

OKLAHOMA STATE FAIR VISUAL ARTS SCHOLARSHIP 2018 Guidelines

The Visual Arts Scholarship is designed to promote art education for Oklahoma's youth. This opportunity is provided to graduating high school seniors who will be attending an accredited college/university in the fall.

The purpose of the scholarship is to:

- Encourage students to continue their development in a visual arts field of study.
- Recognize the overall achievements of the students.
- Reward programs participating in the Oklahoma Student Art Exhibition (OSAE).
- Award three (3) outstanding Oklahoma students with a \$1,500 scholarship to be used toward tuition, books and/or other school needs.

Applicant Eligibility:

- Applicant must be an Oklahoma student receiving a high school diploma for the 2017-2018 school year.
- Applicant's school must have participated in the 2016 and/or 2017 OSAE.
- Applicant must pursue a college education at an accredited college or university in a visual arts related field of study (major or minor). *Note: acceptable fields of study include, but are not limited to: drawing, painting, sculpting, architectural design, art education, graphic design, gaming and film production.*
- Applicant must be a legal resident of Oklahoma.

Application Requirements:

- Applicant must complete the online application, with all required materials included, by the deadline - March 15, 2018.
- Applicant must provide a portfolio with six (6) to eight (8) pieces of work in a .jpg format with file titles indicating the medium and size of piece.
- Applicant must provide two (2) letters of recommendation; at least one (1) must be from a teacher or school administrator.

Application/Awards Process:

1. Applications open in January 2018. Applications may be submitted at any time once the application is posted at <http://www.okstatefair.com/content/oklahoma-student-art-exhibition>.
2. Applications must be submitted online no later than 5 p.m. on March 15, 2018.
3. Finalist interviews will be scheduled with the selection committee.
4. All scholarship applicants will be notified of their status by email no later than April 14, 2018.
5. The Visual Arts Scholarship selection committee will determine the winner.
6. Scholarship award money will be sent directly to the recipients after receipt of enrollment verification from their chosen schools.
7. Recipients will be asked to provide a current headshot for the OSAE program, in the event that a scholarship is awarded.

Application Checklist:

Be prepared to upload the following items when submitting your online application:

1. Signed letter from school counselor with current GPA
2. Portfolio with six (6) to eight (8) pieces of artwork in .jpg format
3. Essays for the two (2) topics listed
4. Two (2) letters of recommendation

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