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**Oregon Potters Association**

**Parental  
Permission  
Form 2017**

**Dear Parent:**

Every spring, the Oregon Potters Association sponsors **OPA Ceramic Showcase**, the largest all-day exhibition in the country. This year the show returns to the Oregon Convention Center and rejoins the Gathering of the Guilds where hundreds of local artists show their work. **2017 OPA Ceramic Showcase** dates are **April 21 – 23**. The show is open to the public. The exhibition hall includes a special section for the high school scholarship competition. One student will be chosen by jury to receive a \$1000 college scholarship for artistic excellence and creativity. The funds will be held in trust and paid as tuition directly to the college entered by the student. The competition is open to all Oregon and SW Washington high school juniors and seniors who complete the application requirements by the deadline of March 25, 2017. Your high school ceramics student is invited to apply. After the submission deadline, the OPA Board will conduct a preliminary review of submitted photographs, and will select pieces to be displayed.

These displayed pieces will then be eligible for the scholarship competition. If your son or daughter's work is selected to compete for the scholarship, please follow the submission guidelines, below.

**If accepted into the competition and**

**If student lives within 100 miles of Portland**

- Piece must be hand delivered to the Oregon Convention Center, on Thursday April 20, 2017, between the hours of 2:00 and 7:00 pm.
- Piece must be picked-up on Sunday April 23, 2017, between 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. *Showcase* closes at 5:00 p.m.

**If student lives further than 100 miles from Portland:**

- Piece may be shipped. If shipped, it must arrive before April 20, 2017, and must include a **pre-paid**, self-addressed return label or contact information for the person who will collect the piece on Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please bubble wrap and double-box to insure against breakage, per UPS or FedEx instructions.
- OPA is not responsible for insurance or for breakage during shipping. OPA will return-ship the piece using the boxes in which the work arrived.

**Ship piece to:** Sandra Toussaint  
20699 NE Glisan St. #219  
Fairview, OR 97024



**Please note:** Pieces submitted by High School students will **not** be sold.

**OPA Scholarship Parental Permission Form**  
(Return this part with application)

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_ Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (name of parent) give consent for my child to participate in the 2017 OPA Scholarship competition. I understand that participation in the activity is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by applicable rules and deadlines. I release OPA, the exhibition coordinators, juries and related parties, and the Oregon Convention Center from any and all claims or liability arising out of this participation.

Parental Signature \_\_\_\_\_



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### ***OPA Scholarship: Important Dates***

- ▶ March 27, 2017            Application deadline (online and US mail)
- ▶ April 4, 2017            Notification by OPA of acceptance
- ▶ April 19, 2017           Shipped artwork: arrival deadline
- ▶ April 20, 2017           **Hand-delivery Oregon Convention Center**
- ▶ April 21 – 23, 2017      *OPA Ceramic Showcase*
- ▶ April 22, 2017           Scholarship awarded
- ▶ April 23, 2017           Artwork pick-up

Further questions? Email OPA High School Scholarship Coordinator at:  
**[HSScholarship@gmail.com](mailto:HSScholarship@gmail.com)**

### **Most commonly asked questions?**

1. Do I have to submit the piece I juried with or may I submit something I finished after I sent in my application?  
**You must submit the exact piece that is juried.**
2. May I submit a piece that has been in the OPA Showcase before?  
**You may not submit a piece that has been previously submitted to the Scholarship Program. However, you may submit a piece that has been on show in the High School Gallery.**
3. Who is eligible?  
**The Scholarship Program is open to High School Juniors and Seniors in Oregon and SW Washington.**
4. What percentage of my piece has to be clay?  
**Each piece must be at least 75% clay.**