

COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS

INFORMATION FOR COMMUNITY, EDUCATION AND NON-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS



AN INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED

YOUTH PROGRAM

The Young Endeavour Youth Scheme provides young Australians with a unique, challenging and inspirational experience at sea aboard the national Sail Training Ship *Young Endeavour*. As a member of the 24 strong youth crew, each participant will be challenged to sail a square-rigged tall ship during an eleven day adventure at sea, usually departing from ports on the eastern or southern coasts of Australia.

In learning how to sail the ship they are learning how to work together as a team, and to recognise and appreciate the strengths of a diverse group of individuals. They are supported by our specially trained Royal Australian Navy staff crew and encouraged to step out of their comfort zones, becoming more self-aware and building the confidence to actively contribute and to take on leadership roles amongst their peers.

UNIQUE ENVIRONMENT

A tall ship at sea provides a powerful setting for experiential learning, as it requires participants to take on responsibilities with real purpose and consequences, albeit with supervision. The immersive nature of the program encourages youth to develop interpersonal, leadership and teamwork skills which they will be able to draw on throughout their lives.

COMMITMENT TO SAFETY

Young Endeavour is traditionally rigged as a brigantine and was designed for sail training.

The ship is a modern sailing vessel, equipped with contemporary navigation, communication and safety equipment. It is maintained by the Royal Australian Navy and certified by the Australian Maritime Safety Authority.

PROFESSIONAL STAFF CREW

The program is delivered by Royal Australian Navy personnel who are carefully selected and trained to ensure the highest standards of safety and care. The staff crew encourage each participant to identify and pursue personal and team goals, and provide them with the tools to meet and negotiate the challenges they will face on board.

SKILLS FOR LIFE

International research shows the Young Endeavour program produces significant outcomes, drawing on a purposefully structured program and positive learning environment to develop participants' capabilities - particularly their confidence.

The skills learned during each eleven day voyage are immediately transferable to every day settings at home, at school and at work.



"FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, IT INSPIRES KIDS TO PUT THEMSELVES INTO POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP. IT'S THE BEST PROGRAM WE'VE EVER BEEN INVOLVED IN."

> Geoff Wing, Former Principal Pennant Hills High School

"THE YOUNG ENDEAVOUR YOUTH SCHEME IS A PERFECT YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - IT PROVIDES LIFE SKILLS, ESPECIALLY TEAMWORK, AND A BETTER AWARENESS OF THEIR OWN CAPABILITIES."

- Vic Gibbons, Canberra Legacy

AN UNFORGETTABLE

ADVENTURE AT SEA

Sail Training Ship *Young Endeavour* was gifted to the people of Australia by the United Kingdom in 1988. Since then we have successfully delivered more than 600 development voyages and embarked more than 14,000 youth for a structured adventure at sea. Each participant has the opportunity to step outside their comfort zone and sail remarkable parts of the Australian coast, while building confidence, friendships and skills for life.

Each day on board *Young Endeavour* is different, depending on where the ship is sailing and the prevailing conditions. Youth crew spend several days and nights at sea learning the skills to sail a square-rigged ship, as well as participating in games and team building activities on deck.

Participants live 'between decks' in a close community. With no Wi-Fi or mobile phones they have the opportunity to be present, focus on the program, build their interpersonal skills and challenge themselves. They learn how to navigate, keep watch, cook in the galley, set and furl sails, climb the mast and take the helm. There are also opportunities to swim, play sports, visit islands, spot whales and dolphins, and get to know some amazing people.

During the voyage they take on increased responsibility for sailing the ship, culminating in Command Day, when they elect their own leadership team and complete a series of challenges while working together to sail *Young Endeavour* to their final destination.



"UPPER HUNTER SHIRE COUNCIL YOUTH SERVICES HAS BEEN SENDING LOCAL YOUTH ON YOUNG ENDEAVOUR VOYAGES FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS. PARTICIPANTS RAVE ABOUT THE EXPERIENCE, EXCITEDLY TELLING OF THE ADVENTURES, THE PERSONAL SENSE OF ACHIEVEMENT, AND MOST OF ALL THE FRIENDSHIPS FORGED. ALL WHO MEET THESE YOUNG PEOPLE NOTICE AN INCREASED SENSE OF SELF CONFIDENCE AND COMMUNITY AWARENESS. IT IS A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE."

- Mary Spora, Youth Services Supervisor Upper Hunter Shire Council



INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF

AUSTRALIAN YOUTH

The Young Endeavour Youth Scheme is committed to broadening access to the youth development program through partnerships with Australian organisations. Community and non-profit organisations can fund Scholarships for local youth to join a voyage in STS *Young Endeavour -* a gift of a lifetime and an investment in the youth of Australia.

