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Upper Midwest Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences

The Upper Midwest Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS) is a membership organization dedicated to excellence in television by honoring exceptional work, past and present; providing professional development and outreach; and nurturing the next generation of television professionals.

The NATAS is the only professional association representing television professionals from all disciplines of the industry, serving as the common meeting ground for individuals dedicated to advancing the art and science of television.

Membership and Benefits of the Upper Midwest Chapter

Joining NATAS only costs \$50 and benefits include:

- Reduced member fees for Emmy Award entries and awards banquet
- Invitations to NTA educational workshops and professional seminars
- Opportunity to become a member of the Chapter's Governing Board
- Opportunity to judge other Chapters' Emmy Award entries

Scholarship Program

The Upper Midwest Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences awards scholarships to high school seniors interested in a career in television, broadcasting or electronic media. Eligible students are pursuing higher education in broadcasting, television or electronic media curriculum; have demonstrated qualities of leadership, creativity, and passion; and have a solid GPA. To date, the Upper Midwest Chapter of NATAS has handed out 38 scholarships valued at \$75,500.

One-on-One Mentorship Program

One-on-One is a professional mentoring program for National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences members. Mentors include Emmy Award winning professionals from all disciplines, both on camera and behind the scenes. Each One-on-One mentee receives a senior level mentor who commits his or her time, energy and skill to the one-on-one partnership during the program year.