

Ruth Harcort Memorial Scholarship



Purpose

To identify a deserving student each year who demonstrates a commitment to the performing arts (any area: music, dance, musical theatre, technical) in the school and/or greater community and who has maintained an attitude that reflects a desire to contribute and share of their talent and time. Applicant need NOT be attending university for a performing arts related degree.

Value

The Scholarship award will be in the amount of \$1000.00 CAD.

Conditions

Candidates must:

- Be graduating from a high school in Northumberland County in the 2019-2020 school year or be students who have taken a gap year after graduating in 2019 but have not attended a post secondary institution. Candidates must be Canadian Citizens.
- Students must be enrolled full-time at an accredited Canadian post-secondary institution for the 2020-2021 school year to receive the award. The successful candidate must provide Proof of Enrollment prior to receiving the award.

Application Instructions and Notes

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| <p>Personal Information</p> | <p>Please include all contact information with your application as well as the best method for contacting you should we require an interview. The awards committee will review all applications and only those deemed successful will be contacted for an interview. Interviews will take place at a local Secondary School.</p> |
| <p>References</p> | <p>Of the two required references, one must be an academic reference (teacher, principal, guidance counselor). The second reference should be someone from your school, community or place of employment that can make a recommendation in a “professional” capacity. (DO NOT use family members or friends). Letters of recommendation must be returned to you and submitted to Ruth Harcourt Memorial Scholarship in a sealed envelope with the signature of the reference across the seal to ensure confidentiality. Letters must be included in your application package. References may be contacted for additional information.</p> |
| <p>Academic Plans</p> | <p>Applicants are required to list all post secondary institutions they have applied to for the 2020-2021 term.</p> |
| <p>Experience in the Performing Arts</p> | <p>A maximum of 5 activities are to be listed. Activities listed must have taken place during your secondary school years but are not confined to those offered by the school. Activities in the greater community should be included and carry the same weight as secondary school sanctioned activities. List 3 points that briefly outline how your involvement in each activity has contributed to your growth or development as an individual, and/or why the activity was meaningful to you.</p> |
| <p>Essay</p> | <p>Please answer the essay question supplied. All submissions must be original and created to meet the requirements of the Ruth Harcourt Memorial Scholarship. Type -written essay submissions must not exceed 2 pages in length. A hard copy must be supplied with your application.</p> |

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Email completed applications to:

theatre@vostheatre.com

Important Dates

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| February 23rd, 2020 | Applications available for download at vostheatre.com under the Scholarship tab |
| May 31th, 2020 | Deadline for application packages to be submitted via email |
| June 2020 | Successful candidates will be requested to attend an online interview via Zoom. |
| Late June 2020 | Date by which the successful candidate will be notified |

The award will be presented at the VOS Theatre
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING near the end of June.

Ruth Harcort Memorial Scholarship Form

Part A – Application Check List

This is to be the front page of your Application.
Any application not starting with this application checklist will not be considered.

- A PDF copy of the completed downloaded application form
- A copy of your essay.
- Two letters of reference (electronic documents will be accepted)
- Application Deadline and Mailing Instructions
- Completed Packages must be sent via email to theatre@vostheatre.com

Part B – Personal Information

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| Name: | |
| Mailing Address: | |
| Town: | Postal Code: |
| Phone (Home): | Phone (Cell): |
| Email: | |
| Secondary School: | |

Part C - References

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| Reference 1 - Academic |
| Name: |
| Relationship to Candidate: |
| School of Employment: |
| Phone (Home) |
| Phone (Cell) |
| Email: |

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| Reference 2 – Professional |
| Name: |
| Relationship to Candidate: |
| Place of Employment: |
| Phone (Home) |
| Phone (Cell) |
| Email: |

Part E – Extracurricular, Volunteer Experience in the Arts

Use the space provided to outline all pertinent information regarding the activities that you were involved. Indicate when and where it occurred, your role in the activity, time commitment, and any other information you might wish to provide. Provide a reference and contact information for this activity. A maximum of five activities should be outlined.

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Part F – Essay

How has your involvement in the arts prepared you for your future endeavours?

- Please remember that we are most interested in YOUR personal experience.
- Attach a printed copy of your essay to this application.
- Your essay should be no more than two pages in length.

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| Signature of Applicant: | |
| Date: | |