



The Fiber & Textile Arts Award

of the Midwest Fiber & Folk Art Fair



APPLICATION

The Fiber & Textile Arts Award is a one-year scholarship for the 2012-2013 academic year. Sponsored by Toni Neil, the 2012 amount to be awarded is \$2,000 each to two students. The award is for tuition and fees and will be paid directly to the school in the student's name.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT: Students eligible to apply must be currently enrolled and seeking a fiber arts, textile, or fiber-related undergraduate or graduate degree. All eligible students will be enrolled in school on at least a half-time basis. Half time is defined as half the required credit hours for full time for purposes of this application. *Note: Students less than full time must explain why they are less than full time in their essay or on their application.*

TO APPLY: All eligible applicants must send an application—to be completed by both the student and the financial aid officer at the school (required to show proof of enrollment and financial status), an essay, at least one and no more than three letters of recommendation, and 3-5 digital images of their work. Applicants who have received the award in past years are required to send a copy of their grades for all periods since the award, including the award period.

APPLICATION: Please print out this form and complete page 2, then have your financial aid officer complete part 2 of page 2.

ESSAY: The essay must be on a separate sheet, be no more than 500 words in 12 pt type, single spaced, in a readable font, and **MUST** contain applicant's full name on the top right corner of the page. Suggested topics: Why are you seeking this degree? What do you hope to achieve? Describe your goals and dreams.

DIGITAL IMAGES: Please send 3-5 digital images representing at least 3 works. These works must be done by the applicant. Submissions of digital images is online **ONLY**. We do not accept slides. **DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL WORK!** Email digital images to **John@naac4art.org** with the subject "FTAA Images Attached". Suggested image standard: 1536 pixels x 2048 pixels at 96 dpi uncompressed .jpg file. All images must be baseline JPG (do not use progressive JPG format or optimized JPG format). High quality images are important for the judges' decision-making. Fine detail is lost in poor quality images.

SUBMISSIONS: You are required to email all digital images (see above directions). Signed and completed applications, signed and completed letters of recommendation, and essays may either be scanned and emailed **TOGETHER** to John@naac4art.org with the subject FTAA APPLICATION, **OR** the original signed and completed application and signed letters of recommendation and essays can be mailed **TOGETHER** to:

Fiber & Textile Arts Award (FTAA)
Northwest Area Arts Council
PO Box 597
Crystal Lake, IL 60039-0597

DUE DATE: APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 30, 2012. Formal presentation of the award will be made at the Midwest Fiber & Folk Art Fair in June 2012. The recipient of the award need not be present and will be informed prior to the fair.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION: Recipient will be selected based on artistic merit; however, financial need will be taken into account. Preference may be given to individuals pursuing a degree later in life.

REQUIREMENT: Each recipient of the 2012 FTAA Award is required to make one of their artworks available for display at the 2012 Midwest Fiber & Folk Art Fair, to be held June 22-24, 2012.

Please email **John@naac4art.org** if you have any questions.

GOOD LUCK!

This award has been made possible by a generous donation from Toni Neil. Our sincerest thanks!

Anyone interested in making a donation toward this award should contact NAAC at the above address or email John Heng, NAAC Chair, at **John@naac4art.org**.



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PART 1: To be completed by student applicant:

Last Name:		First Name:		M.I.:	Birth Date:	SSAN.:
Permanent Address, Street:			City:		State:	Zip Code:
Email Address:			Home Phone:		Cell Phone:	
Employer Name:			Employer Mailing Address:		Employer Phone:	
Please provide 3 references: Reference 1 Name & Mailing Address:			Relationship to student:		Home Phone:	
			Employer name & address:		Work Phone:	
Reference 2 Name & Mailing Address:			Relationship to student:		Home Phone:	
			Employer name & address:		Work Phone:	
Reference 3 Name & Mailing Address:			Relationship to student:		Home Phone:	
			Employer name & address:		Work Phone:	

PART 2: To be completed by Financial Aid Officer at Educational Institution or other qualified school official:

Name of Educational Institution:		TIN:
Mailing Address:	City:	State: Zip Code:
Email Address:	Phone:	FAX:
Degree the above named student is enrolled in:	The student is enrolled: <input type="checkbox"/> Full Time <input type="checkbox"/> Half Time <input type="checkbox"/> Less than Half Time	Is the degree related to fiber or textile arts? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
I verify that the information provided on behalf of the educational institution named above is accurate and I am authorized by that institution to provide this information.		Total amount of tuition to be paid by the above named student for the 2012-2013 academic year (tuition only—do not include room/board or other expenses): \$
Signature		Less amount student can pay and other financial aid awarded: \$
Title	Date	Total amount of need: \$

I hereby acknowledge that I have completed this application and that all information in this application is accurate and complete. I further acknowledge that I am currently or about to be enrolled in an institution of higher education and seeking an undergraduate or graduate degree in fiber arts, textile arts, or a fiber-related arts degree. I understand that if I should receive this award, the money will be paid to my school in my name and can only be used for tuition and fees related to tuition and may not be used for any other purpose.

Signature of Applicant

Date