

Allen Memorial Performing Arts Scholarship

in memory of Susan, Bud and Grace Allen

This scholarship fund was endowed to Friends of School of the Arts by Roberta (Bobbie) Allen, the daughter of Grace & Bud Allen, and Betsy A. Wilson, granddaughter of Grace & Bud Allen, in January of 2012. The fund will provide scholarships to needy and talented SOTA students entering college to study the performing arts (music, dance, drama, or theatre technology). This follows in Bud & Grace Allen's tradition of supporting high school students with financial need who excel in the performing arts.

The amount of the scholarship award is \$1000, which will be paid in 4 payments of \$250 at the start of each academic year. Proof of continued enrollment and academic success (min GPA of 2.5) will be required to obtain all 4 payments.

Allen Memorial Performing Arts Scholarship Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicant must be a graduating senior from the School of the Arts.
- Applicant must be entering a college or university to study the *performing arts* (drama, dance, music, theatre technology).
- *Applicant must demonstrate financial need.*
- Applicant must possess a minimum grade point average of 2.5.

Allen Memorial Performing Arts Scholarship Application and Selection Process:

Applications are available from your guidance counselor. Complete the application and submit it *to your counselor* along with the following supporting documents on or before

MAY 6:

- Letter of acceptance to an accredited college or university.
- Two letters of recommendation, one from a SOTA art teacher and one from your counselor. You may submit additional recommendation letters from others who are familiar with your artistic achievement.
- Official high school transcript.
- Senior mid-year grade report.
- Financial aid award letter and/or tuition bill.
- Personal Statement: Please answer these questions for the selection committee (submissions must be typed):

How has SOTA shaped your decision to pursue a career in the arts?

Where would you like to be in 5 years?

How will this scholarship help you achieve your goals?

How can you give back to the SOTA community once you become an arts professional?

Award and Expectations of the Scholarship Recipient:

Friends of School of the Arts will administer the scholarship on behalf of the student. Award notification will be sent by **June 6**. The initial award check will be presented at the awards ceremony in June.

The winner will furnish a grade report and proof of continued enrollment to Friends of School of the Arts at 45 Prince Street, Rochester, NY 14607 in June of each year. A scholarship check will be mailed to the student in August of each year. It is the recipient's responsibility to notify Friends of SOTA if there are changes to his/her contact information.

Friends of School of the Arts Alumni Scholarship

Established in June 2008 as a standing committee within the Friends of School of the Arts Board, the Alumni Committee is a group of professional alumni who are committed to SOTA students past and present. Our goal is to heighten awareness within the Rochester community and beyond of the achievements, humanitarian acts and current endeavors of SOTA Alumni. We want to serve as mentors and role models for the existing student body.

The Friends of SOTA Alumni Committee has established a scholarship fund to support students continuing their arts education post high school. This fund will recognize and provide financial support to School of the Arts graduates pursuing post-secondary education in the arts.

For 2016 there will be one \$500.00 award.

Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria:

- Applicant must be a graduating senior from the School of the Arts
- Applicant must possess a 2.5 grade point average or better
- Applicant must be entering a college, university or institute to study the arts(drama, dance, music, performing arts, creative writing, technical arts) for Fall 2015.
- Submit a letter of acceptance into an accredited college or university
- Two letters of recommendation, one from a SOTA art teacher and one from your counselor. You may submit additional recommendation letters from others who are familiar with your artistic achievement.
- Complete Friends of School of the Arts Alumni Committee Scholarship Application
- Submit an official high school transcript
- Submit a senior mid-year grade report
- Submit financial aid award letter and/or tuition bill
- Attach a type written, 500 word essay on the following topic: Please describe your future educational and/or career goals and how SOTA assisted you in pursuing such goals.

Application and Selection Process: Applications are available through school counselors or on FSOTA website friendsofsota.org. Eligible students must complete the application form, and submit with accompanying documentation on or before **MAY 6**. Friends of School of the Arts Alumni Committee will administer the scholarship on behalf of the student. The award will be presented at the awards ceremony in June.

