

KEY STEPS:

- ① Select a qualified Candidate
- ② Return your referral letter and the Leadership Nomination Form by **February 25th, 2021**

YOU CAN MAIL, FAX, OR EMAIL YOUR FORM TO:

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Fill out online at: thehistorictrust.org/marshall-awards

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MARSHALL LEADERSHIP AWARDS

2021 YOUTH NOMINATION PACKET



HONORING GENERAL GEORGE C. MARSHALL

Marshall was only sixteen years old when he arrived at VMI the fall of 1897. He had committed himself to doing well but now he had a challenge ahead of him. Unlike other schools, VMI offered cadets two ways to succeed: by academic excellence or as soldiers-in-training. Marshall desperately wanted respect, but knew he wasn't as well prepared as other students. Succeeding in the classroom would present the challenge, so focusing his efforts on being a great military cadet seemed his best window of opportunity. By the end of his first year, Marshall had become the top military student in his class. By his fourth year, Marshall was First Captain, the highest ranking cadet on campus. He graduated 15th of 32 in the class and received a diploma in civil engineering.



SELECTION PROCESS

KEY DATES FOR THE NOMINATOR:

JANUARY 1ST: Nominations OPEN

FEBRUARY 25TH: Nomination DEADLINE | All nominations must be received by The Historic Trust by 5pm on February 25, 2021.

KEY DATES FOR THE CANDIDATE:

MARCH 25TH: Nominee Packet DEADLINE | All candidates must submit the "Candidate Form" no later than 5pm on February 25, 2021.

APRIL 21ST 2021 - Finalist Interviews

Finalists are required to attend a personal interview with the selection committee on April 21st between 3pm and 7pm. These interviews are approximately 1 hour in length. Each nominee will receive a scheduled time to attend. Interviews will be conducted online.

APRIL 27TH, 2021:

Marshall Adult & Youth Leadership Award Ceremony | Featuring all 2021 finalists and a keynote Speaker for an evening dinner event. This will be a virtual event.

MARSHALL LEADERSHIP AWARDS

The Marshall Youth Leadership Award was established in 2000 to be presented to a high school senior who demonstrates leadership, takes a stand for the rights of others, serves as a role model, shows initiative and motivates others to become involved. The Marshall Leadership Awards were created to commemorate General Marshall's two-year residence in Vancouver and to honor the legacy of this world statesman.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The nominee must be a 12th grade high school student living in Clark County (home schooled students are eligible). The nominees' activities and projects must advance the work and philosophy of General George C. Marshall by:

- Demonstrating leadership
- Taking a stand for the rights of others
- Serving as a role model
- Showing initiative
- Motivating others to become involved

BENEFITS

- \$2,500 Aléna K. Jarvis* Youth Scholarship
- \$500 Steve Dearborn Memorial** Summer Internship working in the Celebrate Freedom office (optional)
- \$500 Scholarship to educational institution of their choice. Scholarship provided by the Klinge-Meyer Family Fund.
- Recognition at the annual Marshall Awards Ceremony, April 27, 2021
- General Marshall Youth Leadership Plaque

*Aléna Jarvis was the 2016 recipient of the General George C. Marshall Youth Leadership Award. Aléna was a scholar athlete at Battle Ground High School and team captain of the girls basketball team. She was an NHS member, All-State band member, member of the American Legion Auxillary, and Cadet Commander of the US Air Force Junior ROTC.

**The Memorial Summer Internship was established to honor the late Steve Dearborn; 1991 recipient of the General George C. Marshall Public Leadership Award. He passed away in May, 2002. Steve believed that General Marshall's career was the finest example of public service in the last century and that his leadership should be an inspiration to young people.

Top finalists in the Marshall Youth Leadership Awards will receive a \$500 Scholarship to the educational institution of their choice. Scholarship provided by the Klinge-Meyer Family Fund.

EXPECTATIONS

Attend and participate in as many Celebrate Freedom events as your academic schedule will allow, such as:

- The Marshall Lecture
- Independence Day at Fort Vancouver
- Veterans Parade at Fort Vancouver
- The Marshall Youth Selection Committee
- Demonstrate an ongoing commitment to leadership in your community

NOMINATION PROCESS

If you know an individual who has been involved in his or her community through a project or activities that embody the above-mentioned criteria, please:

1. Complete the attached nomination form (or complete it online)
2. Have the student complete the attached Nominee Form
3. The Nomination Form is due on February 25th, and the youth Nominee Form is due on March 25th.