Department of Art

Lee M. Bennett Art Scholarship

All Art Majors who meet the qualifications listed below are encouraged to apply for the Bennett Art Scholarship.

The Lee M. Bennett Art Scholarship was established in 1997 in memory of Lee Medler Bennett (1915-1996), Professor of Art at VSU. Professor Bennett began her VSU career as a part time instructor in 1953 and retired in 1985 as a full Professor. She taught art history, drawing, painting, ceramics, printmaking and graphics. The purpose of the Lee Bennett Art Scholarship is to encourage quality students to pursue their study of Art at VSU. She would wish for each recipient a successful career in the field of art and that they share their love of art with others.

Amount:
Up to full tuition per semester for the fall and spring semesters, pending available funds. This award is subject to review by the Department of Art Scholarship Committee each semester for renewal. The Bennett Scholarship is continuous (fall and spring semesters only) until graduation or until the student has completed 129 semester credit hours, whichever comes first. The student must continue to meet all the criteria outlined in the Lee M. Bennett Scholarship Fund Agreement.

The successful applicant must:

• be an Art major.
• have completed at least 14 credit hours of study and no more than 90 credit hours of study toward their art major at VSU or another institution.
• pursue at least 12 credit hours per semester and be enrolled in a minimum of one major curriculum class per semester
• maintain a 2.7 overall GPA, and a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale in major course work.

Applicants must submit to the Scholarship Committee:

• a completed VSU Department of Art Scholarship Application Form. This form is located on the Art Scholarships & Financial Aid web site: http://www.valdosta.edu/colleges/arts/art/art-scholarships.php).

• a letter of application that states which scholarship/scholarships you wish to apply for, and cites your current overall GPA and completed hours. This letter should include applicant’s current mailing address, telephone number and student ID number. Students who apply for multiple scholarships must state so in this letter of application.

• a current transcript (transcript may be obtained from the student’s access to Banner)

• a portfolio containing five (5) examples of their best works. (digital or physical portfolios will be accepted). Digital images must be in jpg format and must be good quality and accurately represent the work. Image files must be labeled: name_title.jpg

Entry Deadline:

Applications will be accepted on September 14, 2015 from 8:30am to 5:00pm. Physical portfolios should be taken to Professor Edwards in FA-122A. If you choose to submit your application and portfolio digitally, submissions should be sent to Professor Heuss at awheuss@valdosta.edu and must be received by 5:00pm on September 14, 2015. *Incomplete entries will not be reviewed.

• Work must be picked up September 25, 2015
• All information and application form can be found at VSU Department of Art web site: http://www.valdosta.edu/colleges/arts/art/art-scholarships.php

• For additional information contact:
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  o Professor Heuss, UC 2117 (229) 333-5834 awheuss@valdosta.edu