



# New England Film Academy

*...developing the filmmakers of tomorrow.*

## **THE FILMMAKERS OF TOMORROW SCHOLARSHIPS**

### **Application Form – Spring '06**

#### **History and Purpose**

The Filmmakers of Tomorrow Scholarships were established in 2006 by the New England Film Academy and its Community Outreach Program. One of the highest priorities of the New England Film Academy is to expand and improve opportunities for the young aspiring filmmakers in Maine. Beginning with the class of 2006, the scholarship award is in the amount of \$1,000. The focus of the Academy's Community Outreach Program has always been, and continues to be, graduates of the Academy continuing their film education at institutions of higher learning.

#### **Criteria**

Recipients will be chosen by the Scholarship Committee of the New England Film Academy. Recipients will be chosen from applications submitted by eligible students based on the following criteria:

- a. Academic performance
- b. Academic potential
- c. Financial need
- d. Body of work
- e. Community service

No one criterion is more important than another. The Scholarship Committee carefully weighs all aspects of a student's application.

#### **Terms Of Award**

The New England Film Academy requires that all students comply with the terms of the award offered at the time of their acceptance of the scholarship.

#### **Deadline**

Application forms need to be postmarked by **July 1, 2006** and all supporting materials need to be postmarked by **August 1, 2006**.

**PLEASE CAREFULLY READ THE FOLLOWING POLICY SHEET AND SAVE IT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE**

## Policy Sheet

*The following policies apply to Filmmakers of Tomorrow Scholarships. Please read this carefully and save it for future reference.*

**Graduating one year early**-Beginning in 2006 the scholarship award is \$1,000 a year for up to four years. If you graduate one year early you will receive \$3,500 (\$1,000 for the first two years & \$1500 for the third year). The New England Film Academy must be notified in writing by the school that you are scheduled to graduate one year early.

**Graduating one semester early**- The scholarships are normally disbursed in the first week of January and are to be applied to the spring semester bill. If we are notified by **the beginning** of your final semester that you intend to graduate a semester early, you may receive up your scholarship money during the fall semester. The New England Film Academy must be notified in writing by the school that you are scheduled to graduate one semester early.

**Two-year degree programs**- If you are entering a two-year degree program and decide to continue on for two more years in an undergraduate degree program **and** you meet all other requirements of the scholarship program, the New England Film Academy will continue funding for up to two more years.

**Leave of absence**- In most cases, the New England Film Academy allows students supported by its scholarship to take a leave of absence for up to one year. If you take a leave, we ask that you notify the New England Film Academy in writing within three months of leaving school, and again upon re-enrollment. Our scholarships are paid out in up to four equal installments, with checks sent out in the first week of January each year.

**Deferment**- If it is necessary for you to take time off between graduating from high school and your first year of college you must request a deferral in writing from the New England Film Academy. If a deferral is granted, it can be for no longer than one year.

**Transfers** – The New England Film Academy understands that sometimes students begin their college career at one school and end it at another. Transfers are allowed as long as students are entering a similar course of study in a film program. In all transfer cases, please notify the New England Film Academy in writing before enrolling at courses at your new school. Please also confirm for us in writing that you are still enrolled at least half time and pursuing a degree in a film program. We will need this information for our annual verification process each fall, before scholarship checks are mailed.

**Giving back** - Recipients of our scholarships will have to return the following summer, after receiving their 1<sup>st</sup> scholarship, and serve as interns during at least one summer camp session at the Academy. By fulfilling this requirement and remaining in good standing, both academically and discipline wise, with their current school, applicants will be eligible to continue to receive their annual scholarship.

**Good Standing** - New England Film Academy will pay grants directly to the applicants chosen school under an arrangement whereby the school will apply the scholarship funds only for enrolled students who are in good standing. If the recipient does not remain in good standing and/or does not return for their internship following their 1<sup>st</sup> year at school then the recipient shall be deemed *at fault* and the most recent disbursement of scholarship funds will have to be repaid by the recipient and be reimbursed to the scholarship fund and redistributed to another applicant. Recipient will no longer be eligible for future scholarships from the Academy.

