Description of Awards:

The Department of ART Talent Award is a tuition award based upon the quality and caliber of student work. The Talent Award is available for all incoming (high school & pre-majors) and continuing students in the Department of ART. Programs included Drawing, Painting, Printmaking, New Genre, Ceramics & Sculpture. Awards are deposited into the student’s University account for tuition and are not given as cash awards. They will be applied to student’s tuition as soon as the student is registered for the required number of credit hours, (i.e. Fall/Winter – 14 hours; Sp/Su – 6 hours).

Eligibility:

This application is for all students currently in the program, and high school students applying for fall semester.

The granting of a Talent Award does not mean a student has been admitted to the University. All University admission requirements must be met before an award can be granted. Acceptance to the Department of ART through a Talent Award will require those accepted students to complete the Freshman Core Program (ART 226, ART 114, ART 115, ART 133) within the first year before they can move on in their program.

The student must be registered for a minimum number of credit hours during the semesters for which the award is granted. Fall/Winter – 14 hours each semester; Spring/Summer – 6 hours each term. Anyone on probation, warning, etc. will not be permitted to receive talent award (scholarship) funds.

General Information:

The deadline for Talent Award Applications is 12 midnight on the due date, February 1st. See the secretary for actual dates or visit the talent award application on art.byu.edu. Applicants are required to submit a portfolio online. The results of the review will not be complete until April. Students will receive a letter letting them know whether or not they received the award money. We cannot tell students over the phone.

The Talent Awards are for the semester(s) chosen to receive the award (i.e., Spring/Summer or Fall/Winter semesters). Students must indicate the semester(s) for which they are applying on the Talent Award Application form. Students may indicate more than one semester.

Please be aware that awards CANNOT be transferred between Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter semesters. If a student receives an award for Spring/Summer semester(s) the student should plan on attending school during Spring/Summer.

Talent Awards are not renewable. Students should reapply for a Talent Award each February for the following year.
Online portfolios will be carefully reviewed; therefore, considerable attention should be given to the portfolio composition. The portfolio should contain no more than 10 items of work.

Results of the Talent Award review are announced via mail during the month of April. The Department of ART usually has an Awards Night to recognize those students who received the Talent Awards. Please be aware you may get an email inviting you to the Awards Night before you get a letter letting you know if you got the Talent Award. If you get an invitation please plan on attending the Awards Night if you can.

All incoming students and continuing students are required to submit no more than 10 pieces of work which represent the student’s best work. Below is a brief statement of what each area expects to see in an incoming student online portfolio or actual work portfolio. This is not meant to be comprehensive. If you have any other questions on the portfolio requirements please check with the ART secretaries in E509 Harris Fine Arts Center.

**Portfolio Guidelines:**

**Art Education**

The portfolio for applicants to the Art Education program should represent a broad spectrum of the student’s best work in Studio Arts. New incoming students will need to include a written statement (1 page typed) describing why you want to be an art teacher. Continuing students will need to include a written statement describing the current involvement in the Art Education Student Chapter or other Art Ed activities.

**Studio Arts (Drawing/Painting, Printmaking, New Genre, Ceramics/Sculpture)**

This portfolio should represent your best and most recent work. You should take special care to ensure that the digital images you submit be of the highest quality and accurately represent your work.

- For incoming high school students we are looking specifically for evidence of your technical ability, your aptitude in composition, and a sense of your artistic focus.
- For BA students you will need to include the benchmark assignments completed in your core classes. Additionally, you are welcome to include images previously submitted with your BA application.
- For BFA students we would like to see work that reflects a strong personal voice and a sense of maturity in the selection of content and areas of artistic expression.

For questions contact Sonya Schiffman at sonya_schiffman@byu.edu.