

SIXTH FORM ART SCHOLARSHIP

Sixth Form Art Scholarships are awarded each year to highly talented students who demonstrate a dedication to study and a willingness to contribute to Art & Design at the school, and who wish to study this subject at A-level. Candidates will show aptitude and potential in Art and Design and have aspirations towards furthering their talent, perhaps with a view to a future career in the Creative Arts. Successful scholars specialising in Art & Design also agree to gift a piece of artwork, chosen by the Art Department, to the school.

The awards are conditional upon the recipient's active and full participation in Art at the school. This will include taking part in a reasonable number of appropriate school activities. Scholarships are expected to last until the end of the Sixth Form.

Each scholar will be able to apply for funding of up to £150 per year to enable her to attend external art-related events such as conferences, workshops or exhibitions, and/or to become involved with professional bodies or other relevant outside organisations. Applications for funding should be made in writing to the Headmistress.

Eligibility: Internal and external candidates entering the Lower 6 (Year 12) are eligible to apply. The awards take effect from the beginning of the Autumn Term of the Lower 6, and continue through to the Upper 6 (Year 13). **Candidates may only apply for one type of scholarship.**

Selection Process: Candidates are required to present a portfolio of their work, which must include at least two pieces of GCSE coursework, together with supporting studies and sketchbook(s). Very large, or 3-D pieces should not be included, but rather photographed carefully from a variety of angles. Candidates will be interviewed by a panel and may be asked to talk about specific pieces of work they have included in their portfolio. In particular, they will be expected to discuss their influences from other artists, craftspeople, art-movements or cultures. Criteria for selection are as follows:

- Accuracy in drawing skills and evidence of work including observational drawing from first-hand source material.
- Evidence of work in a variety of media. Specialists in one area (e.g. drawing and painting) should be able to show evidence of a variety of techniques (e.g. watercolour, acrylic, oil, collage).
- Accurate and full visual notation in the form of sketchbooks or design sheets. This should reflect the working practice of the Candidate, including research and development of ideas.
- Evidence of an understanding of the visual language of Art and Design and the role that the subject plays in all cultures, societies and times. The Candidate should also have a degree of knowledge about individual artists and movements and be prepared to make informed critical judgements.
- Successful Candidates will have made at least one visit to a gallery or exhibition in the past year, and be prepared to talk briefly about this experience.
- Candidates will be expected to contribute to and promote the work of the Art and Design Department; for example, through running Art clubs or assisting with Exhibitions.

Application Deadline: Friday 5 January 2018

The completed application form and portfolio should be sent to the Admissions Office by this date. Further details of the interview process and timetable will be forwarded to shortlisted candidates.

Interview Dates: Tuesday 9 January 2018, 4pm - 6pm

Thursday 11 January 2018, 4pm - 6pm

Wednesday 17 January 2018, 4pm - 6pm

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Name of Candidate

Address

Date of Birth

Contact telephone no.

To be completed by the Candidate:

Which area of Art & Design have you had experience of?

What is your favourite medium or area?

Detail any art-related clubs/societies/activities you have participated in

Which artists have you studied?

Which galleries/exhibitions have you visited recently?

What career plans do you have?

Please provide a Personal Statement (of no more than 200 words) about why you should be awarded a Art Scholarship:
(typed or handwritten)

I have submitted my portfolio, as detailed in the Art Scholarship notes.

If awarded an Art scholarship, I agree to gift to the school a piece of artwork, chosen by the Art Department.

Signature of Candidate

Date

I understand that acceptance of a Art scholarship commits my daughter to regular participation in a range of school artistic activities. I further understand that the holding of any award is subject to annual review.
I understand that the panel decision is final and that there is no appeals process.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date