

**Girl Scouts of Northern California
Destination 2010**

The Future is Green
July 22 - August 1, 2010

**Accepting Applications and
Financial Aid requests
thru 4/15/2010.**

**Spaces still available apply
now to secure your spot!**

**No need to be a current Girl Scout to
apply – \$12 additional fee to join.**

Imagine cleaner air, less polluted waters, and very little waste being put into our landfills. Choose your area of interest: astronomy, robotics or the environment and discover how you and green technology can help make these dreams a reality.

Astronomy participants will learn about the night sky, technology that is used to explore the universe, and how astronomers have become instrumental in research regarding global climate change and space debris. Robotics participants will explore the importance of robots in exploration, health care, and helping to make the world “green.” They will then design, build, and program their own robot to meet certain challenges. Environment participants will explore the eco-challenges and successes of the San Francisco Bay.



The first 8 nights you will be staying at the Presentation Center nestled in the redwood forest of the Santa Cruz Mountains. This facility has received the Gold LEED Certification Award for its new Welcoming Center and has a strong “green” mission. At the center you will participate in hands-on activities related to your area of interest and take fieldtrips to the California coast, NASA Ames Research Center, Monterey Bay Aquarium and Research Institute, and other local areas of interest. The last two nights you and the other 68 girls and chaperones will go to San Francisco for the “San Francisco Experience” including a visit to the California Academy of

Sciences and a ride on a hybrid ferry in San Francisco Bay.

Who: Girls must be 13-18 years old (entering at least 9th grade at time of event)

Where: San Francisco Bay Area

When: July 22-August 1, 2010

Cost: \$750 per girl (financial aid for the event and for travel is available to qualified applicants, see attached financial aid application)

Extended Deadline: April 15, 2010 (received by GSNC)

Deposit: \$200 due within 2 weeks of acceptance and will be applied to event fee.

Please include answers to the following questions in your essay:

- In what ways do you think technology and nature are merging?
- Explain how you think technology can help nature and/or how nature can help technology.
- What do you find most interesting about these topics: technology, environment, astronomy, robotics? (May include all topics or just those in which you are most interested.)

Please choose area of interest:

- Robotics
- Astronomy & the Universe
- Environment.



IMPORTANT: Return this top sheet with your application to:

**Marisa Cidre, Girl Scouts of Northern California, 1310 S. Bascom Avenue,
San Jose, CA 95128 or by fax at 408-287-8025**

For more information: mcidre@girlscoutsnorcal.org or
http://www.girlscoutsnorcal.org/ggt_destinations

Girl Scout 2010 *destinations*



Application Form Instructions

Here's the first step to an adventure of a lifetime!

Use the application form for all national and international *destinations* that require an application. (The *destinations* that are "Getaways" have their own registration forms and timelines.)

Instructions:

1. Type or print clearly using **black** ink. Continue questions on a new page if your answers are longer than the space provided. Clearly label the additions.
2. Fill out the application completely. **Make a photocopy for yourself.**
3. Make sure you, your parent/guardian, and a staff person from your Girl Scout council signs the last page.
4. Send or take your completed applications to your Girl Scout council by your **council's deadline.** (If you are a USA Girl Scout Overseas, please send your completed application to your Overseas Committee Chair by October 25, 2010. If you have questions about the application process, please e-mail overseas@girlscouts.org).
5. While you can use the same short answers and same references for each event you apply for, you need to write a separate essay for each event. **You can apply for up to 4 (FOUR) destinations.**
6. Please write your essays on separate pages, using one page per essay.
7. Be sure to put your name and the event name on the top of each page of your application.

Happy Traveling!

Name: _____



Girl Scout 2010 destinations Application Form for National and International Events

Event Choice: International or National Event:

(You need to complete **ONE** application for each event you are applying to. You can apply for up to 4 events.)

Event Sponsor: Girl Scouts of Northern California

Applicant Information:

Name:		Telephone:	
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
E-mail:		Parent/Guardian e-mail:	
Your birth date:	Age at time of June 1, 2010:	Present school grade:	
Girl Scout council name:		Council phone#:	
Girl Scout council address:			
Girl Scout council contact name:		Council contact email:	

References Information:

Please **PRINT/TYPE** the names and information of the two adults you have asked to submit references for you. Consider someone from your council office, a teacher, a sports coach, or a member of your place of worship. **Be sure to give these adults the "2010 destinations Reference Form."**

1.	Name:		Relationship:	
	Address:			
	Telephone:		E-mail:	
2.	Name:		Relationship:	
	Address:			
	Telephone:		E-mail:	

Racial/Ethnic breakdown:

In order to monitor and promote the participation rates of girls from various racial and cultural backgrounds, we request that you provide the following information. You are not required to respond. The information will be used for monitoring purposes exclusively and will have no influence on the selection process.

