

James F. Carlson Fine Arts Scholarships



Sponsored by the Community Arts Council of Kankakee County

The James F. Carlson Fine Arts Scholarship is sponsored by the Community Arts Council of Kankakee County. This award provides at least one \$250 Scholarship for deserving Kankakee County Area students to attend a summer arts camp in the field of dance, music, drama, visual art, creative writing or other fine arts discipline. The Scholarship is named in memory of the late James F. Carlson, a long-time Arts patron and Past-President of the Community Arts Council.

Who can apply?

Any student currently in 7th through 12th grade in Kankakee County may apply. Students must be participants in fine arts courses/activities. Preference will be given to students who also participate in CAC-member organizations. **A list of CAC members is available on-line at www.communityartscouncil.org.**

How will applicants be selected?

The scholarship committee will look at the following criteria:

1. Applicant participation in CAC-member organizations.
2. Successful participation in fine arts courses and/or activities within the school fine arts programs or in the community.
3. Recommendation(s) of past or current fine arts instructor(s).
4. Written Essay.

How do I apply?

You will need to complete the following steps:

1. Fill out the attached Scholarship Form.
2. Submit a letter(s) of recommendation from a past or current fine arts instructor(s).
3. If you participate in a CAC-member organization(s), submit a letter(s) of recommendation from an officer or member of that group (see **Who Can Apply?**).
4. Complete an essay in response to the following questions:
 - a. What do the Arts mean to you?
 - b. What role do the Arts play in the community?
 - c. How will this art experience improve your artist skills within the community?

Mail all of these materials in one envelope to Community Arts Council, Attention: Scholarship Committee, 2025 W Garden Dr., Kankakee, IL 60901. **All materials must be received by March 15th to be considered. Recipients will be notified by March 31st of the results.** For questions, contact the Scholarship Committee, Helen DuFour by e-mail at helendu4@netzero.net