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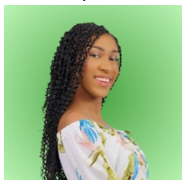


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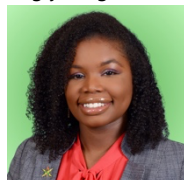
## Awardees & Finalists Announced for 2024 SCC Madam C.J. Walker Scholarship

**New York, NY** — The Society of Cosmetic Chemists (SCC) is pleased to announce the 2024 Awardees and Finalists for the SCC Madam C.J. Walker Scholarship, generously sponsored by [Mary Kay](#).

The Scholarship Selection Committee has awarded each of these two outstanding young scientists with a \$5,000 scholarship:

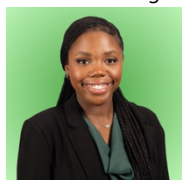


**Karissa Richards**  
*University of Toledo*  
(Undergraduate student, Cosmetic Science and Formulation Design)

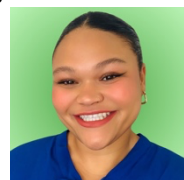


**Taylor Scott**  
*University of Cincinnati*  
(Graduate student, Cosmetic Science Master of Science Program)

The two Finalists recognized by the Committee this year for their outstanding achievements are:



**Lauren Forney**  
*Spelman College*  
(Undergraduate student, Health Science)



**Holly Honoré**  
*University of Cincinnati*  
(Graduate student, Cosmetic Science Master of Science Program)

Awardees and Finalists receive a financial support package to attend the [SCC's 78th Annual Scientific Meeting & Showcase](#) in Los Angeles, California, where they will be recognized on-stage during the Annual Awards Breakfast on December 13, 2024 and have the opportunity to present their research via poster in the Showcase.

"This year's scholarship applicants were another impressive and accomplished group," said Erica L. O'Grady, CAE, Chief Executive Officer of the Society. "These honorees truly embody the spirit and legacy of Madam C.J. Walker, and we are pleased to recognize their achievements and look forward to their industry contributions to come."

### About the Scholarship

Established in 2021, the Madam C.J. Walker Scholarship, sponsored by [Mary Kay](#), awards two (2) \$5,000 scholarships to specific under-represented minority students of any gender identity pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in chemical, physical, medical, pharmaceutical, biological, or related sciences and technology with an interest in pursuing a career in the cosmetics and personal care industry. Visit <https://www.scconline.org/About/Awards/Madam-CJ-Walker-Scholarship> for more information.

### About SCC

Founded in 1945, the SCC is the oldest and largest non-profit membership organization serving the cosmetics and personal care industry. Dedicated to the advancement of cosmetic science, SCC headquarters provides unparalleled education, resources, and networking for more than 5,000 members globally and via 19 chapters across Greater North America. Visit [www.scconline.org](http://www.scconline.org) for more information.

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