American Indian Asian/Pacific Islander Black White Are you also of Hispanic origin?

Name:	
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Part 1: Essay

Please describe why you want to participate in the event that you have chosen. Be specific about what knowledge and skills you would bring to each event and what you would like to bring home! Don't forget to describe any special skills you have related to the event, like camping or community service, or why you're excited about trying out something new. **Use separate paper for your essay.** Remember to put your name and the event name on each page you submit.

Part 2: Short Answer Questions

- 1.** Have you ever been away from your family overnight? Yes No
If yes, briefly describe length of time, where, when, and with whom. If no, please describe why you are ready for this trip away from home now?

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- 2.** Briefly describe your two most meaningful experiences away from home without your family.

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- 3.** Make a list of what activities (sports, clubs, or other activities) you do outside of school.

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	

- 4.** Have you previously attended a nationwide or international travel opportunity in Girl Scouting? If yes, which one(s)?

Events(s)	Date(s)

- 5.** Have you previously applied for any Girl Scout travel opportunity with nationwide participation or an international event in Girl Scouting and not been chosen? (If yes, list event name(s) and year(s))
 Yes No

Events(s)	Date(s)

Name: _____

Part 3. Skills Inventory:

1. Languages: Tell us what language(s) you speak in addition to English and level of fluency.

BASIC	INTERMEDIATE	ADVANCED

2. Camping/Outdoor Skills: Please check off the areas from this list that you have had experience in:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hiking | <input type="checkbox"/> Resident camp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Orienteering | <input type="checkbox"/> Ecology/Nature Studies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Survival or primitive camping (roughing it!) | <input type="checkbox"/> Tents (care & use) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Cooking and Meal Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Backpacking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Day camp | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Describe) |

Other:

Part 4: Signatures (Please verify page 1 contact information.)

1. Applicant Understanding:

I have read the event descriptions and feel I am able to participate in the events I selected. If I am selected, I have definite intentions of attending the event and plan to accept participation.

Applicant's signature: _____ **Date:** _____

2. Parent/Guardian permission:

I have read the *destinations* descriptions to which my daughter is applying. To the best of my knowledge

_____ has a clear understanding of the event(s) she has applied for, and if selected, she has my permission to participate.

I grant Girl Scouts of the USA permission to share her e-mail address with other Girl Scout participants.

Yes No

NOTE: Girl Scouts of the USA wants to provide a pleasant and enjoyable experience for every *destinations* participant. Girl Scout *destinations* require mental and/or physical agility. If your child is a person with a disability and may need accommodations or further information please contact: Nicole Mayhorn, Manager, Teen Leadership Opportunities at destinations@girlscouts.org.

Parent/Guardian name: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ **Date:** _____

3a. For United States Girl Scouts Overseas: I verify that the applicant is a member of:

Location code: _____ **Registration area:** _____

USAGSO signature: _____ **Date:** _____

3b. Girl Scout Council verification: I verify that the above-named applicant is a registered member of:

Council authorized signature: _____

Position: _____ **Date:** _____



Girl Scout 2010 destinations Reference Form

Part I: To be completed by applicant.

Applicant's name:							
Name of Girl Scout council:							
Council address:							
City:		State:		Zip:			

I would appreciate it if you would complete this form and return it to the council address above by _____ (insert deadline date from your council).

Attached are the descriptions of the events I would like to attend. (**Girls: print descriptions from www.studio2b.org.**) Please attest to your knowledge of my abilities and interests related to these events.

1.		3.	
2.		4.	

Part II: To be completed by person giving the reference.

Your name:	
How long have you known the applicant?	
What is your relationship to the applicant?	

1. Check one rating in each category to assess the following qualities of the applicant.

	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5
Is dependable and responsible						Is able to relate well to adults					
Is able to share ideas and feelings						Is physically fit					
Is able to relate well to peers						Is able to work well in a group					
Has poise in meeting people						Is adaptable and flexible					
Accepts differences in people						Shows humor and spontaneity					

Note: 1 = Don't Know; 2 = Below Average; 3 = Average; 4 = Above Average; 5=Excellent

Applicant Name:	
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2. Describe the applicant's special strengths and/or skills that would enable her to enjoy and succeed in the event(s) of her choice. Please give specific examples. If more space is needed use additional sheets.

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Printed name:			
Signature:			
Position:		Date:	
Address:			
City:		State:	
E-mail:		Telephone #:	

Reference for destinations page 2—Please return to council named on page when completed.

