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## 2021 ARTsmart Art Changes Lives Scholarship

ARTsmart will award a scholarship to one outstanding high school senior art student graduating from any high school or homeschool equivalent in New Mexico to attend up to four years of study of visual art at the university or college (including a two-year community college) level.

**The 2021 Art Changes Lives Scholarship will provide \$5,000 for the first year and \$1,500 for each subsequent year up to three years.** This is a multi-year scholarship. Students must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester/quarter. Recipients must maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA and submit an annual copy of current academic transcripts to ARTsmart in order to continue receiving scholarship funds. The funds will be given directly to the college/university in the winning student's name. The recipient must provide ARTsmart with her, his, or their student ID number and contact name and address of the admissions department of the student's chosen college or university.

Application Form and supporting materials must be received by ARTsmart by the due date:  
**Saturday, May 1, 2021.**

Application may be submitted electronically via online application at ARTsmartNM.org, and supporting materials may be submitted by email, or by mailing to PO Box 22363, Santa Fe, NM 87502.

## Scholarship Criteria

1. Student Applicant must have at least **two completed years of high school art** in New Mexico (or homeschool equivalent).
2. Have a **3.0 or higher Grade Point Average** (or homeschool equivalent).
3. The graduating student must be planning to attend a college/university or art institution (including community college) within one year of graduation where they will be pursuing a degree in visual art or arts education.
4. Submit Application Form and all accompanying materials by due date 5/1/21.

## Materials to Submit:

**A complete Application Form** (online at ARTsmartNM.org) that includes **3 essays** responding to these questions:

- *In your view, in what way(s) does art change lives and how does it impact you and others?*
- *What is it about art that engages you? What processes, art forms, techniques, media, art history, and/or contemporary issues do you want to learn about in your future studies?*
- *How do you currently contribute to your community and how do you want to contribute in the future?*

**Portfolio of work:** Portfolio must all be digital images of 5-8 pieces (physical pieces of artwork will not be accepted). Minimum of 5, maximum of 20 digital images (multiple views of 3D art are recommended). Images may be submitted in jpeg, gif, png, tiff, and pdf platforms and videos in mp4 platforms must be mailed or emailed to [info@artsmartnm.org](mailto:info@artsmartnm.org) with Applicant's full name and "Art Changes Lives Scholarship" in the subject line. Suggested image title format: First Initial, Last Name, Title.jpeg

**Copy of official transcripts** showing 3.0 or higher high school Grade Point Average (or homeschool equivalent). Mail or email to [info@artsmartnm.org](mailto:info@artsmartnm.org) with Applicant's full name and "Art Changes Lives Scholarship" in the subject line.

**Proof of acceptance** for college/university Student Applicant will be attending. Mail or email to [info@artsmartnm.org](mailto:info@artsmartnm.org) with Applicant's full name and "Art Changes Lives Scholarship" in the subject line.

**Letters of recommendation** from two references (Art Teacher/Instructor plus one other non-family adult). Mail or email to [info@artsmartnm.org](mailto:info@artsmartnm.org) with Applicant's full name and "Art Changes Lives Scholarship" in the subject line.

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All Student Applicants will be notified by email by May 21st.

## Questions

Contact us at [info@artsmartnm.org](mailto:info@artsmartnm.org) or 505.992.2787.