



TeamUP Volunteer & Partnership Council

Connecting Community to Schools

2021-2022 Teeja Service Through the Arts Award

The Teeja Service Through the Arts Award was established and is funded by Stage Door Studios in memory of one of its younger dancers to encourage community service involvement through the Arts. This award is given to a 12th grader (senior) enrolled in a Sarasota County public high school who has seen a need in the community and through volunteer activities and/or an original project has used service through the arts to meet the identified need. The TeamUP Volunteer & Partnership Council Awards Committee selects one winner. The \$1,000 award will be presented in April 2022.

Using PDF or Word format, please include **all** information/items listed below in your application with the name of the award clearly identified as the title. Please contact us at TeamUPVPCouncil@gmail.com if you have any questions or need assistance.

1. General Information

- Applicant's Name
- Address including zip code
- Telephone Number(s) *Please indicate whether home or cell*
- Email
- School where you are a senior
- Plans for post-secondary education/career

2. Description

In the description, please identify in the title the section for which you are applying: Original Community Service Project or Range of Community Service and/or School Service Activities in the Arts.

(a) Original Community Service Project

If applying for this section, please provide a one to two-page essay using 12-point font describing an original volunteer or community service project/program you have created or helped create through the arts. Please include the following details:

- Overview of your project
- Levels of your involvement with this project from beginning to end
- Impact on the community
- Community ties developed because of your service
- Vision of how your project might continue
- Leadership experiences because of your service

(b) Range of Community Service and/or School Service Activities in the Arts

If applying for this section, please provide a one to two-page essay using 12-point font describing the range of your community service and/or school service activities in the arts. (These activities must go over/beyond regular school activities). Please include the following details:

- Levels of your involvement with the activities from beginning to end
- Impact your service in the arts has had on the community
- Growth in ongoing commitment to volunteerism in the community in relation to current service
- Community ties developed because of your service
- Impact on your life
- Leadership experiences because of your service

3. Letter of Recommendation

A letter of recommendation from an adult (other than a relative) who has or has had direct involvement with you and your community service must be included. The recommendation should describe those connections and the service outcome(s). Please include the reference's name, address and phone.

Submission Information

- Application must be submitted electronically by **February 1, 2022 by 12:00 midnight**.
- For consideration of the award, applications must include all items listed. Please provide only the information requested but no additional materials such as photos, transcripts, newspaper articles, etc.
- Electronic application submissions are accepted in PDF or Word format as attachments emailed to TeamUPVPCouncil@gmail.com.