



For young people who **inspire** the lives of others

**News release**

## **Dundee young role models honoured with Diana Award by Lord Provost**

### **Presentation of the Diana Award and Diana Certificate of Excellence City Chambers, Dundee : 2.00pm, 16 June 2009**

Twenty seven inspirational young people from Dundee will be presented with the Diana Award and Diana Certificate of Excellence, by the Lord Provost John Letford, at a special Award Ceremony on Tuesday 16 June 2009. Ten young people will be presented with the Diana Award and seventeen young people with the Diana Certificate of Excellence.

The Diana Award gives public recognition to outstanding young people who make selfless contributions to their communities and invest a huge amount of energy and compassion to improve the lives of others. The Diana Certificate of Excellence recognises the outstanding contribution of young people who work together in groups to improve their communities, organisations or schools.

Both awards are valued highly by their holders because they never expect to receive this kind of recognition for their work. Receipt of the Award benefits young people in two additional ways – it acts as a differentiator, highlighting their qualities to employers, educational and other organisations, and it gives them access to a rapidly developing alumni programme to support their personal development and their continuing involvement in community projects.

Lord Provost John Letford, says: "The young people who have taken part in the Diana Award in Dundee are a credit to this city and their efforts are inspirational. Dundee has so many young people who are willing to give something back and make a positive contribution to society. They have displayed dedication and commitment and we are all very proud of them."

Maggie Turner, Chief Executive of the Diana Award, says:

“The Diana Award captures and channels the energy, enthusiasm and commitment of young people to maximise their impact as a force for good in society. It identifies positive role models that challenge existing stereotypes of young people, and gives them recognition at a time when their life choices are still to be made, encouraging them to develop their full potential. Within communities and schools across Scotland there will be young people who have done something wonderful and we welcome nominations.”

*To make a nomination* visit [www.diana-award.org.uk](http://www.diana-award.org.uk) or tel. 0845 3372987

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