Friends of School of the Arts
Bellas Artes Dance Scholarship

This scholarship fund was established to support high school students with financial need who excel in dance and will continue to study dance in college.

For 2016 the amount of the scholarship award is \$ 500.

Bellas Artes Dance Scholarship Eligibility Criteria:

- Applicant must be a graduating senior from the School of the Arts.
- Applicant must be entering a college or university to study dance.
- Applicant must demonstrate financial need.
- Applicant must possess a minimum grade point average of 2.5.

Bellas Artes Dance Scholarship

Application and Selection Process:

Applications are available from your guidance counselor. Complete the application and submit it *to your counselor* along with the following supporting documents on or before **MAY 6:**

- Letter of acceptance to an accredited college or university.
- A letter of recommendation from your SOTA dance teacher. You may submit additional letters from your counsellor or others who are familiar with your artistic achievement.
- Official high school transcript.
- Senior mid-year grade report.
- Financial aid award letter and/or tuition bill.
- Personal Statement: Please answer these questions for the selection committee (submissions must be typed):
 - How has SOTA shaped your decision to pursue a career in dance?**
 - Where would you like to be in 5 years?**
 - How will this scholarship help you achieve your goals?**
 - How can you give back to the SOTA community once you become an arts professional?**

Award and Expectations of the Scholarship Recipient:

Friends of School of the Arts will administer the scholarship on behalf of the student. The award check will be presented at the awards ceremony in June.

Friends of School of the Arts
Margarette Douyon STEM Scholarship

Established in 2014 in memory of beloved science teacher Margarette Douyon.

This fund will recognize and provide financial support to School of the Arts graduates pursuing post-secondary education in science, technology, engineering or mathematics.

For 2016 there will be one \$500.00 award.

Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria:

- Applicant must be a graduating senior from the School of the Arts
- Applicant must possess a 2.5 grade point average or better
- Applicant must be entering a college, university or institute to study science, technology, engineering or mathematics for Fall 2015.
- Submit a letter of acceptance into an accredited college or university
- Submit one letter of recommendation from a SOTA teacher, counselor, or administrator
- Complete Friends of School of the Arts Scholarship Application
- Submit an official high school transcript
- Submit a senior mid-year grade report
- Submit financial aid award letter and/or tuition bill
- Attach a personal statement about your future educational and/or career goals and how SOTA assisted you in pursuing such goals.

Application and Selection Process: Applications are available through school counselors, on the school website or on FSOTA website friendsofsota.org. Eligible students must complete the application form, and submit with accompanying documentation on or before **MAY 6**. Friends of School of the Arts Alumni Committee will administer the scholarship on behalf of the student. Candidates will be notified at the awards ceremony in June.

Friends of SOTA Creative Writing Scholarship

Established in 2014 with a gift from an anonymous donor.

This fund will recognize and provide financial support to an outstanding creative writing student going on to pursue post-secondary education in any field.

For 2016 there will be one \$500.00 award.

Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria:

- Applicant must be a senior Creative Writing major graduating from the School of the Arts
- Applicant must possess a 2.5 grade point average or better
- Submit a letter of acceptance into an accredited college or university.
- Submit a letter of recommendation from your SOTA creative writing teacher. You may submit additional recommendation letters from your counsellor or others who are familiar with your writing achievement.
- Complete Friends of School of the Arts Scholarship Application
- Submit an official high school transcript
- Submit a senior mid-year grade report
- Submit financial aid award letter and/or tuition bill
- Attach a personal statement about your future educational and/or career goals and how SOTA assisted you in pursuing such goals.

Application and Selection Process: Applications are available through school counselors, on the school website or on FSOTA website friendsofsota.org. Eligible students must complete the application form, and submit with accompanying documentation on or before **MAY 6**. Friends of School of the Arts Alumni Committee will administer the scholarship on behalf of the student. Candidates will be notified at the awards ceremony in June.