



Arts Ambassador Scholarship Program Application Guidelines

The Arts Ambassador Scholarship Program 2024 offers \$650 scholarships to support young artists for education in the artistic field of their choice (Music, Visual Arts, Dance, Drama, and Literary Arts). This scholarship is available to current 5th- 11th grade students. The scholarship will be awarded directly towards the education for the chosen art field and may be used for private instruction, workshops, and/or summer study.

Enspire Arts believes in building community through the sharing of artistic expression and encourages youth to reach out and positively impact those in their community. As a recipient of a scholarship, one agrees to share some of their art as an art ambassador to the community. The project is an accomplishment that exhibits a meaningful and positive contribution to the community of Clark County. All work must be family friendly and suitable for all ages. The sharing project examples might be, but are not limited to:

- Providing music at a senior center, schools, markets, or other public spaces
- Offering photography for a family in need
- Donating art or photography for display in libraries, schools, community centers, private businesses, etc.
- Dance performances and/or workshops for students
- Peer tutoring in the chosen art form
- Public reading of written work

Eligibility

- Applicants must be U.S. citizens or Permanent Residents of the U.S. residing in Clark County, WA.
- Current 5th- 11th grade students may apply.
- Any incomplete applications will not be accepted. Please ensure all elements on the application form are fully completed- signatures, essay, two letters of recommendation (signed), etc.

Mandatory dates and deadlines

Attendance is REQUIRED to the following meetings and events.

- Sunday afternoon, May 5, 2024 2-5pm - Personal interviews for selected applicants.
- Sunday afternoon, May 19, 2024 2pm - Orientation Program for selected applicants.
- Arts Ambassador Community Concert & Celebration: Tentative Date March 1st, 2025
- May 31, 2025 - Deadline for Arts Instruction to be completed.
- May 31, 2025 - Deadline for final project to be completed.
- May 31, 2025 - Project Summary submitted to Enspire Arts.
- June 7, 2025 - End of Year Celebration Event 4 pm

Scholarship Awards

Each recipient will be awarded with a \$650 scholarship towards education in their chosen field of arts. All funds will be used for instruction and will be paid directly to instructors.

Application Form

Available for download at EnspireArts.org. Fill out completely in ink or typed.

Essay

Submit a written essay (approx. 250 words typed) or a short video saying a few words (3-4 minutes) about why you would love to be an Arts Ambassador and what your chosen field of arts study means to you. The video can be submitted via email to artsambassador@enspirearts.org

Letters of Recommendation Guidelines

All applicants must submit two letters of recommendation. It could be written by a recent teacher, counselor or community leader, at least one of which must be a current teacher of the applicant. Letters should be sent directly from the writer to Enspire Arts: artsambassador@enspirearts.org

The letters must be typed (no hand-written letters will be accepted) including the following information.

- The applicant's full name
- Writer's signature, full name, title, institution, contact information (including email address, mailing address, and telephone number)
- Writer's relationship to the applicant
- Specific information about the applicant- personal characteristics, performance, experience, strengths, capabilities, commitment to community, etc.

Application Submission

- Completed application forms and essay emailed to artsambassador@enspirearts.org
- Enspire Arts must receive two letters of recommendation - artsambassador@enspirearts.org

Deadline

Application forms, essay, and letters of recommendation must be submitted by April 30, 2024.

Notification

The scholarship recipients will be announced by email shortly after personal interviews.

Confidentiality

All information submitted to the Arts Ambassador Program in this application is kept strictly confidential and is not shared with any entity outside of Enspire Arts Board Members and Scholarship Review Committee.

Retention of Records

Enspire Arts will keep a file under the name of each scholarship recipient containing the following materials: the original application, recommendations and supporting documentation as required by application, correspondence and documentation concerning enrollment and evidence of good standing from the educational institution, and a copy of completion for the instructions paid by scholarship award; ledger records showing amount of award and date paid to educational institution and purpose of the award. Enspire Arts will retain the forms and records completed by the Scholarship Selection Committee.

If you have any questions, please email artsambassador@enspirearts.org