



## Art Scholarship Program Information

To reward and promote strong potential and talent in visual art, a \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to either a first year or a continuing student who demonstrates a strong commitment to further developing his/her artistic talent. To receive this award, the student must enroll in a college/vocational program in the fall following the offer of the award.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 10, 2026**

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### ELIGIBILITY

Student must meet the following requirements:

- Candidate must be a graduating senior from a Carbon County, Montana high school OR a college student who graduated from a Carbon County, Montana high school
- Candidate desires or is pursuing a degree that will lead to an art-related career
- Candidate must meet the minimum overall grade point average requirement (at least 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale)

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### MATERIALS TO ACCOMPANY APPLICATION

Student must provide the following materials:

- OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT:** A copy of an official transcript for each high school or college attended
- LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:** Three written letters of recommendations from persons not related to applicant but are familiar with student's work. *One must be from candidate's current or most recent art teacher.*
- PORTFOLIO:** On a thumb drive provide 5-10 images of recent work with information including the following: title of each image, date created, medium, and dimensions of the work on a separate sheet. The portfolio should include a variety of works and should emphasize the candidate's strength in a specific medium, especially drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics, or photography.
- ESSAY:** A typed 500-word statement expressing 1) career goals and a personal commitment to the pursuit of a degree in an art-related field **OR** 2) why art is important to you and your vision of yourself as an artist.
- APPLICATION FORM:** Signed application form and accompanying materials must be completed and received at the Arts Guild **no later than 5 pm on APRIL 10, 2026**

## **SELECTION**

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A committee will select a candidate based on the merits of all works submitted by the **April 10, 2026** deadline. Selection will be based on the following:

1. Scholarship committee's opinions on student's talent or potential for success
2. Letters of reference
3. Scholastic achievement based on high school/college transcripts and, if applicable, college grade point average
4. Candidate's personal statement
5. Portfolio that demonstrates artistic talent and technical development

## **NOTIFICATION**

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The scholarship winner will be notified and **announced at 3:00 p.m. during the High School Opening Reception at the Depot Gallery on May 3, 2026.**

## **AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS**

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A college/university issued confirmation of enrollment in art or art-related classes shall be sent to the Carbon County Arts Guild at P.O. Box 585, Red Lodge, Montana, 59068 no later than Friday, September 25, 2026. Scholarship funds will be sent directly to the college or university in which the student is enrolled. Failure to provide this information before the deadline will result in forfeiting the scholarship funds.



## Carbon County Arts Guild & Depot Gallery 2026 Art Scholarship Application Form

Please Print or Type, *use dark ink*

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Last</b> (Family or Surname)	<b>First</b>	<b>Middle</b>
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<b>Home Phone:</b> (      )	<b>Cell Phone:</b> (      )	<b>Email Address:</b>
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**Current Address:**

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**Permanent Address: City, State, Zip Code**

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**Classification**

High School \_\_\_\_\_ Undergraduate \_\_\_\_\_ Graduate \_\_\_\_\_

If in college, check year: First Year \_\_\_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_\_\_

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**Degree Information: Please check planned area of study**

- Art History
- Art Education
- Visual Communications (graphic design)
- Media Arts (photography, film, video arts)
- Studio Arts (sculpture, painting, drawing, printmaking, etc)
- Design (textiles, fashion, etc)
- Folk/Traditional Arts (saddlemaking, iron work, beadwork, etc)

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**Name of High School/College**

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**Please List All Special Art Awards or Shows/Exhibits (add a separate page if necessary)**

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<b>Intended College:</b>	<b>Intended Course of Study:</b>
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I have enclosed the required scholarship materials listed on page one with this application. I understand that I may not be considered for scholarship if I have omitted any of the material(s). This application is only valid with the signature and date of the applicant.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_