

Rice Young Alumni

Detailed Information:

Houston Young Alumni Committee Programs

2011-2012

***The Houston Young Alumni Committee Helps Shape Your Young Alumni Programs***

The Houston Young Alumni Committee represents the over 2,300 Rice undergrad young alums in Houston. Our goal is to serve all Houston Young Alumni through events and opportunities that promote interaction, education community involvement and cultural experiences. We meet every other month for Board meetings and provide numerous events throughout the year.

**2011-2012 Houston Young Alumni Committee Goals**

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***Social and Membership***

We work to make Homecoming and Beer Bike memorable weekends through hosting Thursday night beer tastings, Friday Volcano events and Saturday tailgates. We welcome all young alums back to Houston on those special weekends.

Builder’s Award is an honor that we annually bestow to honor outstanding young alumni and his or her investment in the Rice Community.

Alumni Connection is a new program that we have just begun to increase young alumni interaction with current students and with older alums.

We work with other organizations on campus to co-host informative panels and special events. This Spring, we will host a series of panels and professional enhancement courses.

***Culture, Education and Service***

We promote and assist educational efforts on Rice campus and in the Houston Community to augment our Rice education, making us more informed and well rounded stewards of the Rice Community.

The Rice Young Alumni Houston Connection introduces or reacquaints young alumni to Houston’s cultural and philanthropic organizations to encourage our peers to continue our education and to enable us to make a lasting impact in the community. Through this program, alums can attend museums and events at no charge or for a greatly reduced rate, take part in special behind the scenes educational events and engage with established philanthropic groups to serve our community. Organizations we are engaged with include the Houston Museum of Natural Science, the Museum of Fine Arts Houston, the Houston Symphony and Broadway Across America. For details of these relationships, see the Rice Young Alumni Perks Page (insert pdf link) and visit the Houston Young Alumni Events List Page (insert PDF link) for details on our next outings.

RSVP Alliance allows us to work with the established Rice volunteer group to complete a service project with current students, offering not only a helping hand to Houston, but also a mentorship opportunity to younger Owls.

Rice Young Alumni Book Club is one of the firs programs young alums developed in \_\_\_\_\_. We meet to discuss books running the gamut from non-fiction to the classics to the newest best seller. We read the campus-wide read and try to recruit authors and guest speakers to help lead the conversation. Even if you can’t attend the discussion, stay on top of your book list by reading along!

Professor Connection enables us to engage with some of our best on-campus resources—the faculty. Many of the great leaders are our mentors and friends. We hope that this program will help to keep us up to date on the newest research in our fields of study and to strengthen our relationship with campus.

***General Management***

We are working to provide Young Alumni with accurate and effective tools including the Young Alumni Handbook that lists many of the perks, services and opportunities that you earn as a Rice graduate. We are working with the ARA to enhance communication with Young Alumni through a re-developed website.

We also set the Young Alumni calendar and put many of the programs in place.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at any time. We are here to serve YOU, our classmates and peers. We welcome your comments, criticism and concerns. Email your Young Alumni Committee representatives in Houston [youngalumnihouston@alumni.rice.edu](mailto:youngalumnihouston@alumni.rice.edu)