**CCAA 2023 Scholarship for**

**High School Graduates**

The Charles County Arts Alliance offers a $2,000.00 scholarship to an outstanding graduating senior from each Charles County public high school and St. Mary’s Ryken High School who plans to continue studying the arts at a four-year college or university.

**Eligibility Criteria: The applying student**

* Has a 3.0 or above weighted grade point average,
* Is a graduating senior from a Charles County Public High School and St. Mary’s Ryken High School, and
* Has been accepted at an accredited four-year college or university in an arts program (performing, visual, or literary) in the subsequent fall semester.

**Application and Supporting Documentation**

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Contact Phone Number\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

High School Attended\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Senior Awards Ceremony Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Intended College/University and Program Major\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The application must also include the following:

* A typed detailed resume listing the student’s artistic activities, extracurricular activities, work, and/or community service,
* A typed 300-word essay stating the name of the college/university the student plans to attend, identifying the arts major, and explaining why the arts degree is being pursued,
* A typed letter of recommendation from a teacher who is familiar with the student’s academic abilities and achievements,
* A typed letter of recommendation from a teacher who is directly familiar with the student’s artistic talents and achievements, and
* A sealed envelope containing the student’s official transcript verifying a 3.0 or above Grade Point Average.
* **For dancers, musicians, filmmakers, and thespians (stage side) only:**
	+ Please submit an audition-style video recording, no longer than 5 minutes duration.
* **For visual artists, writers, and thespians (tech side) only:**
	+ Please submit a portfolio containing 3-5 examples of your best work.

**Application Submission Deadline: December 21, 2022, by 12:00 PM**

The scholarship application and supporting documentation must be delivered electronically to ccaaoffice2@gmail.com, or delivered\* to the CCAA Office at the following address:

By Mail: PO Box 697, White Plains, MD 20695

For in-person delivery: 10250 La Plata Road, La Plata, MD 20646

\*Any applications postmarked on or after December 21, 2022, will not be considered.

**Obligations and Instructions for Students Receiving a CCAA Scholarship:**

CCAA Scholarship recipients will be required to attend and give a two- to three-minute presentation at the Charles County Arts Alliance Annual Membership Meeting which will be held on a Saturday in early May at the Indian Head Pavilion. Depending on Covid-19 conditions, the meeting may need to be conducted virtually through Zoom.

If a Senior Awards Ceremony is held, a CCAA board member will attend and present an award certificate and a letter of final instructions.

Finally, scholarship awardees will need to submit the following materials electronically to ccaaoffice1@gmail.com: a .JPG headshot and bio for our publicity purposes, the official letter of acceptance from the college/university being attended in the fall semester, the college/university student ID number, and the college/university mailing address where the CCAA scholarship check must be sent. Failure to comply with the instructions by **July 15, 2023,** will forfeit the CCAA Scholarship.

 **For further information, send questions** to [www.charlescountyarts.org](http://www.charlescountyarts.org) **or** ronbrown990@gmail.com**.**