



Arthur Moniz Scholarship Fund

The Arthur Moniz Scholarship is offered in memory of artist Arthur Moniz and his wife Cheryl Moniz, both graduates of New Bedford High School and beloved members of the Southcoast community. Arthur and Cheryl were the proprietors of the Arthur Moniz Gallery in New Bedford and Fairhaven, which displayed Arthur's paintings and Cheryl's quilts. Arthur attributed his love of art to his dedicated teacher and mentor, Mr. Raymond Bisailon, who encouraged Arthur to hone his artistic talents and pursue his dream of attending the Massachusetts College of Art in Boston. The Moniz estate intends to support young artists with Arthur's same dream through this scholarship fund.

May the indelible artistic footprints of Arthur's talent serve as a standard for future art students in the Southcoast to emulate, and may applicants to this scholarship continue to showcase the beauty of Massachusetts and of the Greater New England area, just as Arthur expertly did.

The scholarship will be awarded yearly to *three* seniors who fulfill the following criteria:

1. You must be a graduating student in good standing from Fairhaven High School, New Bedford High School, or Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational High School
2. You must be accepted into a two- or four-year accredited college or university beginning in the Fall of 2026
3. You must have a minimum high school GPA of 2.5
4. You must be pursuing a degree in Art of some form (i.e. Studio Art, Graphic Design, Animation, Photography, Interior Design, etc.)
5. You must provide your college transcript from the Fall of 2026 to confirm your attendance by February 2027

The following must accompany this application:

1. A copy of your high school transcript
2. A copy of your resume
3. Three letters of recommendation. The writers should be unrelated to you and may include a teacher, coach, and/or member of the New Bedford or Fairhaven community who knows you well.
4. A personal statement of no more than 400 words detailing your personal goals within the realm of art and your reasons for applying for this scholarship
5. A copy of your art portfolio or at least 3 examples of your work

Scholarships will be awarded in the amounts of \$1,000 (1) and \$500 (2).

Return your application and the requested documents to your respective guidance office by **May 1st, 2026**.

Applicant Information

Full name:

Last

First

M.I.

Address:

Street address

Apt/Unit #

City

State

Zip Code

Phone:

Email:

Parent/Guardian Information

Name:

Relationship:

Profession:

Email:

Name:

Relationship:

Profession:

Email:

Applicant Signature

Signature:

Date:

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