

Department of Art Student Awards 2026

- **Portal Opens:** October 31
- **Deadline:** November 15 at 11:59 pm

Important Note: Applying early is recommended to avoid portal congestion on the last day. Late applications will not be accepted.

The Department of Art offers various awards to Studio Art students who demonstrate exceptional accomplishments, with award amounts ranging from \$300 to \$1,000. To be eligible for all these awards, you must submit an application through Academic Works. A strong application will significantly increase your chances of being selected!

Please note that all awards will be applied to your Financial Aid package, and you must be an actively enrolled student for Spring 2027 when funds are awarded. If you have specific questions about how the award will be applied, please contact the Financial Aid office directly. All BA, BFA, and MFA Studio Art students in good academic standing and enrolled for the Fall 2026 – Spring 2027 terms are eligible to apply. Award recipients can expect the funds to be applied to their FSU accounts early in the Spring 2027 semester.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

To apply, visit <https://fsu.academicworks.com/>. After logging in, complete the General Application first, then proceed to the Art Award application. Both sections must be completed for your application to be considered. Full instructions can be found in the Awards Application Guidelines linked below.

To strengthen your application, follow these steps:

Artist's Statement (150-300 words):

- Start with a brief bio and explain the core ideas behind your work.

Selecting Your Artwork (5-8 images):

- Ensure your images are well-photographed, under 2MB, and in jpg or png format.
- For videos, upload to Vimeo or YouTube and provide the link.
- Format still images to 1080x1080 pixels at 72dpi, with a black or white border.
- Poor photographic documentation will keep good work from being chosen.

Describing Your Artwork:

- Include the title, size, medium, and completion date for each image.
- Expand on the concepts mentioned in your Artist's Statement.

Additional Achievements:

- Highlight any recent accomplishments or activities you want the faculty to know about. Include:
 - Scholarships, residencies, and community projects
 - Awards (name and date received)
 - Volunteer work (activity and hours)
 - Leadership roles in student organizations

Special Note: Completing this application may take several days and require focused effort. Investing time and thought will greatly improve your chances of success. Additionally, this preparation will be valuable for future award applications, both on and off campus.

Sample applications and tips for writing your artist statement are available on the department website:

https://cfa.fsu.edu/art/wp-content/uploads/sites/8/2020/01/Example1_Grad.pdf

<https://cfa.fsu.edu/art/wp-content/uploads/sites/8/2020/01/Tips-on-How-to-Write-an-Artist-Statment.pdf>