



# TUSKEGEE AIRMEN INC.

47<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention 2018

“Excellence Overcomes All Obstacles”

August 9-11, 2018 J.W. Marriott Resort & Spa Las Vegas NV



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# 47th Annual Tuskegee Airmen National Convention

August 9 - 11, 2018

## CONVENTION EVENTS

Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. (TAI) makes it's triennial visit to the bright lights of Las Vegas for the 47th Annual Convention under the theme *"Excellence Overcomes All Obstacles"*. This return to the "Silver State" marks the 69th anniversary of the 332nd's historic conventional (propeller) class triumph at the then new United States Air Force's first-ever Weapons Meet in 1949, as well as celebrating the accomplishments of the Tuskegee Aviation Experience. In commemoration of this great milestone, a vast array of attendees – surviving Tuskegee Experience participants, organizational members, military and government personnel, as well as history enthusiasts and the general public are all expected to attend to conduct business, network and engage in career developing workshops and seminars, and celebrate the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen.

**General Sessions/Workshops:** In addition to the annual meeting of the membership of TAI, there will be a series of skill-based (leadership/development training) sessions to discuss topics facing organizational chapters and enhance internal management, processes and procedures.

**Military Forums/Presentations:** Concurrent with TAI functions and sessions, a series of targeted military forums and presentations are planned, relating to professional development and leadership as well as increasing minority participation in aviation, aerospace and technology.

**Special Events:** Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. will host an array of special events during the convention with keynote speaker luncheons, multiple informational breakout sessions organized by topic tracks, STEM-related youth activities, and corporate, military and vendor exhibits.

**Exhibition Hall:** Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. (TAI) will host an Exhibition Hall throughout the convention that will contain corporate, military, educational and informational exhibitors and vendors displaying leading edge capabilities, information and merchandise. The Exhibition Hall will be open on Thursday, August 9 - 11, 2018 and remain open throughout each day of the convention.

**Grand Gala Banquet:** The crowning event of the convention will be the Grand Gala held in the Capitol Ballroom. This formal multi-course dinner is attendee's most-highly anticipated event during which Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. honors individuals, organizations and companies for their exemplary support of TAI and its goals and objectives. The gala also includes recognition of the organization's esteemed Brigadier General Noel F. Parrish Award and recently established Lumuel R. Custis Outstanding Service Award honorees.

Multiple sponsor opportunities are available by contacting the TAI Convention website at [www.taiconvention.com](http://www.taiconvention.com).

Your contributions supporting the goals of TAI are tax-deductible.

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Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. (TAI) is a non-political, non-military, non-profit 501c(3) national organization existing to motivate and inspire young Americans to become participants in our nation's society and its democratic process; to support young men and women pursuing excellence, with special attention to those interested in careers in aviation or aerospace; and to keep alive the history and accomplishments of America's first black military pilots, bombardiers, navigators and support personnel trained during World War II, now known as the Tuskegee Airmen.

Originating from an informal annual reunion in 1972, membership in TAI is now spread across the nation in fifty-six chapters with members participating in dozens of professional, technical and aviation programs, and community service initiatives.

Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. is dedicated to:

Honoring the accomplishments and history of black Americans who participated in air crew, ground crew and operations support in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Introducing young people across the nation to the world of aviation, science, technology, engineering and math-related curriculum through local chapter, regional and national programs.

Providing educational assistance awards and scholarships to aid college-bound high school students nationwide.



TAI also sponsors an awards program for outstanding active duty, Guard And Reserve personnel of all services and Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) cadets; and recognizes individuals, groups and companies whose deeds lend support to TAI's goals and objectives.

TAI holds an annual convention with business sessions as well as professional development workshops. This highly anticipated event is unlike any other, drawing hundreds of attendees from across the nation from civilian, corporate and military communities.

TAI Convention 2018 will be a great opportunity for current and future aviators as well as aviation enthusiasts to hear historical accounts first hand from American aviation pioneers, and for TAI to impart the values that allowed the Airmen to be successful despite insurmountable odds – honor, integrity, tenacity, perseverance, and bravery – on those who attend.

## 2018 CONVENTION VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Please complete the entire application.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Current or Most Recent Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Web Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an TAI Member?  Yes  No If Yes, Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:  Under 18 years of age  At least 18 years of age

Birth Month/Day (please do not include year): \_\_\_\_\_

1. Areas of Volunteer Interest\* (check all that apply):

Pre-Convention  Airport Greeter  Hotel Greeter  Escort

Registration Aide  Info Booth  Event Ticket Taker  Event Usher

Protocol  Security  Youth Activities  General

Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

2. How many hours a week are you available for volunteering?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. When are you available?

Mornings  Afternoons  Evenings  As Needed

Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

4. What day(s) are you available?

Sunday  Monday  Tuesday  Wednesday  Thursday  Friday  Saturday

5. What skills, training or knowledge do you wish to utilize as a volunteer (if any):

\_\_\_\_\_

**(\*) NOTICE: No person who has been convicted of, or with an unresolved accusation of, any sexual misconduct will be permitted to be involved in any educational or youth-related activities.**

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**VOLUNTEER APPLICATION (CONTINUED)**

6. Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor crime? [ ] Yes [ ] No

If Yes, please explain (TAI reserves the right to deny or restrict event attendance or volunteer opportunity; based upon but not limited to NOTICE on previous page, conviction record or other background check information, related to the area being applied for; or as deemed in the best interest of the organization and to protect its social and legal liabilities):

7. How did you learn about TAI and our volunteer opportunities?

8. What interested you in being a volunteer for TAI?

9. Please provide two (2) personal or professional references:

Name	Phone	Relationship
1. _____		
2. _____		

I hereby attest that the above information is factual to the best of my knowledge and understand that if offered a volunteer opportunity, falsified statements on this application may result in dismissal from my volunteer position. I further understand that, for certain activities, additional data may be required for use in required background checks. It is also expressly agreed and understood between any volunteer and TAI, that TAI or its agents shall be under no liability for loss of, or damage to goods and property, nor shall TAI or its agents be held liable for personal injuries to volunteers. Each volunteer, upon signing this agreement, expressly releases TAI or agents from and agrees to hold TAI harmless from all such actions. Under this Hold Harmless Clause volunteer further agrees to indemnify TAI or its agents against any and all claims arising out of the negligent acts or omissions of the volunteer, their agents or associates in the course of volunteer service. Volunteer further warrants that they will obey all rules, regulations and laws of those in authority within TAI, the city of Las Vegas, Nevada and the J. W. Marriott Las Vegas Resort and Spa.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN BECOMING A TAI VOLUNTEER!**

**Please return completed application (to be received no later than June 15, 2018):**

By e-mail (as attachment) to: [info@taiconvention.com](mailto:info@taiconvention.com) (include Volunteer-2018 in subject line)

By standard mail to: Tuskegee Airmen Inc. ATTN: Volunteer-2018 P.O. Box 301 Schertz, TX 78154



**FOR TAI USE ONLY**

Date Application Rec'd \_\_\_\_\_ Reference(s) Contacted \_\_\_\_\_ Background Check \_\_\_\_\_  
Pursuant to terms and conditions set forth herein, TAI hereby [ ] accepts [ ] does not accept above named volunteer applicant (check here [ ] if due to reference and/or background check) for specific duty/services of \_\_\_\_\_ and/or as required during or in support of the TAI 47th Annual National Convention, to be held August 9 - 11, 2018 , at the J. W. Marriott Las Vegas Resort and Spa, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Authorization Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

