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TRAVEL THE CARIBBEAN



The International Award Association, a non-executive body that encourages and promotes the Award scheme throughout the world, is hosting the 2003 Summer Caribbean Expedition that is open to Congressional Award participants.

The Gold Level Expedition will take place July 26th - August 13th on the island of St. Vincent, located in the Eastern Caribbean about 90 miles west of Barbados, and the Grenadines, some 32 islands and cays stretching south from St. Vincent. The event will include a Community Service Project as well as a 4-day Expedition or "Adventurous Project." The Registration Fee is approximately \$200.00, and participants will also be responsible for their own flight to and from St Vincent.

St. Vincent and the Grenadines have gained a reputation for staging very exciting expeditions. The rolling terrain, deep valleys, plenteous waterways, lush green vegetation are a few of the characteristics that make this country the ideal location for persons who love to challenge themselves. All participants should come prepared with the right mindset, good attitude and decorum, to take on an exciting country and meet excitingly friendly people.

HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE?

The Congressional Award has been given the opportunity to send three Congressional Award participants AND two leaders. If interested, please submit an application to The Congressional Award National Office by April 1, 2003. The application can be found on our website. If you have any questions, please call us at 202-226-0130 or email us at information@congressionalaward.org.

CEREMONIES

NORTH CAROLINA



On February 19, 2003, Congressman Walter Jones (NC-03) presented a Silver Medal to Sarah Finch and Bronze Medals to Jonathan Stutts and Ryan Roberson. With the support of their Advisor, Paula Pruden-Macha, all three youth volunteered in and around the communities of Goldsboro and Black Creek. "I think this says a lot of good things about young people who are willing to work in the community and take on other projects," said Jones. "It's always a pleasure for me to be at a ceremony where I can present these medals... These children have to work very hard to achieve the medals."

NEW MEXICO



Representative Tom Udall (NM-03) presented a Bronze Medal to Marit Christensen of Los Alamos on February 19, 2003. "I'm proud to be able to present this award to Marit in recognition of her hard work," Udall said. "This program is a wonderful way for young adults to provide service to the community, work on personal goals and growth opportunities, and learn about their world in a positive manner." Marit, 16, volunteered with her Civil Air Patrol unit and at the Hope Pregnancy Center, a non-profit community service organization that gives aid and assistance to pregnant women.

The Gold Medal Ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, June 25.