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2026 Scholarship Summary
Korum Family Arts Scholarship - \$2,500

The Washington State Fair Foundation is pleased to present scholarship opportunities to students for continuing education. Scholarship awards are made possible through the generosity of the Foundation's donors and Board of Directors.

Scholarship Description: The Korum Family Arts Scholarship is intended to promote appreciation for the arts, to encourage young artists in the pursuit of their artistic and educational growth and to showcase the uniqueness of Washington State. Two \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors who complete the online application process **and** enter their art by the deadline. Recipients must use the scholarship in order to attend a college, university or career/trade school of his or her choice. Monies will be forwarded directly to the recipient's educational institution and must be utilized within 24 calendar months of the date of its award; thereafter it is forfeited. Applicants are responsible for delivering or shipping their art to the Washington State Fair by the intended deadline.

"Uniqueness of Washington" art entry criteria:

- Scholarships are open to any eligible high school senior (2025-2026 school year) who completes the online application process **and** submits eligible artwork.
- Art is limited to one entry per student.
- Students must complete the online application **and** submit their art in person or by mail to be eligible. Application closes on February 2, 2026, and art is due by February 10, 2026.
- Entries should showcase the uniqueness of Washington State – i.e.: *share what makes Washington special to you*
- Types of art accepted include painting, drawing, photography and graphic design.
- Entries should be no larger than 20" x 20" and unframed.
- ***Original artwork only.***
- Students must have a minimum 2.7 GPA
- Students must be residents of Washington
- Entries will be judged on creativity, composition, and technique, as well as how effectively the entry celebrates the uniqueness of Washington State.
- Art must be delivered in a portfolio or protective container.
 - Students name and school name should be included on the portfolio and the students contact information should be on the back of the art entry – please print clearly and include the art piece title, student name, mailing address, email and phone number. Please also include school name, art teacher's name and city.
- Artwork must be suitably matted with posterboard, matboard or foam board. Frames are NOT allowed.
- Winning art will be displayed during the Spring Fair in April
- Art entries may be mailed to the Fair at the artists expense and must be received by the Fair no later than Friday, February 13th. Send art to:
 - **Washington State Fair Foundation**
 - **Attn: Kim Arnone**
 - **110 9th Ave. SW**
 - **Puyallup, WA 97371**

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- Korum Scholarship Art entries submitted by mail will be returned by mail if the artist's mailing address is further than 35 miles from the Fairgrounds. Return postage will be paid courtesy of the Washington State Fair Foundation. Artwork mailed within 35 miles of the Fair needs to be picked up.
 - In person art pickup is Tuesday, April 21, 2026, between 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM. If other pickup times are needed please make arrangements by contacting scholarships@thefair.com.
- The Fair is not responsible for mailed artwork that is lost or damaged in the mail.
- Unclaimed art will be forfeited after 30 days.
- By submitting the artwork, the student agrees that Korum for Kids Foundation and Washington State Fair Foundation are granted reproduction rights.
- Upon award, the recipients are required to complete an Award Form and submit it along with a JPG photo and photo release, and brief personal biography (required forms will be provided to scholarship recipients).
- Award monies will be held for distribution to college, university or career/trade school. Funds not distributed within 24 months will be forfeited.

For questions regarding the Korum Family Art Scholarship please contact Kim Arnone, Foundation Coordinator, 253-841-5120 or kima@thefair.com.

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