## The Middletown Township Cultural and Arts Council's ALFRED D. FAUST MEMORIAL Achievement in the Arts Scholarship

The award is a check in an amount to be determined annually (usually \$1000) presented to one or more graduating high school seniors who have made a significant contribution to the arts. The winner(s) will be selected by a committee of the Middletown Township Cultural and Arts Council. The committee will evaluate applicants based on the artistic merits and notable achievements in the arts made by the applicant during his or her tenure in high school without prejudice or discrimination. The number of scholarships awarded each year varies and is determined by funding received.

## **Eligibility: THE APPLICANT MUST BE**

- 1. a full-time Middletown resident
- 2. a graduating senior in an accredited High School program
- 3. enrolled in an accredited college, university, or other institution of higher learning during the 2024-25 school year and be pursuing studies in the arts.

## Criteria:

- 1. The applicant must possess specific knowledge and expertise in an area of the arts. For the purpose of this scholarship, the arts include the visual arts (painting, drawing, illustration, photography, graphic design, etc) music (instrumental or vocal) theatre, dance. The applicant should have attained a level of achievement in their specific area of interest that is notable among their peers.
- 2. The applicant should have a record of involvement, service, and contribution in their school and/or community relating to their specific discipline.

## **TO APPLY**

All documents MUST be submitted electronically. Applicants should send an email to <u>MiddletownArtsCentermail@gmail.com</u> with the words "Al Faust 2024 Scholarship " in the Subject line and include the following attachments:

- 1. Submit a scan of one letter of recommendation from instructors, guidance counselors, teachers, directors or other qualified individuals in affiliated organizations that substantiate the level of accomplishment attained. (For example, a dancer might include a letter of recommendation from a certified dance instructor that attests to the skill of the student. A vocalist may submit a letter of recommendation from a chorale or choir director.) Letters of recommendation must be signed and must include the contact information of the person making the recommendation. If you prefer, letters of recommendation can be emailed directly to <a href="MiddletownArtsCentermail@gmail.com">MiddletownArtsCentermail@gmail.com</a> with the words Al Faust Scholarship-applicant's name in the subject line.
- 2. Submit an original essay entitled "My Achievement in the Arts." Essays should be no more than two type-written pages, double-spaced, in a 12-point font. New this year in lieu of the Essay, a student may submit a video.
- 3 Submit a resume that outlines your experience, contributions, notable achievements, awards, etc. as they specifically relate to the arts. Limit of two supporting documents may also be included
- 4 Sign, date, scan and submit the completed application form.

Middletown Township Cultural and Arts Council, Inc. Alfred D. Faust Scholarship 2024 Application

Applicant's name:

Applicant's Complete Address:

Phone number:

Applicant's High School:

Date of anticipated graduation:

College/University planning to attend: (College/University Applied to – First Choice)

Anticipated start date: Intended course of study:

Emailed Attachments required:

- 1. Letter of recommendation
- 2. Original essay "My Achievement in the Arts"
- 3. Resume

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NO LATER THAN WED MAY 31, 2024 <a href="Late entries will not be accepted.">Late entries will not be accepted.</a>

Only complete applications will be reviewed. The Middletown Township Cultural and Arts Council reserves the right to make no award during this calendar year at their own discretion, should no qualified student apply. Any applicant accepting this award agrees that these scholarship funds will be applied to their continuing education in the arts.

Applicant's Signature:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Please note that hard copies of the application will not be accepted. Every applicant will receive an email confirming the receipt of documents. If you do not receive an email from the Middletown Arts Center confirming receipt within three business days, please call (732) 706-4100. All applications must be submitted by midnight MAY 31, 2024 Late submissions will not be accepted. Please read application instructions carefully and call if you have any questions.