

2021

Elaine Ehlers Arts Scholarship Eugenie Coladarci Arts Scholarship

General Information

The Purpose of the Awards

The Elaine Ehlers Arts Scholarship and **The Eugenie Coladarci Arts Scholarship** are awarded by Morris Arts to recognize two graduating high school seniors who have exhibited artistic excellence in dance, drama, music, or the visual arts and who plan to pursue further education in the arts.

History

Elaine Ehlers (1953-2001), a health-care administrator by profession, had a voracious appetite for all things artistic and musical. She derived intellectual and emotional sustenance from the arts and she supported programs at many museums and musical institutions. By establishing this scholarship, an enduring legacy has been created to reward those who possess artistic talent and who plan to further their arts education.

Eugenie R. Coladarci, Vice President of Marketing and Public Relations at Chase Manhattan Bank, was an active member of Morris Arts for eleven years and was completing her first term as Board Chair when she passed away in 1997. As a statewide champion of the arts, Gene encouraged the development of young artists and believed in the value of the arts in their quality of life. The idea of a scholarship to assist talented young people wishing to continue their study in the arts was very important to her.

Eligibility

Applications will be accepted from high school seniors graduating in June 2021 who are currently attending public, private, or parochial school in New Jersey. Applicants must be Morris County residents who plan to pursue post-secondary studies at an accredited institution or acknowledged arts school or fine arts program, and who have demonstrated artistic excellence. Artistic work samples, two (2) brief essays, two (2) letters of recommendation, and a history of artistic activities and/or special awards and recognitions, along with a complete application, are required from all candidates. Children of Morris Arts trustees, staff and panelists are not eligible.

Application & Evaluation Process

The complete application must be emailed to Lsiebert@morrisarts.org no later than **5 PM on January 22, 2021**. Applicants will be judged by a panel of professionals with a high level of expertise in college arts education and/or professional experience. Each artistic discipline will be represented on the panel. Selection of a scholarship winner will be based on artistic excellence as demonstrated by the quality of the work samples and application submitted to the panel. Dedication and character will also be considered. Winners will be notified on or about **February 25, 2021**. The **Elaine Ehlers Arts Scholarship** for 2021 will be awarded in the amount of \$5,000 and The **Eugenie Coladarci Arts Scholarship** for 2021 will be awarded in the amount of \$1,500. Each will be paid directly to the student's selected college/arts program to assist with tuition.

**Elaine Ehlers Arts Scholarship
Eugenie Coladarci Arts Scholarship
2021 Application**

Please complete the information below and submit as a separate document. Each page must be typed and the response to each question numbered correspondingly. Your name must appear at the top of each page. Please submit all materials via email to Lsiebert@morrisarts.org and mark the subject line "Scholarship."

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____

High School: _____

School Street Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip: _____

School Telephone: _____

To which colleges, universities or institutions have you applied?

How will you be pursuing your artistic talent at college? _____

Check the artistic area in which you are applying:

Visual Arts

Dance

Music

Drama

Certification:

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information in this Application is true and accurate.

Signature of Applicant

Date

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Applications due January 22, 2021

Please complete the information below. Each page must be typed and the response to each question numbered correspondingly. Your name must appear at the top of each page. Please submit all materials via email to Lsiebert@morrisarts.org and mark the subject line “Scholarship.”

- 1) List your artistic activities in order of importance to you; include number of years of artistic experience and any special awards or honors.
- 2) Attach an essay of 100-200 words describing what your most gratifying artistic experience has been or why the arts are an important part of your life.
- 3) Attach an essay of 100-200 words stating who your artistic mentor/ideal is and why. You may include a statement about your career plans/goals.
- 4) **Optional:** "Anything else you would like to tell us..." If you believe there is some fact, experience, talent, thought or anything else that did not seem to fit into our application, but which you would like us to take into consideration, let us know about it in this section.

Optional Update Form: (do not include with your application)

This form is provided so that you can file the initial parts of your application in a timely manner. If you have additional information you would like to share with us (e.g. awards, honors, college acceptances) that occurs after you have submitted your application, but before the panel meets to make its final decision, please complete this form and **send it no later than February 12, 2021** to Lsiebert@morrisarts.org and include “Scholarships” on the subject line.

- 5) Two (2) Letters of Recommendation
 - a. One from a professional arts teacher
 - b. One from a high school teacher, counselor or another adult who is knowledgeable about your activities

Letters of Recommendation are to be sent directly from the recommender via email to Lsiebert@morrisarts.org with subject marked as “scholarship recommendation”

(If email is not feasible, submit via the US postal service to Dr. Lynn L. Siebert, 178 Hillcrest Ave., Morristown, NJ 07960.)

Recommendations should be submitted in time for receipt by the January 22nd deadline.

- 6) Submit the samples of your work according to the guidelines below. These are a critical part of your application and should also be submitted to Lsiebert@morrisarts.org.

Please submit videos and/or media as links or attachments – via email – along with the rest of your scholarship application – Do NOT send CDs, DVDs or USB drives in the mail. Send visual art images in JPEG format. Good, high resolution quality JPEGs, recordings or videos are critical to evaluating the artistic quality of the applicant’s work.

Please observe the following requirements for each artistic discipline:

If you are a **visual artist**, submit JPEGs or links containing your 5-10 original works completely executed by you, together with a separate page identifying your name; medium used; size; and title of each artwork. Please also caption each JPEG with your name and the title of the work.

If you are a **dancer**, submit videos or links to videos – comprising two (2) dance pieces of no longer than five (5) minutes each. Please caption each media file with your name and the dance piece title. Then, attach a brief written description of the performance pieces along with your name.

If you are an **actor**, submit videos or links to videos for two monologues of your own choice no longer than three (3) minutes each **or** one monologue and one excerpt from a dramatic production in which you are featured as a main character, no longer than three (3) minutes each. Please caption each video or link with your name and the title of the clip. Then, attach a brief written description of the performance pieces and clearly label with your name.

If you are a **musician**, submit a video or link to an audio or video recording containing full or partial performances of **either** two different solo works **or** two movements from a larger solo piece. The total elapsed time should not exceed ten (10) minutes. Please caption each video or audio link with your name and the title of the work. Then, attach a brief written description of the performance pieces and include your name and identify all persons included in the submitted performance.

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2021 Optional Update Form**

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Name: _____

What's new in your life in terms of art, academics or extracurricular activities or interests? _____

Additional information you would like the panel to know (e.g. awards, honors, college acceptances):

Certification:

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information in this Optional Update Form is true and accurate.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Elaine Ehlers Arts Scholarship Eugenie Coladarci Arts Scholarship 2021 Application Checklist

In order to be a candidate, a **complete** application must be emailed to Lsiebert@morrisarts.org no later than **5 p.m. on January 22, 2021**.

Did you remember to:

- Complete and sign page one of the application?
- Include all additional typed pages, labeled with your name?
- Have two (2) Letters of Recommendations sent to Lsiebert@morrisarts.org?
- Include thoroughly labeled artistic work samples?

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