

## **en Plein Air: The Shutterbug Gallery & Huntsville Festival of the Arts Student Arts Bursary 2018 Bursary Application and General Information**

**Background:** In 2009, The Shutterbug Gallery in partnership with HFA (Huntsville Festival of the Arts) began its annual 'fringe' event of the festival, the En Plein Air Painting & Auction. Proceeds from the annual events are directed to a student art bursary for students pursuing a fine arts education in the visual arts, with over \$10 000 in scholarships awarded to date. Proceeds from the 2017 annual event now await recipients.

**Current Status:** Another successful auction in September 2017 resulted in **two bursaries to be awarded this spring, each in the amount of \$850.** These bursaries will be awarded to successful secondary school applicants from the Muskoka Tri-Towns - Huntsville, Bracebridge and Gravenhurst. (Note that the number and amount of the bursaries does fluctuate from year to year based on monies raised in a given year.)

### **Award Criteria and Judging Details**

To qualify for a **en Plein Air Shutterbug Gallery & Huntsville Festival of the Arts** bursary, you must be enrolled in a secondary school in Muskoka, be pursuing a post-secondary education in the visual arts and be in your graduating year or have graduated within the past year but are not already attending college, university or another form of post-secondary education.

A panel comprised of local artists will do the judging of the applications. Decisions of the panel are final. The bursaries will be presented at local high school graduation ceremonies at the end of the 2017/2018 school year. Once the winners are known, so will their school; the date and details of the presentations will then be confirmed with Kelly for delivery of the money orders.

**The Application:** Your application must include a portfolio, letter of intent, copy of your college or university's acceptance letter and your full contact information in Muskoka. **The deadline for making submissions: May 27 to June 14th 2018 at 4:00 p.m. NO EXTENSIONS WILL BE GRANTED.**

#### **Applications can be e-mailed to:**

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c/o: Kelly Holinshead

Subject Line: Plein Air Bursary Application

The following five components are required for your application to be considered:

**Portfolio:** The portfolio is your opportunity to present a collection of ten (10) pieces that best represents you and your art form. Images need to be of proper exposure and focus in order that your art is presented accurately. Each of your ten images will be ordered and numbered. Please provide an accompanying list that corresponds, indicating the title, medium, approximate size and a brief description of the work, including how it was made.

Letter of Intent: 250 words maximum. It should describe past achievements, short range and long-term goals, and your reasons for pursuing a post-secondary education in the visual arts.

Acceptance Letter: A copy of the acceptance letter for post secondary education must be included with your application. \*\*Note: if you are still awaiting acceptance, please apply with proof of application and should you be chose, you will be contacted prior to graduation for proof of acceptance.

Contact Information: Include with your application, a current contact address, email address and telephone number for you in Muskoka.

**Note: Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

**For further details or questions:**

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