



# JANUSZ KORCZAK ASSOCIATION OF THE USA

*welcomes you as a Member of our Association*

Janusz Korczak (1878/9-1942), a Polish-Jewish pediatrician, children's writer, educator, father of progressive orphanages and children's rights, is well known all over the world and yet most Americans have never heard of him. The purpose of the Janusz Korczak Association of the USA is to disseminate information about his life and work, his humanism and his sacrifice. Through our practical work with children at the Shining Mountain, we strive to follow the Fundamental Rights of the Child. For example:

- 1. The Right to One's Own Life** – we help educators and parents to create a safe environment for children to discover things on their own while allowing sufficient space, literally and spiritually.
- 2. The Right to Live in the Present** – We want to prepare children for the future but children yearn to live in the here and now – therefore we support their need for play and relaxation.
- 3. The Right to Be Himself or Herself** – We ask to accept children the way they are, with their talents and shortcomings.

With your help, we plan to translate Korczak's most important pedagogical writings, promote advanced courses for teachers on his educational philosophy, establish Korczak's camp in the US and strive for the US ratification of the 1989 United Nations "Convention on the Rights of the Child."

Please let us know if you would like to receive information on how you can help with the following activities:

- \_\_\_ Children's Project based on Korczak's books and his legacy
- \_\_\_ Korczak Exhibit and lectures for parents and children
- \_\_\_ Korczak inspired conference at the Seattle Pacific University in August 2018
- \_\_\_ Workshops and lectures for parents and educators on Korczak's pedagogy
- \_\_\_ Five Star Program® training for your school or organization

MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM

Membership includes regular news updates that focus on putting Korczak's philosophy into action along with suggestions and strategies for creating a harmonious childhood for children in our lives. You will be kept abreast of latest US and international Korczak activities with a possibility to join in those activities with various groups and organizations.

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City, State, \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
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email address \_\_\_\_\_

I am: ( ) a student ( ) an educator ( ) a parent  
( ) other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to support the Janusz Korczak Association of the USA. Enclosed is my donation or membership contribution:

**Basic Membership (annual):**

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$15 (student/senior)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 (individual)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$40 (Family)
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$75 (organization/corporation)

**Benefactor Membership:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 - \$249 Friend
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$250 - \$499 Associate
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$500 - \$999 Patron
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$1000+ Founder Circle

Please make your check payable to Janusz Korczak Association of the USA and mail it with your completed form to:

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*Thank you for your commitment.*

*There is power in numbers and your participation gives us strength to continue creating a more peaceful and happy childhood for all children.*

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