



Smith Mountain Arts Council Scholarship 2023 Applicant Information

Announcement

Smith Mountain Arts Council announces up to two \$2,000 two-year college scholarships for seniors demonstrating talent in the **Performing, Visual or Literary Arts** who attend the following high schools or are home-schooled in the same HS geographic areas: Franklin County HS, Gretna HS, Staunton River HS, SML Christian Academy, or Christian Heritage Academy. **Applications are open for all recognized academic disciplines at two or four-year accredited colleges or universities, including community colleges [scholarships are not limited to Arts majors].** Scholarships will be paid in the amount of \$1,000 per year for the first two years of enrollment provided second-year payments are subject to recipients submitting to the SMAC Scholarship Committee first year transcripts, and showing progress satisfactory to the Committee. Applicants may not be related to any member of the Smith Mountain Arts Council Board of Directors, incomplete applications will not be considered, and scholarship amounts may be used only for tuition.

Method of Selection

Recipients will be selected by the SMAC Scholarship Committee. Applications will be considered based on Artistic Goals & Academic Record; Artistic Activities; Awards & Honors; High School & Community Activities and Work Experience. A Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher is required.

Application Requirements

Applications must be endorsed by the Guidance Department/Home-School Coordinator. Applications must be received by the committee by **MARCH 31, 2023** and must include:

- Completed Application Form
- Copies of Artistic Work
- High School Transcript to Date
- Three [3] Letters of Recommendation: one from an art teacher, one from another teacher or high school official and one from a community person not related to the applicant.

The application, and all attachments, including samples of the artistic work, must be completed through the SMAC website at <https://smithmountainartscouncil.com/scholarship-apply>. Any questions can be addressed to Kathleen Riordan, the SMAC Scholarship chair, at khriordan@gmail.com.

Administration

2023 scholarship checks will be sent directly to the college on receipt of a copy of the letter of acceptance, mailing address, enrollment ID and social security number. Scholarship funds will be applied only to the student's tuition cost.