

2021 Oklahoma State Fair

Oklahoma Student Art Exhibition

Visual Arts Scholarship Program Guidelines

The Oklahoma State Fair Visual Arts Scholarship is part of the Oklahoma Student Art Exhibition (OSAE) program and designed to promote visual arts education for Oklahoma's youth. This opportunity is provided to seniors graduating from high school and attending an accredited college or university in the fall. The purpose of the scholarship is to:

- Encourage students to continue their development in a visual arts related field of study.
- Reward programs participating in the OSAE.
- Award five outstanding Oklahoma students with a scholarship (3 @ \$1,500 and 2 @ \$500) to be used toward tuition, books and other school needs.

Applicant Eligibility

- Applicant must be an Oklahoma student receiving a high school diploma for the 2020-2021 school year.
- Applicant's school who participated in the 2019 and/or 2020 OSAE will receive priority. It is not required for the applicant to have been involved in the OSAE.
- Applicant must graduate from high school during the year of application and pursue a college education (major or minor) in a visual arts related field of study such as Drawing, Painting, Sculpting, Architectural Design, Arts Education, Graphic Design, Gaming, Film Production, etc.
- Applicant must show proof of acceptance into an accredited college or university before checks may be issued.
- Applicant must be a legal resident of the State of Oklahoma.

Application Requirements

- Applicant must complete the application form online. Application and all required materials must be received by the deadline of Monday, April 2, 2021.
- Applicant must provide a portfolio with 6 – 8 pieces of work in a .jpg format with file titles that indicate medium and size of piece.
- Applicant must provide two letters of recommendation. At least one must be from a teacher or school administrator.
- Applicant must provide a current head shot photograph to be used for promotional purposes in the event that a scholarship is awarded.

Application / Awards Process

- The application process begins in January 2021. Applications may be submitted at any time once the application is emailed to the qualifying schools' counselors and/or art teachers.
- The Scholarship Selection Committee will review all applications, pick five finalists, and then determine the scholarship allocations.
- All scholarship applicants will be notified of their status by email no later than Thursday, April 15, 2021.
- Scholarship award monies will be sent directly to the recipients after receipt of enrollment verification from the chosen school.

Application Materials Checklist

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

- Current headshot of applicant
- Signed letter from school counselor with current GPA
- Portfolio with 6 – 8 pieces of artwork in .jpg format
- Essays for the two (2) topics listed
- Two (2) letters of recommendation

For questions, please contact creativeprograms@okstatefair.com or Morgan Chappell at 405-948-6731.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE BY 5 p.m. on FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 2021.