

# 2020 BETTY ANN DARBY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



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## **The Florence Regional Arts Alliance** In collaboration with **Honda of South Carolina**

### **Program Overview:**

The Betty Ann Darby Scholarship Program awards graduating seniors who will be pursuing advanced academic or professional degrees in an arts discipline or in arts education. The Arts Alliance will award three scholarships. Two \$1000 scholarships and one \$500 scholarship will be awarded. To be considered, seniors' primary resident must be in Florence County or be graduating from a Florence County public or private high school. Applications are open to home-school and private school students.

The Betty Ann Darby Scholarships are merit scholarships awarded predominantly on the basis of demonstrated talent, passion for the arts and intention to pursue a major in an arts discipline (visual, literary, or performing arts) or in arts education. All application and support materials are due to the Florence Regional Arts Alliance on or before ~~Tuesday, March 10, 2020~~. Due to school closures the FRAA extended the due date to Friday, May 1, 2020. This is a postmarked deadline or electronic submission deadline, meaning that applications must be postmarked or electronically submitted no later than the stated date Friday, May 1, 2020 INCOMPLETE or late applications or support materials will not be accepted. Applications and materials may be emailed to Mrs. Sandra Cook at [director@florenceartsalliance.org](mailto:director@florenceartsalliance.org) or mailed to:

**Florence Regional Arts Alliance**  
**PO Box 3871**  
**Florence, SC 29502-3871**

Submission questions may also be directed to Mrs. Sandra Cook at 843.407.3092 or [director@florenceartsalliance.org](mailto:director@florenceartsalliance.org).

### **Application Checklist:**

The items listed below make up the completed Betty Ann Darby Scholarship Program Application. All items should be turned in together. **Each checklist item is explained in detail in the enclosed application.**

- Applicant Info
- Application Information & Essay
- Official Transcript
- Three (3) Recommendation Letters
- Support Materials

**2020 BETTY ANN DARBY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION**

**Applicant Info:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' or Guardians' Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

High School Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Where do you plan to enroll for college? \_\_\_\_\_

What is/are your intended major(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:**

*I certify by my signature below that this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any misrepresentation whatsoever is cause for denial of an application or termination of a scholarship if such has been previously awarded.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**About the Betty Ann Darby Scholarship Program:**

*These prestigious merit-based awards are funded by Honda of South Carolina and individual contributions designated to the Arts Alliance's scholarship program. They are given in honor and in memory of Ms. Betty Ann Darby. Ms. Darby was a member of the South Carolina Music Educators Hall of Fame, She was a much beloved and highly revered former administrator and teacher who served Florence Public School District One for almost forty years.*





## **2020 APPLICATION BETTY ANN DARBY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION & ESSAY**

Please provide the following information in a separate document or documents. Submissions must be typed and, if submitted electronically, sent as a PDF or shared as a Google doc with viewing access provided, to [director@florenceartsalliance.org](mailto:director@florenceartsalliance.org).

- 1. List all school arts activities in which you have participated. Include any offices held.*
- 2. List all other school activities in which you have participated. Include any offices held.*
- 3. List all community arts activities in which you have participated. Explain your involvement.*
- 4. List all other community activities in which you have participated. Explain your involvement.*
- 5. Indicate all honors, awards, and other special recognitions you have received.*
- 6. Indicate all schools, colleges and universities to which you have been accepted.*

### **Essay**

In no more than two (2) typed pages, please respond to the following:

*Why have you chosen to study the specific arts area(s) you have chosen? Be specific regarding your chosen arts discipline and intended major. Indicate when and how you became involved in the arts as well as why you have continued to be involved. Specify your goals for pursuing an academic or professional degree in your intended major(s). Also address your ultimate career goals and how your studies relate to those goals.*

If you have questions, contact Sandra Cook at [director@florenceartsalliance.org](mailto:director@florenceartsalliance.org).



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### **Official Transcript:**

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that an official transcript is submitted and included with the application packet.

### **Recommendation Letters:**

Three recommendation letters should be included in the application packet. The letters of recommendation can be from anyone that has been involved with the applicant's academic or community activities. Letters from family members will not be accepted.

Those writing recommendation letters are encouraged to consider the applicant's dependability, motivation, tendency to exceed expectations, attitude toward learning, character, passion for the arts, and talent.

### **Support Materials:**

Please include a representative sampling of your work in your primary arts discipline. Although an applicant's sampling does not need to be professionally produced, the Awarding Committee regards quality of recording or production as important as the quality of performance.

*Support material of images or video may be submitted electronically as .jpeg, PDF, or shared to: [director@florenceartsalliance.org](mailto:director@florenceartsalliance.org). CD or DVD will not be accepted. Please call the FRAA at 843-407-3092 or email Mrs. Sandra Cook at [director@florenceartsalliance.org](mailto:director@florenceartsalliance.org) with any submission concerns.*

Visual art samples should include a maximum of three (3) images. Audio/video samples should include three (3) samples not to exceed a total maximum of eight (8) minutes. Literary samples should include 3 samples not to exceed a total maximum of six (6) pages in twelve-(12) point type.

**All applicants are strongly encouraged to give serious thought with respect to the best means for effectively showcasing their talent. For example, still photographs of a student seeking to pursue drama would not be as effective as a monologue or other video scene.**

**Support materials are considered an integral part of the total application package and will be retained for documentation purposes.**

**Note:** Do not bind application materials in any way other than with binder clips or paper clips. The applicant's name should appear on all pages and each support material piece.