



Manchester Artists Association Scholarship Instructions

To be eligible for this scholarship a student:

1. Must be a member of the graduating class in June of 2009 from one of Manchester's High Schools or sponsored by a current member of the Manchester Artists Association. (Any senior student from New Hampshire may apply)
2. Must be accepted to an accredited art school, college or university and intend to pursue a career in applied or fine arts.
3. Must complete or provide the following:
 - A. An application provided by the Manchester Artists Association. (A copy of a letter that verifies the student's acceptance to an accredited college or university will be required from the student prior to payment of any scholarship award money.)
 - B. A narrative written by the student telling about himself or herself and their interest in Art. (500 (minimum) to 1000 (maximum) words) This is intended as a creative writing exercise.
 - C. A letter of recommendation from a member of your high school's faculty. **This must be from someone other than an art teacher.**
 - D. If sponsored by an MAA member in good standing, you must include a letter of recommendation from that member with your application.
 - E. Photos, slides or reduced color copies of three pieces of work in any medium that represent artwork completed during your High School career. These will only be returned to you if a S.A.S.E. is enclosed. Please do not submit original artwork. (The Manchester Artists Association is not responsible for lost or misplaced entries.) For three-dimensional art please include photos that clearly show all sides of the piece. Please provide a list with these images that outlines medium, size and title of each piece.

Your submission must be postmarked no later that May 1, 2009.

Please send your completed packet to:

**Attn: Scholarship Committee
Manchester Artists Association
P.O. Box 636
Manchester, NH 03105**

The Selection Process

A committee made up of volunteers from the Manchester Artists Association will meet and review all submissions. Applicants will be chosen and will be contacted to schedule interviews. This committee will interview the final candidates and select the recipient.

If chosen for an interview, you will be required to bring five or ten finished pieces of work or a portfolio illustrating the same number of pieces. You will be asked to sit for a fifteen to twenty minute interview with the committee.

All work should be presented in a professional format. Work should be mounted and matted with clean well cut mattes.

Criteria

Student's work will be judged on their artistic expression as well as their unique depiction of subject matter, drawing ability, composition, use of color, detail, technical ability and overall presentation.

The Show

Candidates who are chosen for the interview process will be asked to display their work at our annual ***Art Affair in the Country***, to be held in Bedford during the month of June. (Date, Time and Location to be announced) This is a great way to showcase your talent and should be viewed as one of the major accomplishments in your high school art career. The scholarship will be announced during the awards ceremony at this show around 1:00 pm.

If the chosen recipient fails to participate in the exhibit then the scholarship will go to the next qualified individual.

Further details about the show and contact information will be provided to the students chosen for the interview process.