



SUN VALLEY CENTER FOR THE ARTS 2014 GAY V. WEAKE SCHOLARSHIP

For high school seniors entering college and college students

Important Dates to Remember

Friday, February 21

Wednesday, March 19

Monday, April 14

Monday, January 12, 2015

Scholarship Application Deadline

Scholarship Notification Emailed

Scholarship Reception for all award recipients and their families

Reports Due to Sun Valley Center for the Arts

Who is Gay V. Weake?

Gay V. Weake was the Executive Director of the Sun Valley Center for the Arts from 1997-2001. A lifelong admirer of the arts and humanities, Ms. Weake graduated from Smith College and enjoyed a successful career in international business before moving to Sun Valley. During her tenure at The Center she recognized that talented young people living in Blaine County often lacked the advanced opportunities for independent studies in the arts and humanities that many students in larger cities enjoy. In response, she created the Scholarship Fund at the Sun Valley Center Wine Auction. The funds go to deserving Blaine County students who need financial assistance pursuing summer arts camps, independent studies with local artists, and other enrichment activities. The scholarship program has expanded beyond her original vision and now includes four separate scholarships: the program for high school students pursuing independent study in the arts and humanities, the Ezra Pound Scholarship for high school juniors studying visual arts, the Gay V. Weake Scholarship for college students pursuing the arts and humanities, and the fourth scholarship for teachers pursuing professional development in the arts and humanities. None of this would have occurred without her vision.

Scholarship Description & Eligibility

The Gay V. Weake Scholarship is for Blaine County high school students entering or continuing college, preference will be given to those majoring in visual arts and/or performing arts; some humanities will be taken into consideration (art history & creative writing). Consideration will only be given to full-time students. Children of full-time Center employees and board members are not eligible for scholarships.

Scholarship Amount

This is a renewable award of up to \$2000 per year in college. It only covers tuition at an accredited college or university and is awarded to one to four students annually.

How are scholarships determined?

Grants will be awarded to Blaine County residents based on their interest, experience, ability, and enthusiasm for their chosen area of study. Financial need will also be taken into consideration.

Application Requirements

- Please note, incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.
- The Center will contact you once the application is received. If you have not heard from us by February 27th, please contact Sarah Kolash at skolash@sunvalleycenter.org.
- To access an application, please visit www.sunvalleycenter.org or our Facebook page at <http://on.fb.me/WJNMah>
- All portions of the application need to be emailed to skolash@sunvalleycenter.org or mailed to the Sun Valley Center for the Arts / ATTN: Sarah Kolash / P.O. Box 656/ Sun Valley, ID 83353.

1. Description of your intended college and major course of study

- This is the only opportunity to introduce yourself and your long-range goals to the committee.
- Please include a link to the college website, a brochure or background material.

2. Two recommendations

- One from a teacher.
- One from someone who is familiar with your experience in your field of study. **No relatives.**
- Forms are available on The Center's website at www.sunvalleycenter.org.

3. Sample of your work

- Digital images, clips or links of your work are preferred. All CDs and DVDs will be returned to you with your notification. Only include work completed within the last two years.

4. Transcript

- Please provide an official transcript from your college or high school registrar's office. Mail it directly to The Center (P.O. Box 656 Sun Valley, ID 83353). An overall 2.5 GPA is required and a 3.0 GPA in courses from your major curriculum are required to be considered for this scholarship.

5. Financial information

- Please submit the first two pages of your parents' tax returns from the last two years. If your parents file separately, we will need information from each of them.
- Fill out and attach the financial information cover sheet to your tax returns.
- To ensure confidentiality, this should be sent to:

Linda P. Chambers, CPA
Re: Sun Valley Center Scholarship Application
Becker, Chambers, and Company
P.O. Box 909
Hailey, ID 83333

- Only the accountant will have access to this information; details will not be shared with the selection committee. Your parents may also attach a cover letter with any pertinent explanations.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP PROCESS

Questions

For questions contact Sarah Kolash, Education Coordinator by phone at 208-726-9491 x 121 or by email skolash@sunvalleycenter.org

Reports

Each scholarship recipient is required to submit a written report about what he or she learned from his or her experience. Videos, tapes, and images are also welcome as part of the report. Reports can be found on the Sun Valley Center for the Arts website www.sunvalleycenter.org. Reports will be due on **Monday, January 12, 2015**. **Students who do not submit reports by this date are ineligible for future scholarships.**

- Gay V. Weake scholarship recipients do not have to apply annually for the award. To renew the scholarship, recipients must complete the report yearly, have official transcripts sent to The Center; maintain status as a full time student in the designated major, and an overall 2.5 GPA and a 3.0 GPA in courses in their major curriculum.

