2016 Naomi Winston Scholarship
In Two-Dimensional Art
$10,000 in Scholarships

“Climbing” - acrylic on canvas painting by Elmi Ventura Mata
2015 Naomi Winston Scholarship recipient

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Applications due to Chapters by
February 1, 2016
THE $10,000 NAOMI WINSTON SCHOLARSHIP IN TWO-DIMENSIONAL ART

An annual scholarship in honor of Naomi Winston has been established and made available, through the National Society of Arts and Letters, to young visual artists between the ages of 16 and 22. Applicants must demonstrate exceptional talent and promise of future success.

The scholarship funds are for private study, special training or personal advancement in the applicant’s chosen art medium. The funds can be used for workshops, museum programs, summer programs, etc. The funds cannot be used for college tuition, housing or travel.

The maximum amount a first place finalist can receive is $5000.

ARTISTIC REQUIREMENTS

1. The art works must be original.
2. The style of work may be realistic, abstract or expressive.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

1. The applicant must submit, on CD in jpeg high quality format, images of five (5) art works done within the past two years. The CDs must be unprotected and computer friendly. Prints (4” x 6”) of the art works must accompany the CD. The entire uncropped view of each work must be visible. Each image in the CD and each print must be labeled with the artist’s name, title and medium of the art work. The back of each print must show the dimensions of the work, as well as the date it was completed. The prints and the CD images must accurately reflect the artist’s work.

2. Works must be two-dimensional and may be on paper, canvas, masonite, metal or wood panels, pencil, pen, charcoal, colored pencil, watercolor, oil or acrylic paints, mixed media or original prints. Photographs, computer graphics and three-dimensional works are excluded.

ELIGIBILITY

1. The applicant:
   a) must be a citizen of the United States.
   b) must be between 16 and 22 years of age by February 1, 2016. Proof of age and U.S. citizenship must be submitted (a birth certificate, passport or naturalization papers) with the application.
   c) must submit a CD and prints of his or her works to a chapter of the National Society of Arts and Letters (NSAL). See Chapter Contacts.
   d) must demonstrate a serious commitment to his or her art by stating career plans in writing, as well as immediate personal plans for further study.

2. The applications selected by the Chapter judges will be sent to the National Winston Scholarship Committee for judging. If you are selected as a finalist, you may be notified to
send your original artwork to the National Winston Scholarship Committee for the final judging. Art works will be returned.

3. The scholarship funds will be sent directly to the institution, teacher or tutor chosen by the scholarship recipient. **Scholarship recipients have 15 months to use the funds.**

4. **Former Winston Art applicants may apply as often as their age allows. Previous national Winston Art scholarship recipients may not reapply.**

**ADJUDICATION**

1. Qualified judges chosen by each NSAL Chapter will select the CDs of the **two (2) best artists** and send them to the National Winston Scholarship Committee Chair at the expense of the Chapter.

2. Art works will be judged on:
   a) the **elements and principles of design.**
   b) the **skillful use of the medium or media.**
   c) **originality and self-expression showing potential for growth as an artist.**

3. The scholarships will be awarded by the National Winston Scholarship Committee and its decisions will be final.

**PROTECTION**

1. Care and caution must be exercised in the handling of all CDs and works. NSAL, NSAL Chapters and the National Winston Scholarship Committee will not be liable for claims of loss, theft or damage of any kind. If insurance is desired, it must be arranged by the applicant.

2. The National Winston Scholarship Committee reserves the right to reproduce, in color or in black and white, the CDs of the art works submitted by the finalists, regardless of copyright. The reproductions will be used for educational and/or publicity purposes only.

**CHAPTER RESPONSIBILITIES**

See separate sheet on Chapter Responsibilities.

**APPLICANT AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE DEADLINES**

1. Applications are **due to the NSAL Chapters by February 1, 2016.** For Chapter addresses, see Chapter Contacts.

2. Applications are **due to the National Winston Scholarship Committee by March 1, 2016.**
3. The Naomi Winston Art Scholarship awards will be announced on or before April 1, 2016.

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