

THE 2011 DORIS SWEETNAM SCHOLARSHIP FUND

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

The annual Doris Sweetnam Scholarship Fund was created by Eastern Currents Distributing to assist third and fourth-year students enrolled full-time in acupuncture, Traditional Chinese Medicine, or Naturopathic study programs. The Scholarship fund is named in honour of Doris Sweetnam, a pioneer in the field of acupuncture and auricular medicine in Canada.

The winning candidate of this inaugural scholarship will be awarded the following:

- \$1,000.00 from Eastern Currents
- \$500.00 from Carbo Trading
- \$500.00 from the Sweetnam Family
- Free entrance to the 2011 Canadian Oriental Medical Symposium for three days (approximate value \$295.00) held in Vancouver March 11-13, 2011

Total value of award for 2011 is \$2,295.00

Eligibility

Acupuncture, Traditional Chinese Medicine, or Naturopathic students entering 3rd or 4th year (full-time) in an established/recognized school. Students from across Canada are eligible.

Terms

Students will submit either a 1,000 word essay or a five-minute video/multimedia presentation on the following topic:

In Traditional Chinese Medicine, women's and men's lives are viewed in cycles of seven and eight years respectively. Explain these life cycles in a modern and relevant way that would inspire the average person to use TCM to support their personal health over the long-term.

Please include the following information with your submission: Your full name, mailing address, contact phone number, email address, name of school you are currently attending, program name and year of study, and proof of enrollment (a letter from your school is preferred).

Application Format

Essays can be submitted in digital format in Microsoft Word by email or CD. Multimedia/video presentations can be submitted by CD or DVD. Only one application per person is permitted.

Submission Dates

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION BY 4PM (PST) FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2011.

More details...

Presentations will be assessed by Dr. John Stan. The winner will be contacted by March 1, 2011. The award will be presented at the Canadian Oriental Medical Symposium on March 12, 2011.

The student will be required, should they accept the free admission to the Canadian Oriental Medical Symposium, to make their own travel and lodging arrangements. Costs for travel and/or lodging is not covered by the scholarship. The essay or multimedia presentation will be published in the handout, or displayed, at the Canadian Oriental Medical Symposium for attendees to read or view. The scholarship recipient allows Eastern Currents the right to use his or her name, likeness and biographical information, as well as the right to use their scholarship project submission in connection with any and all Eastern Currents promotions and publicity, including the website and promotions of the Doris Sweetnam Scholarship Fund. The winning submission will also be uploaded to Eastern Currents' website for individuals to view. The scholarship will only be granted if the applicant can prove enrollment in an acceptable full-time program of study.



Doris Sweetnam 1920 - 2007

Submit application to:

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Questions?

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In Memoriam: Doris Sweetnam 1920-2007

Doris was a fixture of the Stittsville, Ontario community for 40 years, a community innovator, acupuncturist, mentor, toastmaster and businesswoman. Her presence is greatly missed by family, friends and former employees.

Doris and her daughter Carol founded M.E.D. Servi-Systems in 1980 under the name of MD AcuDesigns & Supplies. Fresh from acupuncture studies in Asia and Europe, they had difficulty in finding supplies in North America and so imported acupuncture needles to use in their own practice and to sell to colleagues.

M.E.D. Servi-Systems played an important role in the expansion of acupuncture and auricular medicine in North America during the 1980s. Seeing a need for instruction in North America, M.E.D. Servi-Systems brought in lecturers from around the world to help introduce more Canadians and Americans to these disciplines.

In January 2006 Doris sold M.E.D. Servi-Systems to Eastern Currents Distributing, certain that Eastern Currents would continue to increase awareness of alternative medicine with a similar passion and provide excellent service and educational development to the next generation of healthcare practitioners.

Attendees of the Canadian Oriental Medical Symposium in 2006 heard Doris speak at the opening ceremonies. She was energetic and animated, reminding practitioners that they hold powerful keys to health. Throughout her talk we were swept away by her passion and conviction.

Eastern Currents took up the mantle that Doris bequeathed to us. We commit to be a leader in the field of acupuncture and TCM. To provide the best selection of quality products, and to keep practitioners on the leading edge of the field. We strive to ensure that practitioners are successful in bringing to the world the extraordinary benefits of our profession.

In honour of Doris' pioneering efforts we established the Doris Sweetnam Scholarship Fund open to third and fourth-year full-time students in the field of acupuncture, TCM, and Naturopathic Medicine.



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