



Wickford Art Association

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2021 Scholarship Program

Dear High School Art Educator:

The Wickford Art Association (WAA) and Rhode Island Art Education Association (RIAEA) would like to invite you to participate in a scholarship opportunity for graduating senior art students. This resume-enhancing scholarship is being offered statewide to students in public and public-charter high schools. Due to the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic and its ongoing effects of all our programs, the format of the 2021 Scholarship Program has been modified as follows:

- ***NEW*** Each high school may choose **up to four** senior high school art students to apply, **one** in each medium.
- The mediums are: Drawing, Painting, 3-D and/or Mixed Media, Photography

All entrants will receive a complementary one-year student membership to WAA, making them eligible for member-only exhibits, discounts on classes and juried exhibit registrations. One student in each category will be selected to receive a cash scholarship from the [Wickford Art Association](#) and [RIAEA](#). The amount of these scholarships is still pending due to ongoing efforts to raise additional funds but will be at least \$500 each. These scholarship funds are intended to assist students with the cost of higher education and in particular, continued art studies at the collegiate level.

All four winners will be given the opportunity to display their submitted portfolio of work at Wickford Art Association's Gallery, celebrated with an opening awards ceremony on Tuesday- March 23, 2021; the exhibit will continue through Saturday- April 3, 2021.

Additionally, the four winning students are also invited to exhibit and sell their artwork during the nationally ranked 58th Wickford Art Festival on July 10 & 11, 2021. WAA will provide the students with booth and display space and the Festival Director will provide all further details following the Scholarship Program exhibit.

With art supplies and coursework being more expensive than ever before, the prospects of college may be difficult for aspiring young artists. This is a wonderful opportunity and with significant changes to the structure of this program detailed in the following application, our intention is to make it as inclusive as possible so more students can apply and benefit from preparation of a juried competition. We so look forward to seeing all the wonderful work our public high schools have to offer.

Applying for this scholarship is simple: please follow the directions listed below. If you have any questions you may contact Barbara Wunderler, RIAEA representative at bawunder@gmail.com or contact the WAA's Gallery Director, Catherine Gagnon at wickfordartassociation@gmail.com.

Thank you for supporting our emerging artists!

Sincerely,

Catherine Gagnon

Gallery Director
Wickford Art Association

Barbara Wunderler

Advocacy Chair
Rhode Island Art Education Association



2021 Scholarship Program GUIDELINES

Please review carefully, sign below and bring with application and artwork upon drop-off of work.

- Up to four high school seniors *per school* may apply with approval of their art educator.
- Each student must have already been accepted to, or be planning to attend, a college in Fall 2021.
- Each student must submit **three** (3) original works in **one** (1) medium; select from:
 1. Drawing
 2. Painting
 3. 3-D and/or Mixed Media
 4. Photography
- From each high school a **TOTAL** of 4 students may apply, **one** per medium!
- While matting and framing is **NOT** required, presentation will be considered during the jury process - students are asked to make best efforts to present works that can be easily displayed in a visually appealing manner.
- Student must be a senior with an interest in art enrolled at a RI public or public-charter high school.
- Winning students **must commit their work** to the gallery exhibition from March 23, 2021 through April 3, 2021 at the Wickford Art Association (see attached contract). NO EXCEPTIONS.

Drop-Off

- Artwork and completed application must be delivered to the Wickford Art Association: 36 Beach Street, North Kingstown, RI 02852.
- Work must be delivered on Thursday- March 18 (11am-4pm) or Friday- March 19 (11am-4pm).
- The student's artwork may be dropped off by the student, a parent/guardian, the student's art teacher.
- If the art educator is not a RIAEA/NAEA Member, a \$25.00 fee will be charged; checks made payable to RIAEA.
- Please complete the following application.

Pick-Up for Non-Winners

- Pick-up date for non-winners (Honorable Mentions) may occur on Sunday- March 21 (noon-3pm) or Monday- March 22 (noon-4pm) at the Wickford Art Association.
- The student's artwork may be collected by the student, a parent/guardian, or the student's art teacher.

Winning Students

- Reception and awards ceremony for scholarship recipients is Tuesday- March 23, 2021 at 6:30pm at the Wickford Art Association. Students are expected to attend to accept their award.
- Winning students **must commit** their work to the gallery's Scholarship Program exhibition from March 23, 2021 through April 3, 2021 at the Wickford Art Association.
- Pick-up date for winners may occur on Tuesday- April 6 (11am-6pm) or Wednesday- April 7 (11am-3pm) at the Wickford Art Association.
- The student's artwork may be collected by the student, a parent/guardian, or the student's art teacher.
- Winning students are asked to provide an Artist Statement of approximately 200 words explaining your inspiration, influences, and aspirations. This statement may be edited and will be displayed with the student's work during the exhibit.
- Award winners will receive a one-year membership to the WAA, inclusion in the Poetry & Art publication, and an invitation to exhibit and sell their artwork during the nationally ranked 58th Wickford Art Festival July 10 & 11, 2021.
- It is *highly encouraged* that winning students provide a note of appreciation to WAA & RIAEA, as these letters are important when considering the continued funding of such opportunities, as well as potential grant opportunities for both organizations.
- The WAA gallery is free to attend and open to the public.

