



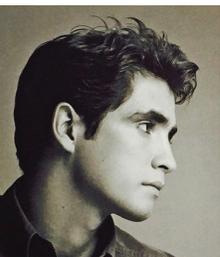
# Pedro Zamora

## YOUNG LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP

A PROGRAM OF THE NATIONAL AIDS MEMORIAL GROVE

### Who was Pedro Zamora?

Pedro was a Cuban-American AIDS



educator who was one of the first openly gay men with AIDS to be portrayed in popular

media. Zamora brought international attention to HIV/AIDS and LGBT issues and prejudices through his appearance on MTV's reality television series, *The Real World: San Francisco*. He died in 1994 at the age of 22. The National AIDS Memorial Grove is committed to ensuring that Pedro's legacy continues and thrives through this scholarship program, and that his life and example will be an aspirational point of reference for a new generation of leaders.

Dedicated to the continuing legacy of AIDS educator and activist Pedro Zamora, this scholarship supports the academic efforts of emerging young leaders who share Pedro's passionate commitment to ending the HIV/AIDS pandemic.

The Pedro Zamora Young Leaders Scholarship is meant to support and spotlight those young leaders from *this* generation, whose leadership carries the torch of young activists like Pedro who fought the HIV/AIDS epidemic of *their* generation, in ways inspired by their own passions, insights, creativity and conviction.

*“The Pedro Zamora Young Leaders Scholarship is a wonderful program that has helped me continue my undergraduate education and reiterated the importance of my role as a young professional in achieving an AIDS-free generation. I am honored to have received the scholarship in the name of someone so inspirational to young people. Now I'm more motivated to make a difference—and you can be the change too!”*

—Alexander Pacach, 2014 Recipient

**Who should apply?** To be competitive, scholarship applicants might be engaged in a wide variety of HIV/AIDS efforts both in school and/or their communities. Examples include (but are not limited to): serving in peer-education and prevention programs; working in the reproductive-health and sexual health field; pursuing a medical degree to work with HIV-positive individuals; international service providing AIDS-related care and/or

HIV-prevention education; research or established and emerging technologies designed to mitigate the epidemic; or activism and social change efforts that address issues contributing to the epidemic, such as education and drug sentencing reform, employment and economic justice issues, housing and homelessness.

**Application and personal statements are due Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at 5 p.m. PST.**

**Essay, letter(s) of recommendation, and transcripts must be received by 5 p.m. PST on Friday, June 30, 2017.**



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