THE MYERS SCHOOL OF ART
STUDIO SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION

PURPOSE OF AWARD:
The Myers School of Art Studio Scholarship exists to provide partial support for the educational costs of tuition. This award is available because of endowed funds created by multiple donors throughout the history of the Myers School of Art. Award amounts range from $250-$2,500 with additional $5,000 Gillette Academic Scholarships awarded to the best Sophomore, Junior, and Senior. This competition occurs annually in the spring, and the total amount available to distribute varies each year.

SUMMARY OF PROCESS:
Students who meet the requirements to compete must submit an application for exhibition space. Each eligible student is assigned a space in the gallery or in the hallways to display their work. All full-time faculty vote on the portfolios exhibited, and their votes determine the scholarship winners. Faculty vote separately on underclassmen, Juniors and Seniors. The scholarship awards can be applied toward tuition in any term during the following academic year in which the student is enrolled full-time. Scholarship winners will be announced during the Awards Ceremony.

ELIGIBILITY:
To be eligible, students must:

• be declared Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Fine Arts Major.
• have a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.3 (B+) in ART (7100) classes and a cumulative GPA of 3.0 (B). The GPA calculation includes grades from all art studio and art history courses taken at The University of Akron but excludes transfer or transient coursework.
• be enrolled in at least 6 credits of coursework in art studio or art history in Spring 2015 (Subject number: 7100); and
• have completed at least 6 credits of art studio/art history at the Myers School of Art during Fall 2014.

Ineligible are students:
• in graduate school;
• with only an art minor;
• with a primary major other than art;
• who need fewer than 12 credits to earn their degree; and
• who are not in good standing with the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards.

PROCEDURES:

1. Complete the application form on the last page of these guidelines. **Forms will be due on Friday, January 30, 2015, before 12pm in Folk 103.** Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

2. You must report your Art (7100) GPA in order to assess your eligibility. You may find this on your Degree Audit Reporting System (DARS) report, which is accessed through MyAkron. If you have questions, please contact the Manager of Student Affairs or the Office of the University Registrar (330-972-8300) for help.

3. Eligible applicants will find their names posted on the door of the Emily Davis Gallery by 11 a.m. on Friday, February 6, 2015. Spaces for the show will be assigned the following week.

4. Applicants may begin to set up their displays at 8:00am Monday, February 16, 2015. All installation of work must be completed by 5:00pm Tuesday, February 17, 2015. Work on installations after the deadline is not permitted. **Please note: if your assigned exhibition space is in the Emily Davis Gallery, you will have to comply with Gallery Hours.**

5. Spaces will be assigned by random lottery. All students, regardless of class rank, are assigned the same size space. For 2015, spaces will be 5 feet wide, and may not exceed 9 feet in height (even if the wall height of your assigned space permits greater height). If needed, floor space **must** be requested as a display
preference on the application; due to health and safety regulations, floor space is limited to a maximum depth of 3 feet.

6. You must supply your own hammer, nails, thumb tacks, and push pins. Work should not hang more than 9' above the floor. Flat work need not be matted or framed, but standards of professional presentation should be met. Matted work may be stacked against the wall at floor level. Installation plans should take into account the need to return all exhibition space to its original condition after the show.

7. Students must select work to exhibit independent of counsel from faculty and staff.

8. All work is exhibited at your own risk. The Myers School of Art and The University of Akron are not responsible for damaged or stolen work.

9. Displays will be judged by all full-time members of the faculty on Wednesday, February 18 and Thursday, February 19, 2015. All faculty votes will be submitted electronically via survey to Ms. Katie Timperio by 5:00pm on February 19, 2015.

10. De-installation will take place between 8:00am-5:00pm on Friday, February 20 and 9:00am-12:00pm on Saturday, February 21, 2015. Your work must be fully removed and walls returned to their original condition by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Saturday, February 21, 2015. All nails, screws, tape, thumbtacks, etc. must be removed, and walls should be patched and repainted as necessary. Note: if your assigned exhibition space is in the Gallery, you will have to comply with posted Gallery Hours

NOTIFICATION AND DISBURSEMENT OF AWARDS:

Scholarship awards will be announced at the Student Awards Ceremony on Monday, April 27, 2015.

Scholarships awarded in Spring 2015 will be available for the following school year (Summer 2015, Fall 2015, and Spring 2016). A declared art major must be enrolled full-time (including at least 6 credits of 7100 art coursework) to receive the award. The student may choose to apply the total award amount to one term or to split the amount between two semesters. The award may be applied toward summer tuition costs if the student enrolls full-time for the summer term. Students have one year from the award date to utilize the scholarship funding. Students enrolled prior to Summer 2014 are eligible to receive up to $10,500 in
University-awarded scholarship money. Students who began studies at UA in or after Summer 2014 are eligible to receive up to $9,500 in total University-awarded scholarship money. All University-awarded scholarships are non-refundable.