Payments

Checks will be mailed directly to the student's school. Students need to contact The Center upon receipt of scholarship notification to confirm which school they are attending and to provide a mailing address for the school's accounting office.

Judging

Applications are judged by a Scholarship Committee. Members of this committee change yearly and are an independent group. Please read the following suggestions from past committee members on how to best present you in an application:

- APPLICATIONS MUST BE TYPED.
- Be sure the application is complete and all directions are followed.
- Spend time on your essays and make sure that your interest is clearly expressed.
- Have a proposal focused toward definable goals.
- Have someone proofread your application.
- Don't forget to follow up with your recommenders. Did they send it? Did you remember to thank them? Recommendations play a large role in the committee's assessment of each application.
- If you have questions or need help, contact Sarah Kolash at 208-726-9491 x 121.

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To access an application go to our website www.sunvalleycenter.org/ Education and Humanities/ Scholarship Program. Via Facebook visit <http://on.fb.me/WJNMah>

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/STATE _____ ZIP _____

E-MAIL (both child and parent email) _____

CELL PHONE _____

HOME _____ PHONE _____

AGE _____ GRADE/YEAR IN SCHOOL _____ # OF YEARS LIVING IN BLAINE COUNTY _____

SCHOOL NAME _____

MOTHER'S NAME _____ DAYTIME PHONE# _____

FATHER'S NAME _____ DAYTIME PHONE# _____

ARE YOU APPLYING FOR OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS? _____

IF SO, LIST THE AMOUNT AND ORGANIZATION (S) TO WHOM YOU ARE SENDING APPLICATIONS

*YOU ARE EXPECTED TO INFORM THE CENTER OF ANY OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS RECEIVED FOR THIS PROGRAM.

IF NOT CURRENTLY ENROLED IN COLLEGE, WHERE DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OR WHERE HAVE YOU APPLIED? _____

WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT OR INTENDED MAJOR? _____

WHAT IS YOUR INTENDED YEAR OF COLLEGE GRADUATION? _____

YEARLY COST OF TUITION _____ ROOM _____ BOARD _____ BOOKS _____ OTHER _____

WHAT AMOUNT ARE YOU/YOUR FAMILY ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE? _____

IF ZERO, PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY IN A SEPARATE DOCUMENT.

AREA OF INTEREST FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION:

VISUAL ARTS: PAINTING____ DRAWING____ PRINTMAKING____ ARCHITECTURE____ DESIGN____
CERAMICS____ SCULPTURE____ PHOTOGRAPHY____
OTHER VISUAL ARTS MEDIA _____

PERFORMING ARTS: VOICE____ INSTRUMENT____ DANCE____ THEATER____ FILM____ OTHER____
PERFORMING ARTS AREAS _____

HUMANITIES: CREATIVE WRITING____ ART HISTORY____
OTHER HUMANITIES AREAS _____

ESSAY QUESTIONS

PLEASE ATTACH YOUR ANSWERS IN A SEPARATE DOCUMENT.

ALL ESSAYS MUST BE TYPED.

1. LIST PAST AND CURRENT SCHOOL-RELATED ACTIVITIES.
2. LIST COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES.
3. LIST VOLUNTEER SERVICE.
4. LIST WORK EXPERIENCE.
5. LIST AWARDS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.
6. DESCRIBE YOUR INTEREST IN YOUR AREA OF STUDY. **Use no fewer than seven sentences.**
7. DESCRIBE YOUR BACKGROUND IN YOUR AREA OF INTEREST, SPECIFY WHAT PROGRAMS YOU ATTENDED OR PROJECTS YOU PURSUED PRIOR TO COLLEGE, OR PRIOR TO YOUR SENIOR YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL.
8. DESCRIBE YOUR PLANS FOR THE FUTURE AND HOW THIS SCHOLARSHIP WILL HELP YOU ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS.

RECOMMENDERS

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION IN CASE WE NEED TO CONTACT YOUR RECOMMENDERS.

Name	Relationship to Applicant	Phone/Email
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____



FINANCIAL COVER SHEET

SEND TAX INFORMATION TO:

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Due: Friday, February 21st, 2014

Please attach this to the first two pages of your parents' tax returns from the last two years.

APPLICANT'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____

MOTHER'S FULL NAME _____

MOTHER'S ADDRESS AND PHONE IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT

FATHER'S FULL NAME _____

FATHER'S ADDRESS AND PHONE IF DIFFERENT FROM APPLICANT
