Illinois Art Education Association
2020 Graduate Student Scholarship

Objective

The purpose of the Illinois Art Education Association (IAEA) is the improvement and advancement of visual arts education in schools, communities, and museums throughout Illinois. It is the intent of the IAEA Graduate Student Scholarship to fulfill this purpose by recognizing the outstanding scholastic achievement of its members. The IAEA Graduate Student Scholarship is available for members that have sought to enhance their professional excellence and contribution to the field of art education through advanced coursework. More specifically, this scholarship intends to support graduate students that seek to promote and maintain the highest possible quality of instruction in visual arts programs across Illinois. IAEA members applying for this scholarship are eligible to receive a $1000.00 scholarship for their graduate education.

Criteria For Scholarship Applicants

○ The applicant is an Illinois resident and a declared full time graduate student (9 or more semester hours) enrolled in an institution of higher learning in Illinois.
○ The applicant holds an active Illinois Art Education Association membership during the year of application and during the year in which a scholarship would be received.
○ The applicant intends to be enrolled in educational course work during the fall semester an awarded scholarship will be administered.
○ The applicant must have a grade point average of at least a 3.5.
○ Past applicants and scholarship awardees may reapply for this opportunity.

Scholarship Application Requirements

The following will constitute a full and complete application:

○ Completed application form
○ Official graduate level grade transcripts
○ Personal statement describing your rationale for pursuing graduate education along with your career goals. (One page maximum length).
○ Professional resume that includes work experiences, leadership (including IAEA activities), exhibitions, and other honors. (One page maximum length).
○ Two letters of professional and/or academic recommendation
○ Digital portfolio that includes visual production and/or publications record. Digital Visual art, design, and media should not exceed 15 total works and should represent a variety of media. For publications, include a list and abstracts, but do not exceed 15 total works. Additionally, for publications, include 1 full writing sample.
Submission Requirements

All six of the above requirements must be included for an application to be considered complete. Incomplete applications will be disqualified and not be reviewed by the Grant and Scholarship Committee.

Applications can either be submitted digitally or as a hard copy.

- Digital submissions should be compiled and submitted as a single pdf document.
- Hard copy submissions should still include a digital portfolio that can be saved to a USB drive. Images should be saved as .jpeg or .png; video as .avi, .mov, or .mp4. File images must be identified with name of applicant and number (e.g., Smith_001; Smith_002; . . .). Please include, as a hard copy, a contact sheet that identifies and labels submitted images and/or videos. Hard copy submissions must be postmarked by the deadline date or will be disqualified. Hard copy submissions should use standardized USPS mail only. Certified mail and UPS cannot be accepted, will be returned, and will be ineligible for review. For the return of a hard copy application, please include a self-addressed, stamped 10”x 12” envelope with adequate postage.

All materials must be clearly labeled and, if applicable, carefully packaged. Late applications will be disqualified and not be reviewed by the scholarship committee.

Application Review and Scoring

The Grant and Scholarship Committee will review all eligible applications. Applications are scored in the following way:

- Service to the IAEA and to the professional field (20%)
- Demonstrated achievement in professional experience (20%)
- Personal statement (20%)
- Recognized excellence in creative production and/or scholarship (demonstrated in portfolio submissions, acceptance to exhibitions, and publications of scholarship) (20%)
- Recommendations (20%)

Award Procedure

The $1000 graduate scholarship will be placed on deposit with the bursar of the award recipient’s educational institution. The stipend will be effective for a 12 month period beginning in the fall of this year. The scholarship will be used for tuition, books, or art materials. At the end of the 12 month period, remaining funds will be dispersed to the recipient for additional educational expenses.

Scholarship Recipient Obligations

A scholarship recipient is expected to maintain IAEA membership for 2 years. The recipient will contribute to the IAEA’s mission by presenting at the annual Statewide Conference or contributing to an IAEA publication in the year following an award. Scholarship recipients agree to allow the IAEA to publish submitted images for promotional purposes.
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Application

*Please type or print neatly*

Name:

Summer address:

Cell Phone:

Primary email:

School email:

School attending:

School ID or SSN:

Bursar’s name:

Bursar’s phone:

Bursar address:
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Semester hours currently enrolled:

Current Grade Point Average:

References:

I hold an active IAEA membership. □ Yes
Membership is required for scholarship consideration and you may join at http://ilaea.org/membership

I agree to present at the IAEA state conference and/or write an article for the IAEA if I am awarded this IAEA scholarship. □ Yes

I agree to allow the IAEA to publish submitted images for promotional purposes. □ Yes

For digital submissions, email: vicepresident@ilaea.org


For hard copy submissions, mail to:
Chris Grodoski
IAEA Vice President
211 East Franklin Street
Wheaton, IL 60187


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