

# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM New & Renewal

Donald G.  
**Gardner  
Humanities  
Trust**

Scholarships are awarded to students majoring in one of the disciplines of the fine arts or library science. Fine arts are considered to be painting, drawing, design, sculpture, architecture, ceramics, glassworks, literature, film or other video recordings, and the performing arts including but not limited to: music, dance and theater.

Preference shall be given for scholarships which will directly benefit the City of Ely and surrounding area. Ability and seriousness of purpose are among the considerations for each scholarship.

The Gardner Trust Board reserves the right to request the student to verify his/her major with a written statement from the college. The Gardner Trust Board also reserves the right to award scholarship monies only for actual credits taken by the student up to and including the amount of the scholarship awarded and only for the intended period of the scholarship.

Donald G. Gardner Humanities Trust Scholarships may be granted to Ely Memorial High School graduates or an Ely area resident for the past five years. Students must be in their third or fourth year of school or graduate level courses. Scholarships may be renewable.

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

PERMANENT address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Which institution do you attend? \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Beginning (Month/Year): \_\_\_\_\_

Next year I will be a (check one):      Junior      Senior      Grad Program      Graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Course length: \_\_\_\_\_ Years

***Effective 2022, scholarships will also be available for staff of the Ely Public Library that are pursuing coursework in Library Science.***

All the information above and the attached narrative questions constitutes my application for the Donald G. Gardner Humanities Trust and is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. If awarded a scholarship, I agree to abide by all its requirements. As the applicant, I understand that all information will be furnished to the committee, and shall be confidential. I further understand that any untrue or incorrect information may disqualify my application and may subject me to refund amounts disbursed to me as a result of false or incorrect information.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

*Signature of applicant must be written in ink.*

## **APPLICATION NARRATIVE**

The narrative portion of the application is designed to help the Trust board assess your application. Please provide answers to the following questions, typed on no more than two (2) pages, double spaced, using 12-point font or larger. We ask that you *be as concise as possible* and **BOLD** or UNDERLINE the narrative questions.

***Please provide 9 (nine) complete copies of the narrative for the Trust board.***

1. Why have you chosen your major/field of study.
2. If you have had employment during this school year, please list:  
EMPLOYER – TYPE OF WORK – DATES – HOURS PER WEEK
3. List other scholarships, aid or grants applied for and received.
4. List any community activities, honors, awards or special recognition received during this school year.
5. List at least two courses you have taken so far in your major field of interest and explain why they have been of special interest to you or how they may have inspired or advanced your artistic skills.
6. What college instructor, mentor or other artist has influenced you the most so far in your college career? Explain.
7. If there anything else you would like to tell us about yourself that might aid the Trust board in considering your application?
8. Please attach or email some pictures or work that would be an example of your fine arts talent in the past year.

### PLEASE NOTE:

Juniors, seniors and graduate students will not be required to attend a scholarship interview. It is helpful to the board to be able to review samples of your work, video tapes or slides, press photos or articles, etc. Email graphics are acceptable and easy to view.

The Trustees may award wholly at the discretion of the Trustees and reserve the right to deny any or all scholarship applications. The Trust recognizes the equivalent of 12 or more term credits as full-time, 9-11 term credits as three-quarter time and 6-8 credits as half-time enrollment. Should a scholarship recipient's enrollment status change, the scholarship award may be changed accordingly.

### **Disbursement of Funds**

One third or one half of the scholarship will be disbursed after the successful completion of each quarter or semester, whichever applies, within 3-4 weeks after copies of grades for the term are submitted to the Trust. Grade documents must clearly display your name, student ID number, quarter or semester, and completed courses and grades.

Send nine (9) total copies and artistic attachments to:  
Donald G. Gardner Humanities Trust, PO Box 720, Ely, MN 55731  
or email to [info@gardnertrust.org](mailto:info@gardnertrust.org)