

DVL SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

THE DVL HONOREES

The DVL Honorees are represented by nearly two hundred men and women recognized in the High Desert region since 2009 for their professional achievements and their service to their communities. Their inspirational achievements span the visual and performing arts, not-for-profit leadership, entrepreneurship, medicine, law, education, military service, and both business and public service agency leadership.

Because the DVL Honorees as a group are committed to "...paying it forward..." they funded this award to encourage outstanding students who have demonstrated their achievements in the classroom or in public service to further their achievements. Like the DVL Honorees themselves, student applicants from a broad range of disciplines, community service activities, and representing many creative and academic talents will be given consideration by the Selection Committee.

Students who have inventions, artwork, or audio recordings of their creative works or perhaps examples of their publications are invited to submit photos or copies of them along with their applications for consideration by the Selection Committee.

DVL LEGACY MS. LEONA GRINER

For this Griner Legacy Scholarship, student applicants will demonstrate talent in the visual arts including sculpture, painting and drawing and a strong interest in the cultural environment of the High Desert. Because Ms. Griner loved the native plants of the desert and often created art from "found objects," student art work which includes native plants, rocks and wood of the High Desert, as well as metals, glass and wires will be of special interest to the Selection Committee.

While much of the artwork created by Ms Griner is in the hands of private collectors or has been lost, applicants can find similar inspiration in the works of such artists as Betye Saar, Noah Purifoy (see especially the "Noah Purifoy Outdoor Desert Art Museum" in Joshua Tree, California), John Outterbridge, Marcel Duchamp, and Jasper Johns, as notable examples of "found" or "assemblage" art.

DVL LEGACY DR. GERARD BROWN

For this Brown Legacy Scholarship, student applicants will demonstrate achievement or serious interests in medicine or dentistry or in the fields of allied health sciences, including [as examples] nursing, public health, medical social work or community mental health. Of special interest to the Selection Committee will be those students who have had continuous enrollment and successful completion of courses in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

DVL LEGACY ANNA SUGI

Please note: The **Anna Sugi Legacy Scholarship Award for Young Women** is open to female students only who meet all eligibility requirements for the DVL Legacy Scholarship Awards. All other DVL Legacy Scholarship Awards are open to both male and female students.

For this Legacy Scholarship, female student applicants will demonstrate a continuous commitment to service in community organizations—not-for-profit secular or religious affiliate—that benefit women and girls through advocacy, education, or healthcare services.

Because Ms. Sugi's *Today's Woman Foundation* grew from her advocacy for women, applicants whose current extracurricular activities, academic studies and future education and career plans lead logically to the improvement of the status of women will be of special interest to the Selection Committee.

DVL LEGACY BISHOP NATHANIEL RUFFIN

For this Legacy Scholarship, student applicants will demonstrate a continuing commitment to serving in educational institutions or not-for-profit organizations—secular or religious—whose mission and vision encompass helping others to reach their full potential as human beings.

Because it was important to Bishop Ruffin to take time to talk to and work with those who needed to hear an empathetic voice or who needed help with personal or professional challenges, those students who exemplify continuous service to marginalized people or groups, or those who have participated in efforts to promote tolerance and understanding among diverse peoples will be of special interest to the Selection Committee.