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Maggie L. Walker National Historic Site

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2013 Summer Youth Leadership Institute

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"I learned that leadership is not just telling people what to do. It's about inspiring people to do better for the community."

– Sidney Shavers, 2011 Institute Graduate

The National Park Service is pleased to sponsor the fourth annual **Maggie L. Walker Summer Youth Leadership Institute,** July 1 - July 11, 2013. We are seeking outstanding, high school-age students to benefit from this free program.

Park Information

Maggie L. Walker National Historic Site, home of the first African American woman in the United States to become president of a chartered bank, has been a National Park Site since 1978. As the leader of the Independent Order of St. Luke, an important benevolent association, Maggie L. Walker was a philanthropist, a feminist, and an early advocate of civil rights, becoming active in many national organizations and fostering the economic empowerment of generations of women and African Americans.

The Institute

The Leadership Institute provides a two week experiential program for youth interested in developing leadership skills and participating in community service projects. It is open at no cost to students ages 14 through 18 in the greater Richmond area and is limited to fourteen participants. The program meets weekdays Monday, July 1 through Thursday, July 11, 9am-2pm each day on site at Maggie L. Walker NHS. (No program on Thursday, July 4.) On Saturday, July 13, all participants will be invited to a graduation ceremony held in their honor.

Goals of the Institute

Maggie Walker's earliest leadership role in the Order was as Matron of the Juvenile Department, helping young people learn self-discipline, self-help, and selflessness, and grooming young leaders who knew the importance of helping others and their communities. Leadership Institute activities embrace Mrs. Walker's grand example. It inspires participants to be future leaders by cultivating their sense of pride in heritage, by focusing on the habits of effective teens, by exposing them to successful community leaders, and by helping them create a personal plan for the future. The goal is to teach students to become engaged citizens, serving their community proudly and developing strong character traits to better understand themselves and their place as an integral component of a wider global community.

- Applications accepted until all slots are filled. Please apply early.
- Institute Dates: July 1 – July 11, 2013 (No program on July 4.)
- Graduation Date: Saturday, July 13, 2013

Application may be downloaded from the park website (www.nps.gov/mawa). Mail or fax completed application to:

Mailing Address:
Attention: Summer Youth Leadership Institute
Maggie L. Walker National Historic Site
3215 E Broad St, Richmond, VA 23223

Fax: 804-771-2226

Contact: Ajena Rogers, Site Supervisor
ajena_rogers@nps.gov
804-771-2017 x22

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Student Application

- Open to students age 14-18
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- By mail: Attention: Youth Leadership Institute
  c/o Maggie L. Walker NHS
  3215 E Broad Street
  Richmond, VA 23223
- By fax: 804-771-2226

Name		Grade (next year)	
Age		School (current)	
Date of Birth		School (next year)	
Address		Home Phone	
City/State/Zip		Email	

Parent/Guardian			
Address		Guardian Phone	
City/State/Zip		Guardian Email	

In which extracurricular activities do you participate at school or in the community?	

Why are you applying for the MLW Summer Youth Leadership Institute and what would you like to get out of it?	

What is/are your favorite subject(s) in school?

Why do you feel this is your favorite subject? Please explain.

What kinds of books or magazines do you read? Why?

If you were given your choice of jobs, occupations, or a special career, what would it be?

How would you define a leader?

Is there anything else that you would like us to know about you?

Student Signature		Date	
Parent Signature		Date	