Association for Washington Archaeology Student Travel Grant

Students are invited to apply for travel funds from the AWA for conference presentation of research that directly enhances or contributes to archaeological knowledge in Washington State. This funding may be used for paper or poster presentations at the annual Northwest Anthropological Conference (up to \$200) or another pertinent conference, either national or international (up to \$300). Applicants must be members of the AWA and in good standing at their college or university (GPA of 3.0 or higher). The award may be used for travel to and from the conference location; lodging fees; and conference registration. Funds may not be used for other costs associated with the conference and travel (e.g., food purchases). An eligible student may receive no more than one AWA Student Travel Grant.

In your application, please include the following information:

- 1. Name
- 2. Affiliated college or university
- 3. Student status (e.g., undergraduate; post-bac; graduate pursuing MS, MA, Ph.D.)
- 4. Conference information including dates, city/state/country, hotel address (or alternate plans for housing), and conference website
- 5. Submitted abstract
- 6. Confirmation of presentation acceptance from conference organizers
- 7. Resume or CV
- 8. Other sources of funding (including amounts) to attend the conference
- 9. A written explanation regarding a) how attending the conference will further the student's career goals; b) how the presentation will benefit attendees; and c) how the presentation or research will further Washington archaeology. This explanation should not exceed one double-spaced page.

Additionally, students whose travel is funded are asked to write a summary of their presentation, their experience at the conference, and how attending benefitted their research and/or career goals. This summary will be published in the AWA newsletter.

Applications can be submitted by following instructions on the AWA website. See the News and Events tab of the website (https://washingtonarchaeology.org/news-events/) for the email addresses to which you should submit the application materials. Application deadlines are set twice annually (January 31st and July 31st), with one student funded for each application period. Award money will be paid out in advance of the conference.

The AWA Board will review applications through a particular biannual deadline and decide and notify the recipient of the award within one month of the deadline. Decision of award will primarily be based on the Board review of relative merit as expressed in #9 above. Award decisions are made at the discretion of the Board; an award may not necessarily be made during a given period, or more than one award may be made in the event of equal merit among top applicants and the budget allows.