

## THE MYERS SCHOOL OF ART STUDIO SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

### REQUIREMENTS:

1. This competition is open to all DECLARED BA and BFA art majors who are currently enrolled in at least 6 credits of 7100 art studio and/or art history. Applicants must have completed at least 3 credits of art studio/art history during the fall at the Myers School of Art to apply. Art minors and graduate students are not eligible. Applicants must need to take at least 12 more credits to get their degree.
2. Applicants must have
  - a. a total University of Akron grade point average of at least 2.7 (B-)
  - b. an ART grade point average of at least 3.3 (B+). This includes grades from all art studio and art history courses taken at The University of Akron only (not other schools)
3. Awards made in spring will be available for the following school year. Awards will be equally divided between Fall and Spring. A student who does not enroll will forfeit all rights to this award. Funds are not available for summer. If you are graduating in fall, you may receive half of your award.
4. All art majors may apply for both the art studio and the art history awards.
5. Each scholarship winner is required to thank the donor(s) immediately. You will forfeit all rights to your award if a copy of your letter is not received by semester's end.

### PROCEDURES:

1. Complete the application form available in the front office. Forms will be available until the day the application is due.
2. Attach a copy of your entire grade transcript to the completed application form and turn it into the front office by 5:00 pm sharp. Entries that are late cannot be accepted. Print a copy of your transcript off of **zipline.uakron.edu**, INCLUDING EACH PAGE that lists art courses. The art office does not have copies. The records office will charge you \$10 and make you wait several days, use the web.

You must determine your own GPA and art GPA to be eligible. The art office does not have this information.

3. Eligible applicants will find their names listed on the gallery door on the following Monday at 9:00 a.m.
4. Applicants will set up their displays between the following Monday from 9 am to 9 pm and Tuesday, from 9 am to 9 pm.

Flat work need not be matted or framed, but standards of good presentation should be met. Spaces will be assigned by lottery. All work is exhibited at your own risk.

5. Applicants are expected to display a selection of their best work. In addition to class-instructed work, examples without instructor supervision may be included. HIGH SCHOOL WORK IS INELIGIBLE. Slides and discs are permitted, but are not a good idea. You must show at least 5 but no more than 20 pieces.

6. You must supply your own hammer, nails, thumb tacks, and push pins. Work should not hang more than 10' above the floor to insure visibility. Matted work may be stacked against the wall at floor level.

7. Displays will be judged by all full-time members of the faculty the day after the application is due.

8. Your work must be taken down and removed on FRIDAY of the setup week between 9:00 am and 9:00 pm. All nails, screws, tape, thumbtacks, etc. must be removed.

9. Winners will be announced at the Student Awards Ceremony in APRIL.

10. Write your donor a nice thank-you and let us see it before you mail it (see above)

**Keep these top pages for your future reference.  
Hand in the next page only**



THE MARY SCHILLER MYERS SCHOOL OF ART  
**APPLICATION FOR ART STUDIO SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
please print

Home phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_  
(not your social security number) Is it legible?

major \_\_\_\_\_

total gpa \_\_\_\_\_ ART GPA \_\_\_\_\_  
(all U of A courses) (just U of A, all 7100 courses)

**Please check one**

\_\_\_ This application is for UPPERCLASS scholarships  
(33 semester credit hours or more of art studio completed at any school)

\_\_\_ This application is for UNDERCLASS scholarships  
(32 semester credit hours of art studio or less completed at any school)

art credit hours completed \_\_\_\_\_ (all schools attended)

number of art studio and history credits you are taking this semester \_\_\_\_\_

Attach a copy of your grades. Make sure all art grades from the Myers School of Art are listed. Include every semester in which you have a 7100 course.

Please indicate a PREFERENCE for display of work. What are your special needs? Wall space, floor space, a pedestal, a table, a wall outlet. etc. We will make every attempt to honor your needs. Let the gallery staff know ASAP.

**Deadlines**

**UP TO DATE DEADLINES CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEB SITE:  
[www.uakron.edu/art](http://www.uakron.edu/art)**

Please understand that in fairness to all, late applications cannot be accepted.  
Questions : 330-972-5959

## Frequently asked questions:

Q: Is it true that I need straight A's to get an award?

A: No, you need a 2.78 (B-) overall and a 3.3 (B+) in your art courses

Q: This application doesn't say anything about art history

A: There is a separate application for the art history award, available in the art office

Q: Are graphic design majors eligible?

A: Yes, graphic design majors are art majors (BFA in Graphic Design)

Q: Are art education majors eligible?

A: Yes, art education undergraduate majors are art majors (BA in Art Education)

Q: I am eligible if I receive other funding?

A: Yes, although Financial Aid may subtract our award from any other that you receive

Q: Can a freshman really hope to win anything?

A: Sure. We judge lower level students separately from advanced ones. Last year a freshman won our highest award. Anyway, it's good experience for subsequent years.

Q: Why must I thank my donor?

A: It's good manners, and it encourages the donor to continue to give.

Q: I have a few pieces already framed. Do I need to remove the frames?

A: No

Q: Should my name be on all the work?

A: It's up to you whether or not you want to include your name. It can be on the work, on a wall tag, etc.

Q: What if I have a piece that's too large for the space (or some other special need)?

A: Talk to the gallery staff to see if they can accommodate you.

Q: Is 3 dimensional work eligible?

A: Of course

Q: Can I be a few minutes late handing in my application?

A: In fairness to all, no.

Q: Why is there a grade minimum?

A: This is a scholarship show. The goal is to reward excellence.

Q: Why are graduate students ineligible (art ed or arts administration)?

A: Because our donors gave this money to the Myers School of Art for our art majors. Grad students are in other colleges such as education.

Q: If I miss the deadline or find that I am ineligible, are other art funds available this year?

A: No. We take all of our available funds and award them through our scholarship competition (or to incoming freshmen). Hopefully you'll be eligible next year.

Q: What if I only miss one of the grade minimums by a few points?

A: The grade minimums are not flexible. If we tweak it a few points for you and a few more for the next person, we must accept all applications which we cannot do.

Q: Why do so few students apply?

A: It is traditional to have less than 10% of our majors apply. Recently it has been about

5%. Some do not have grades or forget the deadline. Some do not have the confidence. Many say they did not hear about it or do not read our emails.

Q: Why is there money given in some specific areas (such as the American Greetings award in graphic design) and not others?

A: This is determined by the donor.

Q: If I am not awarded art funding or not eligible for art funding, am I still eligible for financial aid from the University?

A: Our art funds have nothing to do with Student Financial Aid. You can apply for Financial Aid as well.

Q: Must everything be matted?

A: No, but standards of good presentation should apply.

Q: How do I display 3D work?

A: You may want to build a shelf or platform. See the gallery staff if you'd like to use a pedestal.

Q: I know I can only show 20 pieces, but what about a series (say of prints?)

A: A series counts as one piece.