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### **Calling All Motivated Young Humanitarians: Montage Hotels & Resorts Awarding \$50,000 in College Scholarships**

*Third annual Montage Memory Maker contest will award five winners with a \$10,000 scholarship to an accredited college or university*

**ORANGE COUNTY, CALIF. (September 9, 2015)** – [Montage Hotels & Resorts](#) is empowering young humanitarians with scholarships to fulfill their higher education goals with the third annual **Montage Memory Makers** contest. The luxury hotel company is in search of community leaders between the ages of 13-17 years old who are making the world a better place. The five winners will be judged on the following criteria: 1) Ongoing community service or volunteering efforts, 2) Achievements that have made a meaningful impact in their community or beyond, and 3) How their community service inspires others.

Individuals who meet the contest requirements are encouraged to enter the contest by visiting <https://www.montagehotels.com/montage-memory-makers-scholarship/> to upload a three-hundred (300) word essay (mandatory), and additional material detailing how they inspire and provide service to their communities. Entries will be accepted from now through November 9, 2015. Winners will be formally announced January 4, 2016.

“Our company is committed to inspiring younger generations to nurture creativity, promote generosity and encourage community service,” said Montage Hotels & Resorts Founder and CEO, Alan J. Fuerstman. “The Montage Memory Makers contest was developed to recognize exceptional young humanitarians who make giving back a part of their everyday lives.”

Ten finalists will be selected by Montage Hotels & Resorts after November 9, and the final five winners will be chosen by a panel of judges, including:

- Alan Fuerstman, Founder & CEO of [Montage Hotels & Resorts](#)
- Bill Shore, Founder & CEO of [Share our Strength](#)
- Brad Meltzer, #1 *New York Times* bestselling [author](#)
- Charles Best, Founder and CEO of [DonorsChoose.org](#)
- Darell Hammond, Founder & CEO of [KaBOOM!](#)
- Ellen Asmodeo-Giglio, Executive Vice President and Publisher of [AFAR Magazine](#)

Each winner will be awarded \$10,000 to their accredited college or university. Additionally, they will receive a two-night stay at one of the Montage properties in the Continental U.S., including Montage Beverly Hills, Montage Laguna Beach, Montage Deer Valley and The Inn at Palmetto Bluff, a Montage Resort; one 30-minute mentor session via phone with one of our guest judges, and a feature in the spring 2016 issue of Montage Magazine.

\*For more information on the Montage Memory Makers contest including rules and guidelines and to submit, please visit: <https://www.montagehotels.com/montage-memory-makers-scholarship/>

### **About Montage Hotels & Resorts**

Montage Hotels & Resorts is a hotel and resort management company founded by Alan J. Fuerstman. Designed to serve the luxury traveler and homeowner, the company features an artistic collection of distinctive hotels, resorts and residences in stunning settings that offer comfortable elegance, a unique sense of place and spirit, impeccable hospitality and memorable culinary, spa and lifestyle experiences. The portfolio of hotels, resorts and residences includes Montage Laguna Beach, Montage Beverly Hills, Montage Deer Valley, Montage Kapalua Bay, The Inn at Palmetto Bluff, a Montage Resort, and opening in late 2017, Montage Los Cabos. In 2014, the company launched Pendry Hotels, a second brand that will marry the culture of service for which Montage is renowned with an inspired, fashion-forward and design-driven approach to hospitality. The first Pendry Hotel, Pendry San Diego, will open Fall 2016. In addition, the company also operates some of the country's premiere golf courses, including Spanish Peaks Mountain Club in Big Sky, Montana and The May River Golf Club in Bluffton, South Carolina. For more information, please visit [www.montagehotels.com](http://www.montagehotels.com).

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