

Jennifer Leonard Scholarship

Apply for an opportunity to attend the 2008 CAR Conference in Houston 2008 IRE Conference in Miami

Every year, over 1,000 investigative journalists meet for a few days to learn how to do their jobs better. These conferences are packed with panels, workshops and roundtables covering the latest developments in the field. The conferences have become known for the practical tips and story ideas shared by prize-winning IRE members. Sessions range from hands-on computer training to panels on more traditional shoe-leather techniques. Demo rooms allow broadcasters to view video clips by other members. Tipsheets and story clips are freely shared.

Jennifer Leonard Scholarships are for women of modest means who are college students studying journalism or professional journalists with three or fewer years of working experience. The scholarships were established by IRE member David Cay Johnston to honor his wife, the president of the Rochester Area Community Foundation and a national leader in promoting ethical standards for endowments.

Included: A one-year IRE membership (student or professional), waived conference registration fees, hotel accommodations at the conference hotel and up to \$500 in travel reimbursement. This award does not cover food or ancillary charges.

Name _____ Affiliation _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____

State _____ ZIP Code _____ Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Applying for Student Scholarship Professional Scholarship

To attend 2008 CAR Conference, Feb. 28 to March 2, Houston 2008 IRE Conference, June 5-8, Miami

Submission Instructions please read carefully

1. Have you ever applied for an IRE or NICAR award before? yes no

If yes, did you receive funding? yes no

If yes, to which event and what year? _____

2. Attach a current resume.

3. Attach one letter of recommendation from a professor (if college student) or supervisor (if professional journalist). The letter should comment on the applicant's strengths as a journalist, how the applicant could benefit from the award and what the applicant could contribute as a member of IRE.

4. Attach or include examples of your work which best represent your investigative reporting capability or promise. If you are a print reporter, include 2 clips on 8.5 X 11 paper. If you are a broadcast reporter, include a VHS tape, an audio tape (radio), or a transcript. If you are an editor or producer, include work you supervised. You may include a brief explanation of special contributions you made or hurdles you faced in completing this project.

5. If you are a college student, please include a copy of your college transcripts.

6. On a separate sheet of paper, answer the following question: **What are your career goals?**

7. Financial need is one criteria we use to select applicants. Please write a few sentences describing your current financial situation.

NOTICE: Materials submitted will NOT be returned.

Mail completed applications, at least 60 days before the event, to:

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