

2022 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 2022 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. To apply, you will be required to submit links to 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. Children of Morris Arts trustees, staff and panelists are not eligible.

Application & Evaluation Process

The complete application must be emailed to Morris Arts by **5 PM on February 4th, 2022**. 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 **March 8th, 2022**. The **Elaine Ehlers Arts Scholarship** for 2022 will be awarded in the amount of \$5,000 and The **Eugenie Coladarci Arts Scholarship** for 2022 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
2022 Application**

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

Elaine Ehlers Arts Scholarship Eugenie Coladarci Arts Scholarship 2022 Application Requirements

Please complete the information below. Application must be typed and the response to each question numbered correspondingly. Your name must appear at the top of each page.

- 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.
- 5) **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 **email it no later than February 25th, 2022** to: Tom Werder: twerder@morrisarts.org "Scholarships" in the subject line.
- 8) Letter of recommendation from a professional arts teacher. **The letter of recommendation must be emailed directly to Tom Werder: twerder@morrisarts.org** "Scholarships" in the subject line. Email should be from the senders professional email account and should include contact information.
- 9) Letter of recommendation from a high school teacher or counselor or another adult who is knowledgeable about your activities. **The letter of recommendation must be emailed directly to Tom Werder: twerder@morrisarts.org** "Scholarships" in the subject line.
- 10) **WORK SAMPLES:** Include links to samples of your work for submission using DropBox, Google Drive, i-cloud, YouTube or another cloud service. Please double-check that the links work.

Please use the following criteria:

- If you are a **visual artist**, submit link or links containing 5-10 **original** works completely executed by you. Please include an index with the following information: name of artist; medium used; size; and title of each piece.

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- If you are a **dancer**, submit link or links to video containing two (2) dance pieces of no longer than five (5) minutes each. Attach a brief written description of the performance pieces.
- If you are an **actor**, submit link or links to video containing two (2) 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. Attach a brief written description of the performance pieces.
- If you are a **musician**, submit link or links 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. Attach a brief written description of the performance pieces and identify all persons performing.



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2022 Optional Update Form**
(Do not include with your initial application)

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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

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2022 Application Checklist**

In order to be a candidate, a **complete** application must be received by Morris Arts by email no later than **5 p.m. on February 4th, 2022.**

Did you remember to:

- Complete and sign page one of the application?
- Include all additional typed pages, labeled with your name?
- Ask for two (2) Letters of Recommendations to be emailed separately by this deadline?
- Include links to thoroughly labeled artistic work samples?

Send complete applications to:

**Tom Werder: twerder@morrisarts.org
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