AVPA Student Arts Enhancement Grant

Purpose

In order to support Texas A&M undergraduate and graduate students with their research and career goals, the AVPA offers Student Arts Enhancement Grant to support students' *arts-related* scholarly and creative projects, including exhibitions, performances, and publications.

Award Details

Up to \$1,200 will be awarded to a single project. This grant will fund: art work and research that leads to both juried and non-juried public events, exhibition, performance, and publication. Equipment purchased with the grant belongs to Texas A&M University.

Eligibility

Texas A&M University undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to receive the AVPA Student Arts Enhancement Grant. Students must be in good standing with the University. Student applicants must have a faculty advisor attached to the grant and planned project. Awarded funds will be provided to the faculty advisor, who will oversee the use of funds by students. The AVPA Director and the AVPA Advisory Board will adjudicate grant applications.

Application

All proposals must be submitted electronically in PDF format to the AVPA Program Coordinator (avpa@tamu.edu). Proposals must include:

- Cover Sheet: The AVPA Student Arts Enhancement Grant Cover Sheet, including the appropriate department support signatures (Faculty Advisor and Department Head).
- **Project Description**: A narrative description of up to 3 double-spaced pages using Times New Roman 12-point font with one-inch margins. A description of the proposed project and/or the venue, its significance and potential impact on the Arts at TAMU, qualifications of the applicants, and a timeline for completion of the project.
- CV: A CV of the applicant illustrating studies and work relevant to the proposed project.
- **Letter of Support**: An official letter from the faculty advisor explaining the significance of the project to the applicant's educational and career goals.
- Involvement with the AVPA: Include any volunteer work you have contributed to the AVPA and/or AVPA events that you have attended and the impact these artists have had on his/her education. Volunteer work is strongly encouraged. The AVPA office maintains a list of volunteers, if you are interested in volunteering for the AVPA please email the Program Coordinator (avpa@tamu.edu).
- **Budget**: Provide a clear and comprehensive budget including an explanation/justification of funds. Matching funds, if applicable, should also be listed in the budget.

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Evaluation Criteria

Grants will be awarded based on the quality of the application, the evidence of the applicant's capacity to complete the project, the letter of support, and the availability of funds. Priorities will be given to students who have participated AVPA workshops and events.

Proposals must demonstrate:

- 1. The potential of the proposed project to result in outstanding creative and scholarly work;
- 2. The impact of the work on the applicant's study and career;
- 3. The impact of the work on the wider community;
- 4. Applicant's ability to complete the project; and
- 5. The clarity and appropriateness of the proposed budget.

Schedule

The AVPA accepts applications for Student Arts Enhancement Grants on a continuous basis. The grant period is for a maximum of one year. Funding will not reimburse past expenses.

Notification of awards and grants: Within four weeks of the submission date.

Grant Report

Upon completing the project, all recipients are required to provide a report with the following information.

- 1. Itemized expense report;
- 2. Description of the experience and educational and career impacts for the applicant.

The Academy for the Visual and Performing Arts should be appropriately acknowledged in any publicity for the awarded project.

Any student who fails to comply with these reporting requirements will not be eligible for future grants.