

Top of the Heap 2013

Ashcan Studio of Art Scholarship

Application Guidelines

- **Application Deadline: March 19, 2013**; winners announced in April 2013
- **Eligibility:**
 - High School students in 9th - 11th Grade (and up)* in the NYC and Nassau County areas.
 - Family Income below \$80,000 Annually
 - 11th grade applicants should be planning to pursue a college education in Art, Design, Architecture or related field
- **Scholarship Awards:**
 - **Grand Prize (11th Grade & up):**
 - **One full year of College Portfolio Preparation classes** (generally 3 or more 4-hour classes per week during the school year) and a summer intensive of at least 5 classes per week.
 - Professional photography of student's portfolio to use for college applications
 - Mentoring, planning & assistance with the entire college application process
 - **Grand Prize (9th-10th Grade):**
 - **8 Week Summer Intensive** including 3 x 4-hour art classes per week
 - Professional photography of works of art created throughout the session

○ **Simple Application Process:**

- Print and complete application form (pg. 4 of this document); be sure to sign and date form and have parent or guardian sign and date form if you're under 18.
- CD or weblink (i.e. Tumblr, blog, etc.) with 8-10 jpeg images of applicant's best works of art (clearly labeled with name, grade, phone number & Ashcan location applying to; either Little Neck, Queens or Midtown Manhattan) **and** an Image List including: title, date completed, medium used, size for each image submitted
- A one page or less essay addressing the following:
 - (all applicants) Why are you interested in pursuing an education in art and/or design?
 - (applicants whose GPA is below 2.8) Please address the circumstances surrounding your grades and how you are working towards a successful career.
- (applicants whose GPA is 2.8 & above) A copy of most recent high school transcript or an official letter from your guidance counselor stating your accumulative GPA up to this point. (Preference will be given to those applicants with higher GPAs *however* applicants showing promise in the visual arts, regardless of grades, will be considered for the scholarship and should feel encouraged to apply.)
- In the event of a tie-breaker, we may conduct interviews of candidates for ultimate selection.

○ **Specifications**

- There will be a total of 2 grand prizes awarded to the 11th grade & up group. There will be one winner at our Little Neck, Queens location and an additional winner via the Joan Mitchell Foundation Special Nomination ** for our Manhattan location will be selected.
- There will be a total of 4 grand prizes awarded to 9th & 10th graders. There will be one winner each for our Manhattan and Little Neck, Queens location and two additional winners via the Joan Mitchell Foundation

Special Nomination ** for our Little Neck, Queens location will be selected.

- 2nd & 3rd Place Runners Up will receive art supply awards; we will select two runners up for each category at each location
- Scholarships must be used between April 2013 - March 2014.

*Students beyond 11th grade, should be planning to apply, or apply for transfer if enrolled in college, to college majoring in Art, Design, Architecture or related field, for admission in the Fall of 2014

Top of the Heap 2013: Ashcan Studio of Art Scholarship Application Form

Please read application guidelines (above) fully before completing application.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Telephone _____

Alternate Email (or parent's email): _____

Alternate Telephone (or parent's phone): _____

Current Grade Level: 9th 10th 11th 12th not in school college

*Please note: applicants in 11th grade and up should be planning to apply to college for admission in the Fall of 2014 (students planning to begin college in the Fall of 2013 should not apply)

Current School: _____

Do you currently attend Joan Mitchell Foundation art classes? Yes No

Ashcan Studio Location Applying to (select 1):

Little Neck, Queens

Midtown Manhattan

Would you be willing and able to attend the other location if need be? Yes No

Cumulative GPA (if 2.8 or above, please attach current transcript or letter from Guidance Counselor stating GPA; if below 2.8 please address in required essay): _____

Application Checklist (please carefully review the application process above regarding each requirement):

- Completed Application Form
- School Transcript or Letter from Counselor stating GPA (if GPA is 2.8 or up)
- Required Essay
- CD with images *or* web address (if using to submit images): _____ web address here _____
- Image List

Signatures:

By signing below, I certify that all the information submitted is true and agree that my total annual gross household income is below \$80,000, as required by the application regulations.

Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian (if applicant is under 18): _____ Date: _____

Mail all materials, postmarked by March 19, 2013, to:

Ashcan Studio of Art
Attn: Scholarship Competition
252-20 Northern Blvd. Suite 209
Little Neck, NY 11362