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YOUNG LEADERS OF THE DECADE

Nomination Deadline: August 20, 2009

Winners presented at the
**Salute to Youth Leadership
Benefit & Auction**

Saturday, October 3, 2009
Los Angeles, CA

YOUNG LEADERS OF THE DECADE LEADERSHIP SERVICE AWARD

The Tavis Smiley Foundation is pleased to announce the Smiley 100 Young Leaders of the Decade leadership service award. Since its inception, the Youth to Leaders program has worked to identify and train the next generation of leaders. In recognition of its 10th anniversary, the Tavis Smiley Foundation will honor 100 young leaders from Southern California who exemplify and embody the spirit of its mission to enlighten, encourage and empower.

Who is Eligible?

High school and middle school students between the ages of 13 - 18 who reside in Southern California.

Nominees must have had a significant impact through acts of leadership and service and have exhibited courage, conviction and commitment to a cause, project or issue.

What is the Cost?

There is no cost for nominees or winners to participate.

What is the Criteria?

Individuals, businesses, non-profit, community and church organizations, teachers, social workers, mentors, etc. can nominate one student whose dedication to leadership and service has had a profound impact on their neighborhood, family, community, school, city or state. Nominees cannot be related to the nominator. One entry per household.

Nomination Process

Nominators can submit a 400 word maximum recommendation on their student candidate online at the Tavis Smiley Foundation's official website: www.youthtoleaders.org. Nominators are responsible for receiving parental consent for the nomination of their candidate and providing it to the Tavis Smiley Foundation.

Contest Period

The nominations period runs June 19 - August 20, 2009. Only winners will be notified by August 30, 2009.

Selection Panel

A selection panel comprised of TSF staff, volunteers, and partner organizations will select the winners. All decisions of the panel are final.

Salute to Youth Leadership Benefit

Winners will receive their award at the 9th Annual Salute to Youth Leadership Benefit on Oct. 3, 2009 in Los Angeles.

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