

City of Sonoma

No. 1 The Plaza
Sonoma California 95476-6690
Phone (707) 938-3681 Fax (707) 938-8775
E-Mail: cityhall@sonomacity.org



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DATE: February 9, 2024
CONTACT: Sarah Tracy, PIO
EMAIL: stracy@sonomacity.org
PHONE: (707) 338-3759

City of Sonoma seeks entries for 2024 Student Creative Artist Award

Online entries will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. Friday, April 5, 2024

SONOMA, CA --- The City of Sonoma (City) Cultural and Fine Arts Commission (CFAC) announced this week that they are now accepting entries for the 2024 Student Creative Arts Award Program. This award program is open to high school juniors and seniors who reside within the Sonoma Valley Unified School District boundary and demonstrate promise in the visual, literary, or performing arts. The deadline to submit an entry is April 5, 2024.

Since the program began in 1988, the CFAC has awarded over \$50,000 to 79 student artists. Awards have been given to students working in a variety of artistic mediums over the years including visual arts, animation, film production, music, cinematography, photography, dance, design, performance, theater arts, and creative writing.

Students interested in being considered for an award should submit an online application including samples of their best work and a 200-500 word "Artist Statement" explaining the role that art has played in their life and what their plans are for continuing their artistic training by the April 5th deadline. The online entry form can be found on the City's website at:

www.sonomacity.org/documents/student-creative-artist-award-entry-form/.

Finalists will be notified by April 15, 2024, and must be available to participate in an in-person interview with the CFAC commissioners during their special meeting on April 25, 2024. Winners are awarded up to a \$2,000 cash award to be used for the furtherance of their artistic abilities, education, or career.

Find more information and a list of past Student Creative Artist Award recipients on the City's website at: www.sonomacity.org/student-creative-artist-award/. For questions, please contact Sarah Tracy, Sr. Management Analyst and PIO, by calling (707) 338 -3759 or email stracy@sonomacity.org.

###