



## 2018 Educator Academy in the Amazon Rainforest *Commitment and Scholarship Application*

**Scholarship Application Deadline is February 1, 2018.**

As part of our commitment to rainforest education and professional development, we are pleased to offer **three \$1100 scholarships** to the 2018 Educator Academy in the Amazon. We are seeking applicants who demonstrate a strong commitment to bringing the Amazon experience back to their classrooms, schools, and communities in very tangible ways and sharing their experience with future academy participants. Please download a complete syllabus and learn more about the Academy goals and objectives prior to completing your application.

<http://www.amazonworkshops.com/educator-academy.html>

Please note: In order to be considered for a 2018 Academy Scholarship, applicants must be a formal or non-formal education professional. You are welcome to apply if you are a K-12 educator or administrator, a university professor, environmental educator, or other formal or non-formal education professional.

**This is a fillable form. Please click into the shaded areas to complete.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

School/Organization \_\_\_\_\_ School/Office Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Grade/Subject/Specialty \_\_\_\_\_

Environmental and/or professional memberships \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about this opportunity? \_\_\_\_\_

**Upon Completion of your application:**

Save, sign, scan and email your form as an attachment to [christa@amazonworkshops.com](mailto:christa@amazonworkshops.com)

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## Part 1: Personal Commitment

*As a scholarship applicant for the 2018 Educator Academy in the Amazon, I believe in my ability to educate, enlighten, and engage others in understanding and exploring the world we share. I intend to be a positive, active, and engaged participant before, during, and after the Amazon field experience.*

**Please enter your responses to the following questions in the space provided.**

**1. When thinking about yourself as a learner, what is your motivation for joining the 2018 Educator Academy in the Amazon? What key questions, content, and ideas do you hope to explore as a result?**

**2. How will your participation support your personal/professional learning goals and help you grow as an educator?**

3. In what ways will your participation enhance the camaraderie and overall experience of the expedition group?

## **Part 2: Commitment to Students, Colleagues, and Community**

*The future of the Amazon and the future of our planet depend on our youth. As a scholarship applicant, I will apply what I learn in the Amazon with my students/patrons and share with my district and/or professional community as well as the Amazon Workshops network.*

**Drawing upon what you hope to gain from the 2018 Educator Academy, please use the space provided to describe:**

**1) How will your students or constituents benefit from your participation?**

**2) How will your school or organization benefit from your participation?**

**3) What action plan/activities are you committed to carrying out in order to share your Amazon experience with your students, school/colleagues, and professional organizations? (Include key activities and a proposed timeline.)**

## Scholarship Terms and Conditions

If selected to receive a grant of \$1100 toward my participation in the July 1-11, 2018 Educator Academy in the Amazon Rainforest, I agree to provide education outreach, marketing collaboration, and counsel for the Amazon Rainforest Workshops program in the following ways:

1. I will execute the key activities outlined in my action plan as proposed in my application and will share the results and tangible products (lessons, activities, slide shows, video, etc.) with the Academy faculty and future participants in the Academy program.
2. I will acknowledge the Amazon Rainforest Workshops as a source of inspiration with a link or URL on the materials or graphics created as a result of my participation in the Educator Academy in the Amazon.
3. I will submit an article and/or apply to present for a state, regional, or national education organization of which I am a member about the Academy (as a source of inspiration and professional development); connecting my experience to at least one key environmental issue/content topic/pedagogy trend that the Academy addresses and submit it for acceptance by a mutually agreed upon time, but no later than 6 months after my return.
4. I will be a partner in exploring and generating awareness of the Amazon Rainforest Workshops through channels of social media, assist in placing announcements on listservs/discussion boards/forums and whenever possible distribute flyers at conferences of which I attend.

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Applications are evaluated by a team of past participants and members of the Amazon Rainforest Workshops advisory board using a scoring rubric. The scoring rubric can be found on line at <http://www.amazonworkshops.com/scholarships--funding.html>