



# SHRINE YOUNG AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

## Role Description

### THE SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE

The Shrine of Remembrance is Victoria's pre-eminent memorial to the service and sacrifice of Australian men and women in times of war and peacekeeping. It is a building with a soul, sharing the stories of extraordinary people whose efforts and experiences have shaped, and continue to shape, our nation.

A Melbourne icon, the Shrine is consistently ranked among the nation's leading visitor attractions. Major redevelopment now facilitates the provision of enhanced exhibition, education and learning programs to over one-million people each year.

### CHARTER, VISION, MISSION AND VALUES

#### Charter

The objectives of the Shrine of Remembrance are defined in the Shrine of Remembrance Act 1978, as are the duties of Trustees, which are:

1. Responsibility for the care, management, maintenance, and preservation of the Shrine of Remembrance.
2. The development, promotion, management and the staging of ceremonial activities and events to commemorate the service and sacrifice of Victorians and Australians in war, conflict, peacekeeping and peacemaking, including, but not limited to, wreath laying and other ceremonial or commemorative activities; and
3. The development, promotion, management, and implementation of public programs to inform, educate and promote understanding among Victorians and visitors about the history, experience, service and sacrifice of Victorians and Australians in war, conflict, peacekeeping, and peacemaking, including, but not limited to, exhibitions, lectures, publications, school learning and outreach programs.

#### Purpose

To be a memorial to honour the service and sacrifice of Victorians and Australians in war, conflict, peacemaking, peacekeeping, and as a site of national, State and cultural significance.

#### Vision

To be the most special place at which to reflect on the way of life we value, defended by the service of so many.

#### Mission

We will memorialise those who have served in war, peacemaking, and peacekeeping, engaging through education and storytelling. We will be acknowledged for our leadership and cultural significance.

#### Values

The Shrine will adhere to, and be known for, the values of integrity, loyalty, service, respect and inclusion.



## OVERVIEW

Shrine Young Ambassadors are students who are in Year 9 or Year 10. They are appointed for a 12-month period.

Young Ambassadors can actively participate in programs and commemorative events at the Shrine, representing future generations

Young Ambassadors encourage their peers and other young people to gain a greater understanding of the importance of remembering and honouring Australia's service community and wartime history.

Induction training is provided at the beginning of the program, along with a chance to meet key Shrine staff.

All Young Ambassadors will receive a Shrine Young Ambassador blazer that should be worn when attending the Shrine to undertake any activity.

Young Ambassadors are encouraged to engage with their school communities via school assemblies, newsletters or other school-based activities.

All activities, except the interstate trip, will be undertaken at the Shrine.

## KEY ACTIVITIES

Shrine Young Ambassadors can participate in the following activities:

Attend and participate as required in major services like Anzac Day, Legacy Student Day, Victorian Aboriginal Remembrance Service, Vietnam Veterans Day and Remembrance Day. There is also the opportunity to participate in a range of smaller services, like the weekly Last Post service, across the year that are outlined in the Young Ambassador yearly schedule.

Participate in the annual artist in residence program. Young Ambassadors work together with an artist to create an artwork for display in the Education Centre Foyer that is on display for twelve months.

A day trip to a key cultural site in another state, to learn about commemorative practices and deepen knowledge of wartime service and sacrifice.

Provide support for the delivery of family programming activities in the school holidays

Participate in the planning and delivery of the annual Young Ambassador commemorative service which concludes the program in December.

## COMMUNICATION



The key contact for the Young Ambassadors is the Education and Volunteer Manager.

The main email address to use is [volunteer@shrine.org.au](mailto:volunteer@shrine.org.au)

Email is the primary method of communication between Shrine staff and the Young Ambassadors.

We use the volunteer software system called MyImpact for applications and ongoing management of your participation in the program. Opportunities to sign up for activities and events are available on this system, so it needs to be checked regularly.