



# Salem Fine Arts Commission

## *Mission Statement:*

*To inform, encourage, and involve the Salem community in the fine arts.*

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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The City of Salem, Virginia Fine Arts Commission will award **four scholarships** in the amount of \$1000 each to an area high school senior to pursue a college education in the visual or performing arts. This includes art, music, drama and dance. Each scholarship is to be used towards fine arts class fees or tuition and will be paid to the college, university, or accredited school of the fine arts of the recipient's choice. The members of the Salem Fine Arts Commission of Salem, Virginia will choose the winners of the scholarships.

The winners will be announced at the Dessert with the Arts program in April at Salem High School. A Salem Fine Arts Commission banquet honoring the chosen winners will be held in May and each recipient will be required to attend. Each recipient may be asked to present his or her art talent at the banquet.

**Eligibility:** The Applicant...

- A) Must be a graduating high school senior and a resident of Salem, Virginia.
- B) Must rank in the upper half of her or his high school class for the four years of high school.
- C) Must be a currently enrolled high school senior whose educational goals include advanced study of the visual or performing arts at a college, university, or fine arts institute which is accredited and licensed in the state in which it operates.
- D) The Salem Fine Arts Commission may request an interview with the applicant. The applicant must be willing to sit for this interview. Applicant's family members are invited to attend the interview.

**Criteria:**

- 1) **50%** = demonstrated talent in visual or performing arts
- 2) **25%** = participation in school & community arts activities
  - a) Character References: two letters of reference are required - one from a teacher, the other is the applicant's choice.
  - b) Evidence of participation in the arts at the school and in the community listed on this Application.
- 3) **25%** = scholarship - the Applicant's school cumulative and disciplinary records may be considered.

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**Date Due:**

▪ Application and letters of reference *must* be received by:  
**March 31, 3:00 P.M.** at the Salem High School Guidance Office, the Glenvar High School  
Guidance Office or the Home school Network Scholarship Coordinator.

**Letters of Recommendation:**

Attach or have sent separately two letters of recommendation.  
List the writers' names, addresses, and phone numbers below. One letter should be from a  
teacher, the other is the applicant's choice. Letters must be received by March 31,  
at 3:00 p.m. to be considered.

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone #</b>
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<b>2</b>	<hr/>		

**To Be Completed by Parent and Applicant:**

If Applicant is chosen, the Salem Fine Arts Commission has my permission to use the applicant's  
name, hometown, and photo for further promotional purposes and publicity.

**Parent's Name** (please print)

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**Parent's Signature**

**Date**

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**Applicant's Signature**

**Date**

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**To Be Completed by Guidance Counselor:**

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ will be graduating in the top 50% of her/his class  
from \_\_\_\_\_ High School.

**Signature**

**Date**

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NAME OF APPLICANT:

FIRST

MIDDLE

LAST

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PARENT'S / GUARDIAN'S NAME

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ADDRESS

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PHONE # :

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APPLICANT'S SOCIAL SECURITY # :

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CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL

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COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY / FINE ARTS INSTITUTE APPLICANT IS PLANNING TO ATTEND

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HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED?

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- **Scholarship winners must provide college or university's name and Financial Services Office mailing address and telephone number before scholarship money can be processed. Deadline for this information is June 1<sup>st</sup> of this year.**

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## APPLICANT'S ARTS HISTORY.

*(May use back of form, or attach sheet and examples if more space is needed.)*

- LIST ANY HONORS / AWARDS AND DATE RECEIVED:

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- LIST ANY WORKSHOPS / PRIVATE CLASSES / ART SHOWS:

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- MAJOR PERFORMANCES IN YOUR AREA OF ARTS & DATES:

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- LIST ALL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES / CLUBS OF WHICH YOU'VE BEEN AN ACTIVE MEMBER. PLEASE MAKE NOTE IF YOU HELD AN OFFICE OR RECEIVED A GRADE:

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