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Financial Aid Information

Information for all Applicants

- Financial Assistance funds are supplementary. The Council expects each girl to earn some money towards her Destination and each family is expected to supplement this amount as much as possible to cover the event fees.
- Financial Assistance funds are based on financial need and/or special circumstances. Based on where a family qualifies, assistance can range from 20% up to 80% of a request.
- Financial Assistance funds are limited. The Council makes every effort to provide enough support so that no girl is denied participation in a Girl Scout experience due to lack of funds.
- Applicants may be eligible for Financial Assistance up to twice a year if the second experience is significantly different from the first.
- The Council offers payment plans. The payment schedule is negotiable.

Members from outside of Girl Scouts of Northern California

- Thanks to generous grant funding awarded to the council, Girl Scouts of Northern California is able to provide Financial Assistance and Travel funds to those who live in other councils.
- These funds are available to girls who need additional funding beyond what their own council has awarded them for Financial Assistance and Travel.
- Each girl who is awarded Travel funds is required to write an essay about their trip, experiences and lessons learned at the Destination within 2 weeks of the final day of the Destination.

To apply

- Complete the attached application. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Be sure to include proof of income. Return this top sheet with your application to:
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1310 S. Bascom Avenue
San Jose, CA 95128 or by fax at 408-287-8025
- Questions: Contact Marisa Cidre at mcidre@girlscoutsnorcal.org or (408) 287-4170, ext. 237

Girl Name: _____ **Council:** _____

- I am applying for a portion of the event fees. I can pay \$ _____.
- I have applied for financial assistance with my council and am in need of additional funding because no funding was awarded or : \$ _____ was awarded and more is needed.
(Out of council applicants only)
- I am applying for travel funds in the amount of \$ _____. (Out of council applicants only)
- I am applying for a payment plan. Please use a separate sheet of paper to describe the payment plan you would like to use. Please note that all payments must be completed prior to the event.
- A deposit of \$ _____ has been paid.



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Request for Financial Assistance

All information on this application is treated confidentially.

DO NOT USE THIS APPLICATION FOR RESIDENT CAMP

PLEASE SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE.

Name of Applicant	Day Phone	Evening Phone			
Address	City/State/Zip	Email Address			
Complete for Girl Applicants Only:					
Birth Date	Grade (if summer, grade in Fall)	School			
Girl lives with:	<input type="checkbox"/> One Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Two Parents <input type="checkbox"/> Guardian <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____				
First Parent/Guardian Name	Address if Different From Girl	Home Phone	Day-Time Phone		
Second Parent/Guardian Name	Address if Different From Girl	Home Phone	Day-Time Phone		
I am applying for financial assistance for:					
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult Event	<input type="checkbox"/> Council Event	<input type="checkbox"/> Choices Event	<input type="checkbox"/> Day Camp	<input type="checkbox"/> Destination	<input type="checkbox"/> Training
<input type="checkbox"/> Uniform	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (List): _____				
Name of event/training (If applicable)	Event Date	Event Location			
Have any required event deposits been made?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
Is applicant currently a registered Girl Scout?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	If Yes, Troop # _____		
Is she a Juliette/Independent Girl Scout?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes			
Has applicant applied for financial assistance from Girl Scouts this membership year (Oct to Sept)?	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	If yes, date of request? _____ Received assistance for _____		

The information below MUST be completed for all applicants and proof of income MUST be attached.

A. Income Categories (Check ALL that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/> Salaries	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Security
<input type="checkbox"/> Medi-Cal	<input type="checkbox"/> Child Support
<input type="checkbox"/> Disability	<input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment
<input type="checkbox"/> Investments	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain): _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Foster Care	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> AFDC	_____

B. Total annual family income:

<input type="checkbox"/> \$18,000 & below	<input type="checkbox"/> \$31,001-\$37,000
<input type="checkbox"/> \$18,001-\$24,500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$37,001-\$43,300
<input type="checkbox"/> \$24,501-\$27,500	<input type="checkbox"/> \$43,301-\$50,000
<input type="checkbox"/> \$27,501-\$31,000	<input type="checkbox"/> Over \$50,000

C. Number of family members living in the home: Total: _____ #Adults: _____ # Children: _____

D. Reason for this request? (use separate sheet if necessary)

E. Explain any special circumstances that may exist. (use separate sheet if necessary)

Event Fee:	\$ _____
Amount you can pay:	- \$ _____
Amount requested:	= \$ _____

I certify that all of the information on this application and the supporting documents are true and complete

Signature of Applicant or Parent/Guardian _____ **Date** _____