



Meet GSGLA's National Gold Award Girl Scout Finalists

Celebration continues for the outstanding work, service, and advocacy provided by Gold Award Girl Scouts in earning the highest honor in Girl Scouts. As community champions, changemakers, innovators, thought leaders, and trailblazers, these young women have and continue to make positive impacts in our communities and our world.

Along with honoring the amazing girls and their work, each year, ten exceptionally inspiring Gold Award Girl Scouts are chosen from thousands of award recipients across the country to be National Gold Award Girl Scouts. This honor is given to Girl Scout Seniors and Ambassadors whose Gold Award projects not only demonstrated leadership and measurable and sustainable impact on a challenge or issue, but elevated the cause and effort to extraordinary levels.

Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles (GSGLA) nominated three outstanding local Gold Award Girl Scouts for the national honor among the 294 amazing young women who make up the council's 2020 Gold Award class. These GSGLA finalists—Ariana, Thrisha, and Vivian—focused their projects and exceptional leadership to challenge beauty standards, combat sexual harassment, and champion mental health, respectively.

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VIVIEN BLACK

TEEN MISOPHONIA: AWARENESS AND SUPPORT

Hello, I am Vivien. Through my Gold Award project I chose to make a difference in my community by creating a documentary about teens with the little-known condition Misophonia in order to raise awareness, provide coping resources, and help teens feel less alone.



THRISHA SENTHILNATHAN

WE RISE ABOVE

Hello, I am Thrisha. My Gold Award project addressed the issue of lack of education/prevention of sexual harassment in highschools by creating a program that many of the local school districts are now using to teach students about the realities of sexual harassment, how to identify it, different body language and self defense moves, and ways to help prevent it.



ARIANA MARDANI

INSPIRING CONFIDENCE THROUGH HEALTH AND FRIENDSHIP

Hello, I am Ariana. My Gold Award project addressed the issue of young kids looking up to unhealthy beauty standards which can create a lack of confidence. I taught them to find confidence and happiness within themselves and their peers.