

HUNGARIAN VETERANS' ASSOCIATION CALGARY CHAPTER

The Széchenyi Award

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INTRODUCTION:

For over 50 years the Calgary Chapter of the Hungarian Veterans' Association (HVA) has been actively involved in selected community projects both here in Calgary and in our former homeland of Hungary. These endeavors have realized projects and improved the lives of many. The sponsorships have provided assistances to schools, churches, and children nurseries, victims of natural and man-caused tragedies, literary projects, educational pursuits and student scholarships.

Count Széchenyi István (Stephen) was a noted Hungarian statesman who did much to improve the social and economic conditions of Hungary and her citizens. By establishing this award in his honour HVA hopes to nurture personal development in those who apply. We encourage involvement with fine arts, sports, academia and volunteerism – community involvement.

Eligibility & Particulars of the Széchenyi Award:

1. This award's aim is to financially assist a student for a required school activity, that is, an academic or an extracurricular activity. All applications will be considered, but may not be eligible.
2. This award is available to students in grades 10, 11, 12 & beyond and who may also be participating in the current Magyar Gala.
3. The award is for the current school/academic year. That is, applications can be submitted starting in October till end of March.
4. The cash awards (amounts will vary) will be bestowed promptly once the application requirements are fulfilled.
5. The recipient is responsible for providing all relevant documentation and or receipts. They also need to partake in an interview.
6. HVA executives review all submissions and after the interviews the judges' decisions are final.

Széchenyi Award

The Széchenyi Award Panel will only review applications that have met the following criteria:

Application Requirements

- 1) Completed Széchenyi Award Application Form (see following page) and required Documents/Receipts submitted to Michelle Hartmann (mahartma1@gmail.com)
- 2) Confirmation from Michelle Hartmann that your application has been received by contacting her at 403-399-8626 or mahartma1@gmail.com as soon as possible.

Documentation/Receipts

- 1) Copy of the completed official Registration Form (your name MUST appear on the form) from the institute, organization, club, etc. where the activity takes place.
- 2) Official proof of payment.
- 3) Reference letter (if requested), on an original and current letterhead, from the teacher, instructor, coach, etc. Reference letter should state why the applicant deserves this award.

For clarification regarding the scholarship requirements contact: Michelle Hartmann. Email: mahartma1@gmail.com

NOTE: Only one of the scholarships (Széchenyi Award or the Scholarship) can be applied for in the same year by the same person.

Széchenyi Award

To support your application and to allow the Panel to get better acquainted with you, please answer the following questions on a separate page. Do not exceed two pages in total length.

1. How did you become aware of this award?
2. What do you know about the Hungarian Veterans' Association?
3. What is the extracurricular activity or hobby you will use the funds for. How will this help you now?
4. How do you see this activity benefitting you and your community in the future?
5. What are your personal strengths, skills, or talents?
6. How do you share your talents with the community?
7. Research Count Széchenyi and discuss which one of his reforms surprised you and why. (100 words)

Please note that plagiarism will automatically disqualify the applicant.