

THE WILLIAM & JANET LAHEY ART EDUCATION AND VISUAL ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

William Lahey served as Assistant Vice Chancellor, Faculty and Staff Affairs from October 1966 until he retired on June 1986. He came to the California State University from federal civil service to the position of Statewide Dean of Faculty. William and his wife Jan lived in Huntington Harbor. Jan was an avid volunteer with the Long Beach Art Museum and William would invite staff to join them for special receptions and exhibit openings. By supporting Summer Arts and scholarships for visual arts students, they are furthering both William's commitment to education and Jan's passion for the arts.

The William & Janet Lahey Art Education and Visual Arts Scholarship will have two (2) \$10,000 scholarships available for the 2023-2024 academic year for students in a post-baccalaureate program leading to a high school single subject teaching credential in the arts. The annual scholarship will be sufficient to cover tuition & fees and provide an additional small stipend. Each campus may nominate one student.

Scholarship recipients must meet each of the following requirements:

- Be enrolled at a California State University campus at least half-time;
- Possess a bachelor's degree in art or in one of the visual art specializations;
- Be enrolled in one of the following programs:
 - A post baccalaureate program leading to a high school single subject teaching credential in the arts;
 - A Master of Fine Arts program in art or one of the visual arts specialization; or
 - A Master of Arts program in art or one of the visual arts specializations.
- Be in good academic standing with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on an 4.0 scale
- Priority consideration will be given to scholarship applications in the following order:
 - First priority will be given to students enrolled in a program leading to a single subject teaching credential in the arts;
 - Second priority will be given to students enrolled in a graduate program in art or one of the visual arts specializations;
 - Third priority will be given to eligible students who have a record of volunteer activities in the arts or who are currently engaged in arts volunteer activities in schools or community arts organizations.

If you have nominees in the first priority, please do not send other nominees from the second or third priorities

Completed applications submitted by the campus Financial Aid Office to the CSU Foundation include the following:

Personal Statement (300 word count for each):

1. What experience has impacted your personal growth?
2. Tell us about a time you failed. What did you learn from that experience?
3. Why are you pursuing your major? How does it relate to your career aspirations?
4. Provide an example of service beyond the classroom (i.e., have you taken on significant family obligations, helped others in a specific way, been involved in political action, worked/volunteered/interned at a particular organization, etc.). Why is this example significant to you?

Supplemental Question (300 word count)

5. Please share your commitment to arts education or to community arts organizations.

Two recommendations from faculty members who can certify the student's enrollment in a qualifying program and intent to contribute to art education in the schools or to visual arts may be requested.

Contact the Financial Aid Department for the **Spring Application Deadline**.