EXPECTATIONS OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

Endowed scholarships from the Myers School of Art are both an honor and a responsibility. The applicants selected as recipients of a scholarship agree to the following commitments:

1. You are required to submit a thank-you letter to the donor. Your thank-you letter must thoughtfully express your gratitude, and is required within two weeks of your notification of the award. It will be reviewed for its content and tone. Submit your thank-you letter by email to the Manager of Student Affairs (kat1@uakron.edu) before 5:00pm Monday, May 4, 2015. Failure to submit the thank-you letter before the deadline will result in forfeiture of the scholarship.

2. Recipients of all scholarships and grants administered by the Myers School of Art are expected to give back to the school by participating in school-sponsored events. Events can include high school visits, Portfolio Review Days, speaking to an Arts Orientation class about your award, and other events where a student’s voice and perspective are valued. Your participation will be coordinated by the Manager of Student Affairs, and by accepting this scholarship you agree to serve in at least three events over the next two semesters.

2015 Studio Scholarship Competition Timeline

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Is it true that I need straight A’s to be eligible for an award?
A: No, you will need a 3.3 (B+) in your 7100 art and art history courses and a 3.0 cumulative GPA.

Q: What if I miss the grade point average minimum by a few points?
A: This is a scholarship competition that awards excellence. The GPA minimums are not flexible.

Q: Are all majors eligible?
A: Only primary art majors are eligible.

Q: Technically, I need less than 12 credits to earn my degree, but I plan to take additional classes. Am I eligible?
A: No. But be happy that you are so close to graduation!

Q: Am I eligible if I receive other funding (such as loans, grants, etc.)?
A: Yes, although Financial Aid may subtract the Myers award from any other aid that you receive.

Q: Can a freshman really hope to win anything?
A: Yes, students are divided into three groups: underclassmen, Juniors and Seniors. This ensures that advanced students are judged separately from students in their first or second year of study.

Q: Why must I thank my donor?
A: It is proper etiquette, and it encourages the donor to continue to support students at the Myers School of Art.

Q: I have a few pieces already framed. Do I need to remove the frames?
A: No.

Q: Should my name be on the work?
A: It is your choice to include or exclude your name. It can be listed on the work, on a name tag, etc.

Q: What if I have a piece that is too large for the space (or some other need exists)?
A: Indicate a special need on your application, and talk to the gallery staff as soon as possible to see if they can accommodate your work.

Q: If I miss the deadline or find that I am ineligible, are other scholarships available this year?
A: Not through the Myers School of Art. Work to improve your GPA so that you will be eligible next year.
APPLICATION for THE MYERS SCHOOL OF ART
STUDIO SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Name: __________________________________________________________

Home phone: (____) ______-_______  Cell phone: (____) ______-_______

Student ID#: __________________________  Major: __________________________

UA e-mail address (not your personal email): __________________________

ART GPA (7100) classes: _________  Cumulative GPA (all UA classes): _________

Anticipated Graduation Date/Term: _______________________________________

Number of 7100 credit hours you are enrolled in for Spring 2015: ________________

RANK is determined by the sum of 7100 credit hours completed at the Myers School of Art plus accepted transfer credits that have direct equivalency in the Myers School of Art.

Total number of rank credit hours: __________________

____ This application is for a SENIOR scholarship (55 or more semester credit hours of art studio or art history)

____ This application is for a JUNIOR scholarship (36-54 semester credit hours of art studio or art history)

____ This application is for an UNDERCLASS scholarship (35 or fewer semester credit hours of art studio or art history; 17 or fewer credit hours indicates Freshman status)

Please indicate a PREFERENCE for display of work. All special needs must be indicated on this application; the gallery cannot accommodate last minute requests for special needs. Examples include: wall space, floor space, pedestal, table, wall outlet, etc. We will make every attempt to honor your needs, but cannot guarantee our ability to do so. Use the reverse of this form if you need additional writing space.

Signature: _____________________________  Date: __________________

Authorization for the Release of Information: By signing this form, you grant the Myers School of Art permission to consult with offices and units on campus as needed to administer this scholarship, including the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards and the Office of Student Financial Aid.

DEADLINE: Friday, January 30, 2015 at 12 p.m.
Late submissions will NOT be accepted for any reason.