Please sign here:

I, _____ *have read and understood the program guidelines.*
(Student Name Printed)

Student Signature *(if student is over 18)*

Student's Name Printed

Date

Guardian Signature *(if student is under 18)*

Guardian's Name Printed

Date



2021 Scholarship Program APPLICATION

Release /Authorization for Wickford Art Association

Please read the following contract carefully. This release is to be signed and returned along with other applicable forms to the Wickford Art Association (WAA) upon submission of work.

In consideration for participation in the Wickford Art Association Scholarship Program/Exhibits or otherwise, I agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Rhode Island Art Education Association, Wickford Art Association, program organizers, affiliates and sponsors for any and all claims, damage, omissions, costs and expenses while I am participating in above activities.

As a participant in the WAA Scholarship Program, I authorize WAA/RIAEA/any affiliates, assignees or licensees to use photographs of me, my art, video images and/or contest submissions for reproduction for promotional or illustrative purposes, and/or for display on our websites. I understand that the above activities will not result in any profit, and that I will not receive any monetary compensation. Permission is granted to make alterations to my artwork, and to use my name in editorial works or advertising.

The award recipient (student) is expected to loan the winning pieces of artwork to the WAA for the ENTIRE TERM of the exhibit. Winning work will be held from drop-off through the conclusion of the exhibit on Saturday- April 3, 2021, and collected Tuesday- April 6 (11am-6pm) or Wednesday- April 7 (11am-3pm)

The award recipient (student) is expected to exhibit in the 58th Wickford Art Festival on July 10 & 11, 2021.

The award recipient (student) is expected to attend the awards ceremony on Tuesday- March 23, 2020 in person to accept their award.

Any neglect to observe the terms of this contract may result in immediate withdrawal of the scholarship and all funds and prizes with which it is associated.

Student Signature (if student is over 18)

Student's Name Printed

Date

Guardian Signature (if student is under 18)

Guardian's Name Printed

Date

The undersigned acknowledges that the competition addressed by this release is completely VOLUNTARY. Winning students should expect contact by the gallery at some point in the year following their award. This is a means of documenting how the student has allocated the scholarship program funds, in an effort to empower the WAA to apply for grants, contact potential donors, and otherwise use the information to pursue further funds to continue the scholarship.

WAA Scholarship Program Application

Please complete **all** sections. *Please print legibly or use Adobe fill & sign to complete.*

Student Information

Name (as you wish it to appear in all communications) _____

Student's Age (must be a senior in high school) _____

Home / Street Address _____

Home / City, State Zip Code _____

Home / Phone Number _____

Cell / Phone Number _____

Home / E-mail Address _____

School / E-mail Address _____

School / Current High School Name _____

School / School Street Address _____

School / City, State Zip Code _____

School / Phone Number _____

School / Principal's Name _____

School / College(s) to which you have been accepted _____

School / College to which you plan to attend _____

Art Educator Information

Art Educator Name (printed) _____

Art Educator Signature (indicating approval of application) _____

Art Educator E-Mail Address _____

Art Educator RIAEA Membership # (from card, if a member) _____

Note: All non-RIAEA member art educators can forward student work for this Scholarship Program, but a \$25 application fee is required payable to RIAEA. This fee can be paid through school funds, parent-teacher organizations, or the families of applying students, to be determined by the individual school/teacher.

Student / Guardian Signature of Acceptance for Participation

Student Signature (if student is over 18) Student's Name Printed Date

Guardian Signature (if student is under 18) Guardian's Name Printed Date

Student Artwork Submissions

Medium (check off one only)
_____ Drawing _____ 3-D and/or Mixed Media _____ Painting _____ Photography

Title of Work #1 _____

Title of Work #2 _____

Title of Work #3 _____

Student Artwork Registration Forms

A registration form must be attached to the back of each artwork submission.

Work #1	
<i>Student Name</i>	
<i>High School Name</i>	
<i>Title of Work</i>	
<i>Medium</i>	
<i>Approx. Date(s) of Completion</i>	

Work #2	
<i>Student Name</i>	
<i>High School Name</i>	
<i>Title of Work</i>	
<i>Medium</i>	
<i>Approx. Date(s) of Completion</i>	

Work #3	
<i>Student Name</i>	
<i>High School Name</i>	
<i>Title of Work</i>	
<i>Medium</i>	
<i>Approx. Date(s) of Completion</i>	

Artist Statement

*Please provide a 200-word or less Artist Statement explaining your inspiration, influences, and aspirations.
This statement may be edited but will be displayed with the student's work during the exhibit.
Preferably, please type, print, and attach, but if it is necessary to handwrite, please do so legibly.*