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**Eastern Illinois University
Art Department Scholarships
2016/17 Academic Year
Incoming Freshmen
Application Guidelines**

The Art Department offers the following scholarships and awards for incoming freshmen:

- Excellence in Fine Arts Award (EFA) – a four year, renewable award that pays a portion of your tuition and fees
- Talented Student Awards (TSA) – annual award that pays a portion of your tuition
- Grant-in-Aid (GIA) – annual award that pays a portion of tuition or program and service fees

Entering full-time freshmen declaring Art as their major are eligible to apply for these awards for the 2016-2017 academic year. With one simple application and portfolio of eight to ten images, you will be considered for all three awards.

Review Criteria
In reviewing applicants, the Student Affairs Committee considers the following:
- Quality of applicant's creative artwork as demonstrated by the portfolio presented, see portfolio information below
- High school grade point average

Application Deadline Date
For the 2016/2017 academic year, the application deadline is **5:00 pm on March 25th, 2016.**

How to apply
Please send via email the two items on the submission checklist below to Ann Coddington at: **abcoddington@eiu.edu**. Please write "Freshman Scholarship Application" in the subject line. You may also direct any questions to Ann Coddington, or to David Griffin at: **dfgriffin@eiu.edu**

Submission Checklist – Details below

☐ 1. Portfolio in pdf format, saved as Last Name, first name, portfolio.pdf   (example: Maker, Arthur, portfolio.pdf)

☐ 2. Application in pdf format, saved as Last Name, first name, application.pdf   (example: Maker, Arthur, application.pdf)

Portfolio Guidelines

Portfolio Content Suggestions

- Please submit 8-10 representative examples of your best artwork.
- Please do not include more than two examples of photographic artwork, since EIU does not have a photography major.
- In terms of content we encourage you to submit original artwork (no studies taken from magazines, photos or existing artwork).

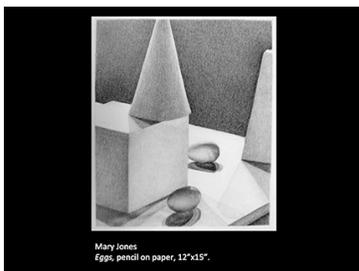## Photographing your Artwork Suggestions

When photographing your artwork, consider the following:
- For two-dimensional artwork use even, uniform lighting and eliminate glare
- Make sure your images are in sharp focus
- If background is visible, then use a backdrop of solid white or black, or crop out background using photoshop or other photo editing software

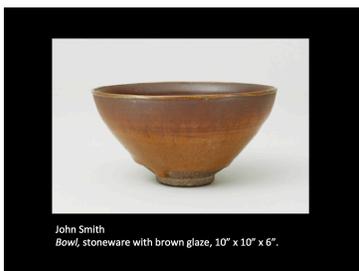## Completed application consists of 2 items:

Mary Jones
Eggs, pencil on paper, 12"x15".

Sample image, 2d

Sample image, 3d

John Smith
Bowl, stoneware with brown glaze, 10" x 10" x 6".

1. **Digital Portfolio:**
   - You may submit up to 8-10 images of your original artwork.
   - These images must be submitted as a single pdf file.
   - How to format your portfolio:
     - If you have photo editing software, please size images 10 inches on the longest side at 72 dpi
     - Save each image as a jpeg
     - Format images in a slide show using PowerPoint or Keynote
     - Each image needs to be labeled with your name, title, media, and dimensions.
     - Then under File > Reduce File Size > Best for viewing on screen 150 ppi.
     - Lastly, save as a pdf.
     - Portfolios must be no larger than 5 megabites.
   - Any animation or video needs to be formatted as a QuickTime Movie, 480p.
     - To do this, open .mov file in QuickTime, File>Export>480p.
   - Please preview your pdf to make sure it can be opened and your artwork viewed.
   - If the Student Affairs Committee cannot open your file, then the file cannot be reviewed, and you will not be considered for scholarships.
   - Include no more than 10 pieces or artwork in your pdf. In addition to the 10, you may include two details, for a total of no more than 12 images.
   - **Please label the file LAST NAME, portfolio.pdf**
   - **File size for your portfolio cannot exceed 5mb**

2. A completed **Art Department Scholarship Application** form
   - Open form in Adobe Acrobat.
   - Fill out application and sign.
   - Save as **last name, application.pdf**
   - The application forms are available at the Department of Art website: https://www.eiu.edu/art/undergrad_freshman_scholarship.php

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