

Friends of the Visual Arts Friendship GRANT

The SFA Friends of the Visual Arts Board (FVA) provides a limited number of grants to deserving students enrolled in the SFA School of Art in order to aide them in furthering their educational and professional goals in the field of art. The grants will be determined solely by the Scholarship Committee of the Friends of the Visual Arts Board.

OBJECTIVES OF THE FVA FRIENDSHIP GRANT:

The purpose of the Friendship grant is to establish East Texas as a center of excellence in the fields of visual arts education and training. It seeks to achieve this mission by supporting student artists through their education and training and with their entry into professional practice.

Description of Grants

Grants are available to art students to support: books or art supplies required for a student's study or career advancement; travel related to a student's coursework or career advancement (e.g. professional conference) or to a co-curricular activity; or conference fees for professional conferences. Grants are available for up to \$400.00 per year for an individual student. Grants may not be used to pay for tuition and fees or debts to the University. Examples of expenses that could be covered include travel expenses to a professional conference or Maymester course, and expenses related to BFA or MFA exhibitions.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must:

- be students in Degree or Diploma courses within the SFA School of Art or graduate students in those Schools.
- be a current SFA student. Recent graduates or students no longer enrolled (e.g. take leave of absence, graduation or withdraw) at SFA are not eligible for award funding.
- have an overall GPA of 2.7 and a 3.25 GPA in major is preferred.
- have no holds or debts to the University.
- provide documentary evidence supporting the need for the award.
- not have received a grant award from the FVA within the last year.
- Must commit to creating an original artwork to at least one FVA fund raising event if he/she is given a Friendship Grant.

Purpose for award funding must be for career, academic or art related cost.

DECISION PROCESS

The FVA scholarship committee reviews all applications and allocates funds on a monthly basis. Preference will be given to applicants who submit their requests well in advance of the event or need for funds.

All monies provided through these awards will be awarded based on merit, correct completion of required documentation, need, and timely submission of requests. Monies will be transferred to the student's account unless they have reached their financial aid limit. In that instance other arrangements will be made as needed.

Checklist for Completing Friends of the Visual Arts Grant Application

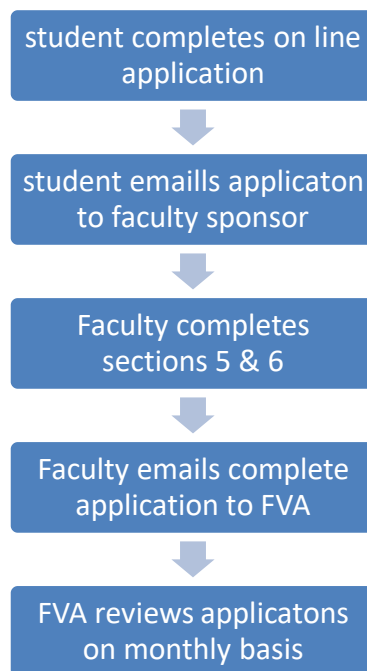
Prior to Beginning the Application

- Decide upon a project and make a plan for completing the project
- Research expenses associated with the project
- Contact professors to act as a faculty sponsor for your project

Completing the Online Application

- Complete Sections 1 - 4
- Email your application to your faculty sponsor to provide a letter of support and complete the faculty evaluation section. Email a copy of the application to Linda Mock (FVA Scholarship Chair) at mockl@sfasu.edu
- Your faculty person will then complete Sections 5 & 6 then email the complete packet to Linda Mock who will share it with the FVA Scholarship Committee
- The application is due to the FVA Scholarship committee 4 weeks before the event occurs. Applications must be received during the first week of each month in order to be reviewed that month.**

Process:



APPLICATION FOR FVA GRANT	(Office use only)
	DATE LODGED: AMOUNT APPROVED:
Section 1:	
Project Title: _____	
Total Budget Amount: _____	
Total Amount Requested from FVA (maximum \$400): _____	
Date Funds Needed: _____	

Section 2: Applicant Details

Name:	Phone number:
Email Address:	Faculty Sponsor Name:
Student ID Number (CIN):	
Academic Level (please choose one with an X)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Student	
Specific Area of Study: -	
I agree to the award conditions outlined within this application form, including the donation of at least one piece of art for an FVA fundraiser.	
Applicant Name..... Date: / /	

Section 3: Project Details

Please provide a description of project/event for which financial assistance is needed

Why do you want to participate in this project?

How will this project benefit your education or academic career

Please provide a narrative description of the types of expenses involved in the project.(For example, “ I will need to purchase frames for the paintings I will be displaying in my MFA show.” Or, “I will need to pay for lodging and meals during the 5 days trip.”)
(Note a detailed breakdown on projected expenses will be detailed in Section 4 – Budget).

Section 4: Budget

- Please provide itemized costs for all items included in your project. Give details regarding how projected expenses are computed (e.g. – 12 frames @ \$20 each). Show the total cost of the project as well as the amount requested from the FVA. **Please note that the maximum allowed per student per year is \$400**
- If you are applying for a grant to help with BFA or MFA expenses, please note that only costs for materials, advertising, and printing are allowed. No costs related to the reception will be covered.

EXPENDITURES (itemize relevant details)	Projected Cost
Travel	
Mileage	
Airfare	
Per Diem	
Lodging (e.g. 3 nights @ \$75 per night)	
Meals (e.g. \$20 per day for 2 days)	
Registration fees	
Supplies/materials (specify the types and costs for each):	
Printing costs(specify the types and costs for each)::	
Other (specify)	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	

Total amount requested from FVA: _____

Section 5: Faculty Sponsorship Statement of Support

The supervising professor/instructor must explain below why they do or do not support the student's request for financial assistant from the FVA for the project proposed by the student. Please indicate any outstanding accomplishments, characteristics, etc. of the student. This section is to be completed by the sponsoring faculty person at the time he/she emails the entire application to Linda Mock at mockl@sfasu.edu

Section 6: Faculty Evaluation Form

Please take the time to rate the student for whom you are a faculty sponsor by entering a checkmark in the appropriate rating column. Please provide any comments specific to each rating and/or general comments in the spaces provided. Please attach this form to the application packet at the time it is submitted.

Area	Poor	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Excellent
Integrity					
Comments:					
Work ethic					
Comments:					
Selflessness					
Comments:					
Ambition					
Comments:					

Faculty Name (: Date :
