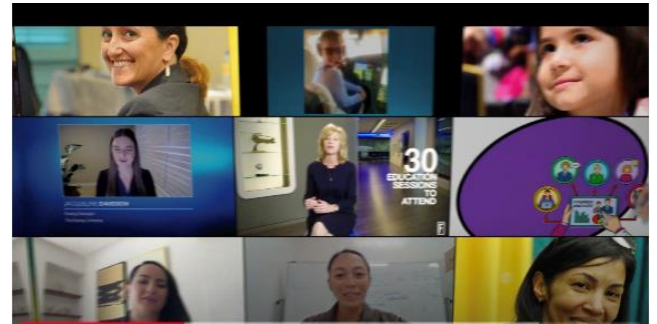
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WAI Concludes Successful First Virtual Conference!

The [32nd Annual International Women in Aviation Conference](#) accomplished its goal to Connect. Engage. Inspire. during WAI's first virtual conference on March 11-12 with all content available to registered attendees through March 31, 2021.

Highlights include: total attendance of more than 2,300 from around the world; exhibit hall with 105 companies and organizations; 101 scholarships distributed to members for a total of \$475,805 in awards; Girls in Aviation Day Reno on Saturday, March 13, where over 1,800 registrants from 16 countries were introduced to the possibilities of an aviation career, and more!



[Watch the WAI2021 opening video.](#)



[Watch the WAI2021 Scholarship Winners video.](#)



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SUN 'n FUN Offers Promo Code to WAI Members

Heading to Lakeland, Florida, this month for the [47th Annual SUN 'n FUN Aerospace Expo](#)? WAI members can use this promotional code: **WIA281** for discounted admission tickets to the April 13-18 event.

You may be required to show proof of your WAI membership when redeeming an online ticket or purchasing onsite at the ticket window. If you purchased an online 2020 SUN 'n FUN Aerospace admission and have not requested a refund, your ticket will be valid for entry into the 2021 Expo.



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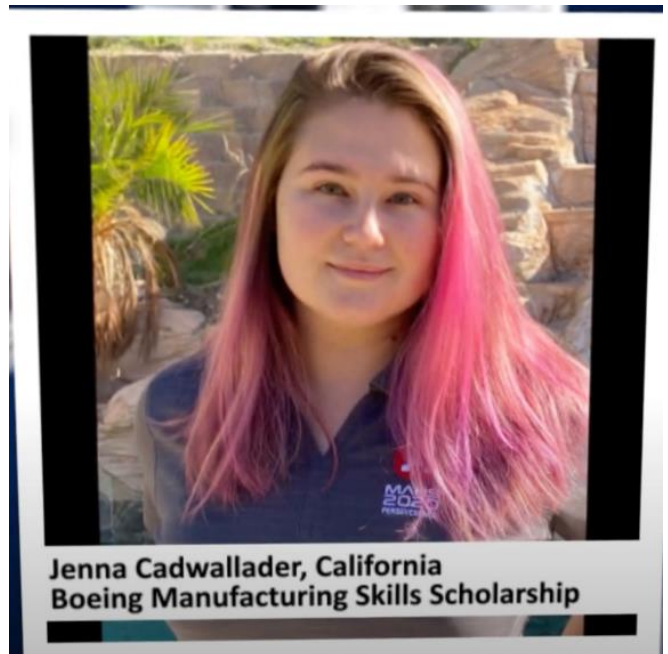
Spring 2021 WAI Scholarships Open to All WAI Members!

Thanks to a \$250,000 grant from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, [new Spring 2021 scholarships](#) are being offered in a variety of aviation/aerospace career pursuits.

All active WAI members are encouraged to apply for these additional scholarships, even if you were awarded a WAI2021 scholarship.

Members can view details of each scholarship, application requirements, FAQs, plus tips for submitting a winning application at wai.org/scholarships.

Applications for the Spring 2021 scholarships are due May 18, 2021. Winners will be notified by July 1, 2021, with funds disbursed by August 1, 2021.



Scholarships are a major benefit of WAI membership and can change your life.