BENEFITS FOR ORGANISATIONS

- Develop young leaders within your organisation or community
- Support students, community members, employees and their families
- Provide opportunities for youth from disadvantaged backgrounds

BENEFITS FOR YOUTH AND COMMUNITIES

- Youth build personal skills, higher self-esteem and a greater understanding of self and others
- Learning and outcomes are practical, enduring and readily transferably to real world situations
- The experience improves capacity to participate in education, employment, social life and civic life

SCHOLARSHIP INCLUSIONS

- One standard (10-12 day) youth development program for one eligible young Australian
- Facilitation by specially trained Royal Australian Navy instructors
- Accommodation on board and chef cooked meals for the duration of the voyage
- Young Endeavour kit bag, crew shirt, sailing gloves, handbook and certificate
- Use of wet-weather gear, safety harnesses and safety equipment
- Acknowledgment in the Young Endeavour Annual Report of Proceedings

COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP FEE

The Community Scholarship fee is \$3,950 (including GST) Travel to and from the ship is not included.

Organisations may provide more than one scholarship each year.



APPLY ONLINE

www.youngendeavour.gov.au

OR TALK TO OUR TEAM 1800 020 444

COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM



The Young Endeavour Youth Scheme partners with schools, businesses and community organisations to provide scholarships for young Australians aged 16-23 to join a voyage in STS *Young Endeavour*, and to promote the program to youth within their communities.

ELIGIBILITY

The Young Endeavour Community Scholarship Program enables community and non-profit organisations to nominate and fund eligible youth to join scheduled voyages, bypassing the public ballot and providing direct access to the Young Endeavour Program.

To be eligible, your Candidate/s must:

- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- be 16 23 years old when the voyage departs
- be able to swim 50 metres
- weigh less than 120 kg and be in good health
- not have previously sailed in Young Endeavour.

No prior sailing experience is required - most youth crew have never been to sea before. For safety reasons there are some medical conditions which may preclude participation in a voyage. Offers are provisional and subject to submission of a health questionnaire (available on request).

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

A voyage aboard *Young Endeavour* is not a leisurely cruise - it is adventure training at sea. Each youth crew member is expected to fully participate in all aspects of sailing a tall ship.

Activities include:

- Climbing aloft and working 30 metres above deck, requiring enough upper body strength to support body weight, and coordination of limbs to climb and haul on ropes on deck and aloft;
- Watch keeping duties which necessitate working extended periods and may result in limited and broken sleep;
- Living and working with other people in confined spaces and often arduous conditions; and
- Learning new skills and routines to ensure both individual and shipboard safety.

While the Young Endeavour Youth Scheme will make every effort to place your Candidate on a voyage, the unique nature of the activities undertaken aboard a tall ship may necessitate the safety of the Candidate, the ship, and other members of the crew to be taken into account when considering any health issues that have the potential to be exacerbated by lack of sleep, sea sickness or physical exertion.

Terms and Conditions are available on request or at www.youngendeavour.gov.au.

SELECTION OF YOUR CANDIDATE

Scholarship partners may set additional criteria or seek local applications. There is no prescribed process - our team can share examples and provide shareable content about the voyage and youth development program.

If a Candidate has not yet been identified, the Young Endeavour Youth Scheme will hold berths on preferred voyages subject to availability at the time of booking.

Confirmation of voyage and Candidate/s is required no later than eight weeks prior to voyage commencement. This allows the Young Endeavour Youth Scheme to offer any positions not required by your organisation to young Australians who apply through our ballot.

When selecting voyages please consider factors that may affect availability, including leave, work commitments, exams, family events, and travel times/costs.

WHAT DOES IT COST?

The Community Scholarship fee for a youth development voyage is \$3,950 (including GST) per berth and includes:

- participation in the youth development program
- voyage accommodation and chef cooked meals
- · Young Endeavour kitbag, crew shirt, sailing gloves
- use of wet-weather gear and safety equipment
- acknowledgment in our Annual Report of Proceedings

Travel to and from the ship is not included.

TRAVEL AND INSURANCE

Your organisation and Candidate/s are responsible for travel to and from the ship. The Young Endeavour Youth Scheme accepts no responsibility for Youth Crew prior to embarkation or after disembarkion at voyage end.

Travel insurance is strongly recommended to cover contingencies such as accident or injury, cancellation of flights or unexpected changes in plans.

PAYMENT

Your organisation will be invoiced for the total number of berths on the application form, with payment due per the invoice, prior to the voyage start date.

In the event a Candidate is unable to join a nominated voyage the Scholarship may be transferrable within the same financial year (subject to availability).

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