

Shiawassee Arts Council

2026 High School Art Scholarship Competition Information

This program is designed to provide recognition and financial assistance to high school art students as a means of helping them in their artistic growth. All students in Shiawassee County, including Ovid and Chesaning, grades 9-12, are encouraged to participate.

Prizes: Up to **\$2000 Total in Awards**. This includes a \$600 Janis Kazen Award given to a graduating high school senior who plans to further their art education at a college or university. It also includes an unspecified number of awards for students in grades 9-12.

Artwork: All types of original artwork accepted. *No work may be copied from other artwork or published photographs.* All 2-dimensional work must be matted, mounted or framed and follow our hanging guidelines. Artwork will be hung and displayed on tables. Seniors may submit up to three pieces. All others may submit up to two pieces. A completed Entry Tag must be attached with tape to the backside upper right corner of each piece.

Artist Statement: It has been suggested that if the students want to submit an artist statement with a piece of work, it is an option, but not a requirement.

Check-In: Artwork will be accepted at the Shiawassee Arts Center on Monday, April 20, 9 am - 5 pm. Please bring a completed Registration Form for each student. (Print clearly).

Set up and judging is on Tuesday, April 21. The reception is Sunday, April 26, 1-3 pm with awards presented at 3pm. The Scholarship Show will be open to the public April 22 - 24 10am-5pm, Saturday, April 25, noon - 3pm and Sunday, April 26, noon - 3pm.

Pick up: Artwork must be picked up following the reception/awards on Sunday, April 26. There is a new exhibit of art work being brought in on Monday, April 27 and the gallery needs to be free of scholarship work. Please make arrangements to have work picked up by someone if the student or teacher are unable to do so.

Judging: A qualified judge from outside of Shiawassee County will judge based on originality, creativity, technical skill, and presentation. All applicants agree to abide by the judge's decisions.

Insurance: The SAC cannot be responsible for damage or loss of artwork during the competition. If desired, the students may provide their own insurance.

Questions: Please call the Shiawassee Arts Center, (989) 723-8354.

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