

Our Continuing Education Scholarship:

The Jo Bailey/ Curry Arts Art Scholarship

While not one of the original “founding” members of Curry Arts, Jo Bailey was a driving part of the organization for many years. Year after year, she got members together to make cards for the Christmas Bazaar, gathered members’ art work for the sales tables and kept their work hung in City Hall.

For years Jo taught the Adult Art Classes for Southwestern Oregon Community College and chaired the art department at the Curry County Fair including the school art division that took the better part of a day to judge and hang. As a certified art teacher, she taught art at the high school and, for a number of years, at Riley Creek before that program was unfunded.

Over the years, Jo had served on the Curry Arts Board as member, president, past president, and everything else. She chaired many events and was instrumental in having a Curry Arts Gallery in downtown Gold Beach. For a number of years, Jo was partners in a successful jewelry shop in the Gold Beach Mall (now Curry County Title Company).

Like many organizations, Curry Arts has died a lethargic death a number of times. But Jo refused to let it die. Time after time she breathed new life into the old, tired membership and soldiered on. Jo Bailey was an enduring constant in the Gold Beach art world for many years who deserves the recognition of this award.



Gold Beach Educational Fund

Jo Bailey/ Curry Arts Art Scholarship

Open to Gold Beach High School graduates with a declared art major, beginning their junior year, in an accredited institution.

(Note: when no qualified continuing education students apply, the scholarship is awarded to a current graduate).

Criteria for Selection

Student applicants for this scholarship must:

- be a graduate of Gold Beach High School.
- have completed their freshman and sophomore years of formal instruction in an accredited institution.
- be a declared major in the fine or applied arts (such as painting, sculpture, or ceramics), or a related field of art study (such as commercial art, film/video production, computer graphics, art history, art education, or art therapy).
- have earned a minimum G.P.A. of 2.5.

General Instructions

The application packet must contain the following:

- a well-written letter stating (a) the student’s career plan, (b) why they have chosen that plan, (c) where they are in that plan, (d) expected graduation date or enrollment date for graduate studies.
- a letter of reference from a college professor/instructor, or employer.
- a current college transcript.

Eligibility does not depend on being a prior award winner from the fund.

Application and Deadline

Can be found on the Gold Beach Educational Fund website:

<http://www.goldbeacheducationalfund.org/>

The application must be mailed to the G.B.E.F. Board. Transcripts and letter of reference may be sent separately.

Selection

The Gold Beach Educational Fund Board will select the recipients.

Terms of Eligibility

- Students may apply for, and receive, this award yearly.
- Awards must be used within the academic year for which it was awarded.
- Recipients may transfer the award from one eligible institution to another institution upon approval of the Board.

Award Recipients:

2007 Annie Gaines
2008 Kelsey Skinner
2009 Spencer Walker
2010 Lily Miller
2011 Brodey Carpenter
2012 Brodey Carpenter
2013 Cameron Kuykendall
2014 Darby Sutter
2015 No applicant
2016 No Applicant
2017 Ophelia Sutter
2018
2019
2020
2021
2022
2023
2024
2025

Curry Arts’ First Scholarship was \$250 awarded to a Gold Beach High School Senior.

Recipients:

1982 Jamie Gorbet
1983 Mary Schmidt
1984 No Applicant
1985 Beth Hallmark