With the additional 48 Spring 2021 Scholarships, total WAI scholarships awarded this year are valued at \$736,805, and nearly \$14.1 million since 1995.



Tiffany F. Green, North Carolina
Beyond and Above Corporate Flight Attendant Training

Chapter News

It's time for all official WAI chapters to submit an annual report by the April 30, 2021 deadline, as well as paying the \$135 annual administrative fee.

[Access the annual report paperwork here.](#)

[Pay your chapter's annual administrative fee here.](#)

[Learn how to start a WAI chapter.](#)

We're here to help! WAI offers lots of [resources](#) to guide WAI chapter leaders and members with how to build a compelling and interesting program for your chapter. [Find some tips for organizing a fantastic annual program here.](#)

[Contact the WAI Chapter Team](#) for more information or to answer your questions.



The WAI chapter network continues to grow with 148 global chapters in 22 countries worldwide.



[Find a Chapter Near You](#)

2022 Pioneer Hall of Fame Nominations Opens Today

Do you know an individual who has helped other women be successful in aviation or opened doors of opportunity for other women? WAI solicits nominations from members of women throughout the aviation/aerospace industry for induction into the [WAI Pioneer Hall of Fame](#).

Submit your potential candidate for the 2022 Pioneer Hall of Fame induction celebration by the August 1, 2021 deadline to [Hope Moore](#) using [this online form](#).

Since 1992, WAI has honored hundreds of women who have made significant contributions to our industry as record setters, trailblazers, or innovators.



This year's Pioneer Hall of Fame inductees were honored virtually by Allison McKay, WAI CEO. One of the three 2021 PHOF inductees, Joan Robinson-Berry, made her acceptance remarks from her home.



[2022 Pioneer Hall of Fame Nomination Form](#)

A banner for the Airline Career Pilot Program. The text reads "Airline Career Pilot Program" in large white letters, followed by "Get the Competitive Edge & Access More Opportunities with Advanced Qualifications" in smaller white text. On the right, there is a red and white "ATP" logo and a red button that says "Request Info". The background shows a cockpit with various instruments and screens.

Share Your Skills!

WAI members and friends further their dreams and goals by attending a variety of [education sessions](#) at the annual conference. Share your knowledge and talents at next year's annual conference in Nashville, Tennessee, March 17-19, 2022. Topics include: Career, Flying, History, Innovation, Maintenance/Tech Ops, Military, and Personal Development.

Complete the [Education Session Submission Form](#), attach an outline of your presentation and three learning objectives, and submit by July 1, 2021, to presenters@wai.org.



Dozens of [education sessions](#) are presented at the annual WAI conference to help attendees follow their interests.

[Education Session Submission Form for WAI2022](#)

Industry News

WAI members and friends are invited to attend a free webinar "Women Defying Gravity: A Space Industry Women's Networking Opportunity" on April 8 at 3 p.m. EDT, sponsored by the International Space Station (ISS) U.S. National Laboratory.

A first in a series of Women Defying Gravity discussions, Dr. Ellen Stofan, Under Secretary for Science and Research at the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum, will be the first guest speaker on April 8.

[Register here for this GoToWebinar event.](#)



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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 Outreach Director Molly Martin to sign up.

2021

April 13-18 - Sun 'n Fun, Lakeland, Florida www.FlySNF.org

July 28 - WAI Connect Breakfast at EAA AirVenture, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, during EAA AirVenture Oshkosh July 26-August 1 www.EAA.org

September 25 - 7th Annual International Girls in Aviation Day www.WAI.org/giad

2022

March 17-19 - 33rd Annual International Women in Aviation Conference, Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center, Nashville, Tennessee www.WAI.org/22conference

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 **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

Flying magazine subscription: annual \$8.00 rate for new subscribers

General Aviation News subscription: free sample issues and 50% off subscription

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MedJetAssist: reduced annual and multi-year rates

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Travelpro®: exclusive 20% discount on all products

"I do hope there are other wonderful planets living and thriving out there, but ours is special because it is ours and ours to take care of. We really can't take that too lightly."

-Sunita Williams, NASA Astronaut



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