

DUSTIN PEERS MEMORIAL VISUAL ARTS AWARD

This award was established in 2012 in memory of Dustin Peers by his family and friends. The purpose of the award is to assist Calgary students graduating from Central Memorial High School and other Calgary Board of Education (CBE) and the Calgary Catholic School District (CCSD) schools in pursuing studies in visual arts and arts-related careers.

DONOR:	Endowed by the family and friends of Dustin Peers
WHERE TENABLE:	Centre for Performing & Visual Arts at Central Memorial High School in the CBE and other CBE and CCSD high schools
FIELD OF STUDY:	Visual Arts (the arts created primarily for visual perception – ceramics, drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, design, crafts, and photography)
VALUE:	\$4,200 (\$2,100/year for each of two years)
NUMBER:	Two – a minimum of one for Central Memorial High and the second open to all CBE and CCSD high school students
ELIGIBILITY:	<p>Open to students registered in the Centre for Performing & Visual Arts at Central Memorial High and other CBE and CCSD schools who are completing the requirements of a high school diploma. Applicants must have demonstrated artistic ability and a desire to develop these skills. Consideration may also be given to students demonstrating financial need.</p> <p>Applicants must submit a sample of their visual arts portfolio consisting of a minimum of five (5) pieces, at least one of which was created outside of their academic requirements. Applicants must also submit an essay/statement demonstrating their passion for the arts, their artistic achievements and their future goals. The essay must be no more than 500 words in length (one page, typed or printed).</p> <p>Students with financial need should provide a separate “statement of financial need” explaining their financial situation/circumstances.</p> <p>Selection of the successful recipient will be based on the following in the order of priority: academic GPA in grade 12 and Alberta Education High School Fine Arts Credits, portfolio/artwork, essay/ statement, with consideration being given to financial need.</p>
APPLY:	Online application available at www.educationmatters.ca . Applicants should check with their guidance office for more information and are encouraged to discuss their application with the Scholarship Coordinator at their high school.
SELECTION & PAYMENT:	Recipients are selected in August and will be notified by September. The selection committee shall include a member or a representative of the Peers family. To claim the award, within two (2) years of high school graduation the recipient must be registered in an eligible program of post-secondary study of at least two years duration leading to a degree or diploma in a field that leads to an art-related career. Payments are made to the post-secondary institution upon proof of registration in equal installments with confirmation of enrollment during each academic term. A Payment Activation Form must be received by EducationMatters no later than three (3) months after the beginning of each academic term.
DEADLINE:	May 30