



What is RYLA?

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is an intensive training program for youth ages 14-30. Talented young people attend a seminar, camp, or workshop, generally three to ten days in length, organized by Rotarians at the local club or district level. Participants' expenses are often paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs.

The RYLA program enables young people to debate issues of professional responsibility and human relations, improve leadership and communication skills, learn about businesses and institutions, and meet Rotarians while having fun and making friends. For young adults, RYLA provides the opportunity to refine skills and explore pertinent topics with their peers and elders. For Rotarians, RYLA offers the chance to help develop leaders, share valuable expertise, and bridge the gap between generations.

What does RYLA offer?

During a RYLA program, you will:

- Gain exposure to issues and exchange ideas with talented people like you.
- Explore new career paths and find out more about your chosen field from successful professionals.
- Learn how to coordinate youth activities and community service projects in your community.
- Discuss creative approaches for resolving family, social, and professional conflicts.
- Meet Rotary decision-makers in your community and learn about other Rotary programs for young people.



Who participates in RYLA?

RYLA events are for young adults with proven leadership experience and potential leaders from diverse backgrounds. Whether you are a secondary school student, university student, or young professional, RYLA provides a unique opportunity to learn, grow, have fun, and make new friends. The RYLA experience prepares young people to be leaders in their community, profession, and other facets of everyday life.

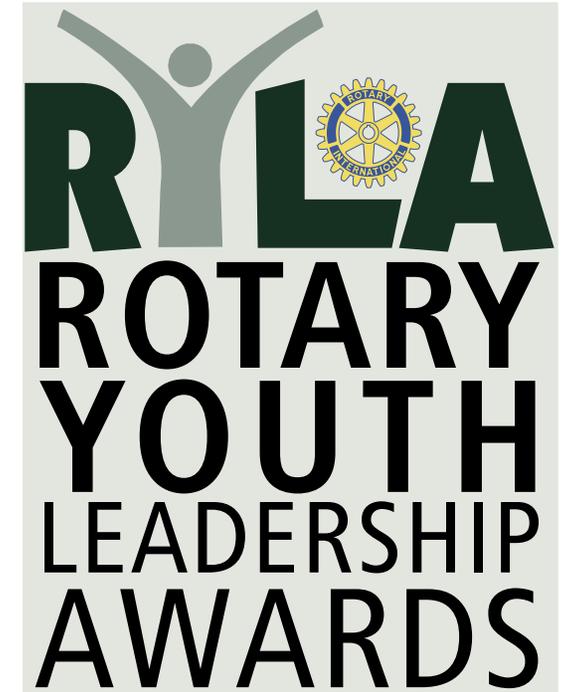
RYLA will help you:

- Develop leadership skills.
- Increase self-confidence.
- Gain exposure to a variety of issues and people.
- Improve career skills and knowledge.
- Meet community leaders and mentors.



How do I apply?

If you would like to learn more about the RYLA program, contact your local Rotary club or Rotary International for details.



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