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS – FILMMAKERS OF TOMORROW SCHOLARSHIP

***PLEASE KEEP THIS COVER SHEET and use it as a checklist to be sure you send all required materials. The New England Film Academy reserves the right not to process applications found to be incomplete as of August 1, 2006.***

Application packets must include the following:

- Completed application form. No staples please.**
- A personal essay that tells us something about you and your pursuit of being a filmmaker.**
- Your personal portfolio/body of work as a filmmaker (DVD/VHS).**
- Your Student Aid Report (“SAR”)** – The SAR is the form sent back to families who have filled out the FAFSA to apply for federal financial aid; please send the **entire** SAR including the EFC (expected family contribution) when you receive it.
- A copy of your financial aid award letter**– This is the letter you receive from the financial aid office of the college you plan to attend; if you do not have this award letter at the time you file the application form, please send a copy to us as soon as you receive notification of your award.
- Official copies of all high school transcripts** – Be sure that a list of your Grade 12 courses is included. Please also include college transcripts if you have taken any college courses for credit while in high school.
- Two letters of recommendation from your high school guidance counselor and/or teachers** – *Does not* need to be a special letter of recommendation for the Filmmakers of Tomorrow Scholarship; a copy of any letter of recommendation is perfectly acceptable.
- Confirmation by August 1st of the college or university you plan to attend** – If you already know which school you will attend, please enter it on the application form.

The Scholarship Committee of the New England Film Academy will review applications, and **decisions will be sent to applicants by August 15th.**

**Applications need to be postmarked by July 1, 2006. Mail to:**

New England Film Academy c/o Falmouth Station 190 U.S. Route One Falmouth, ME 04105
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Our website address is [www.nefilmacademy.org](http://www.nefilmacademy.org).

## FILMMAKERS OF TOMORROW SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last
First
Middle
Prefer to be called

SSN: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Female  
 Male

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(please write clearly and differentiate between a one and an L)*

**HIGH SCHOOL:** \_\_\_\_\_ Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Name:		
Occupation/Title:		
Employer:		
Highest education COMPLETED:	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than high school <input type="checkbox"/> High school diploma or GED <input type="checkbox"/> Associates degree/Some college <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelors degree <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate degree, Masters, PhD <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than high school <input type="checkbox"/> High school diploma or GED <input type="checkbox"/> Associates degree/Some college <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelors degree <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate degree, Masters, PhD <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown

Who do you live with?  Both parents  One parent  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**COLLEGE you plan to attend:** \_\_\_\_\_  Accepted  
**Please note that if you are undecided or have not been notified of your acceptance yet, we need to know what college you will attend by May 1st.**

**Did you have a second choice College?**  No  Yes \_\_\_\_\_  Accepted

**Degree anticipated:**  Two-year degree  Four-year degree

Major area(s) of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you live:  on campus  off-campus apartment  at home

List your **School Activities** (in order of interest to you):

Description	Years of participation	List any leadership positions or awards:
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fresh. <input type="checkbox"/> Soph. <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. <input type="checkbox"/> Sr.	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fresh. <input type="checkbox"/> Soph. <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. <input type="checkbox"/> Sr.	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Fresh. <input type="checkbox"/> Soph. <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. <input type="checkbox"/> Sr.	

List your **Community Service/Volunteering Activities** (in order of interest to you):

Description	# of years of participation	<b>Total # of hours spent per year</b>
		_____

**Employment History:**

Job description	Dates of employment	<b>Total # of hours worked in a typical week</b>
		School year:
		Summers:

**Financial Information**

Please fill out this section entirely and send in copies of your financial aid award notice and your SAR.

1. Household Income (gross annual household income from your parents' 2005 tax returns). We do not need a copy of the tax return. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Number of household members who will be in college in 2006, including parents. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Expected Family Contribution (EFC) from your Student Aid Report. \_\_\_\_\_.

**Academic Information**

Please fill out this section entirely and send in a copy of your most recent high school transcript.

1. Class Rank- Number in class \_\_\_\_\_ Your standing \_\_\_\_\_.  Please check here if your school does not rank
2. GPA \_\_\_\_\_.  Please check here if your school does not calculate GPAs
3. Please list any advanced placement or honors courses you have taken if applicable  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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4. What is the highest-level math course you have taken? \_\_\_\_\_

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## FILMMAKERS OF TOMORROW SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

*All information in each portion of this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I may be asked to provide proof of information stated in this form, including a copy of my parents' and/or my prior year's U.S. income tax return. I agree to be bound by all the terms and conditions of the Filmmakers of Tomorrow Scholarship Program should I be selected as a recipient.*

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of applicant (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_