

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Morean Arts Center's youth programs! Scholarships are an important part of youth classes and camp at the Morean, as they allow us to help your children cultivate creativity and interest in the arts. Creative thinking, problem solving, communication and empathy—these attributes and skills, learned through the making of art, contribute to the mental and emotional growth of a child. To this end, we take pride in the quality of our youth art classes and camps and give thanks to our donors—it is their generosity which enables the Morean to extend financial assistance to you. We thank you for recognizing the importance of creative development, and for taking the time to fill out this application.

Please be aware that our scholarship funds are limited. Though we wish we could provide assistance to *all* applicants, we must do our best to weigh the level of need as well as the level of interest in our program. Please take care to review and complete this application in-full—as we cannot consider your application without all required documentation as well as your letter of interest and letter of recommendation.

Firstly, we must establish the level of your financial need. We ask for a completed Free/Reduced Lunch Verification form (attached to application) or, if this does not apply to you, a copy of your tax return or proof of disability, SSI, or unemployment. The standard scholarship award consists of tuition for 1 six-week class session or 1 week of camp. Please be advised that a thoughtful letter of interest weighs heavily in our decision-making process, as does the required letter of recommendation.

There is no official application deadline—applications may be submitted prior to the start date of class or camp as well as throughout the duration of the program—however please be aware that applications will be considered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Thank you again for submitting your application! Your family is the reason this program exists, and the creative development of your children is important to the Morean.

Best Regards,

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## **Youth Program 2022 Scholarship Application**

The Morean Arts Center's Youth Scholarship funds are made possible through the generosity of our donors. Funds are available to cover or partially cover 1 six-week Class or 1 week of Camp per child.

Does your family participate in any of	How to apply	
the following programs at the Morean Arts Center?  Saturdays@theMorean Sundays@theMorean Museums for All (MFA) Program	<ul> <li>(1) Read application thoroughly and complete with care.</li> <li>(2) Attach a completed Free/Reduced Lunch Verification form OR a copy of your most recent tax return and/or proof of unemployment, proof of SSI, or proof of disability.</li> <li>(3) Submit completed application via email (bryn.thomas@moreanartscenter.org), mail (c/o Education Department, Morean Arts Center, 719 Central Ave, St Petersburg FL 33701), or in person.</li> </ul>	
Applicant Information		
Name of child	Birth Date //	
City	State Zip	
	Emergency Phone	
Email		
Have you received a scholarship fr Financial Information	rom the Morean Arts Center before?   Yes  No	
Please fill out the following information to I	help us better understand your household's financial situation.	
2 Total # Adults in Household		
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<ul><li>b. Total # Children (under 18) in Household</li><li>c. Please attach one of the following (check appropriate box):</li></ul>		
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Date Received:		
Received by:		



	G-week Class ☐ Camp
(3)	Youth Program Preferences:
	1 <sup>st</sup> Choice
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice
(4)	Letter of Interest
•	Please tell us why you are interested in attending a class or camp at the Morean.
	(Teens, please tell us in your own words. Parents of young children, please tell us why your child is interested in attending a class or camp.)
(5)	Letter of Recommendation
	Please attach your Letter of Recommendation (from teacher, counselor, coach, minister, or
	mentor) to this application form.
	Parent/Guardian Signature Date
	Parent/Guardian Printed Name

Thank you for your interest in our Youth Programs at the Morean Arts Center!
We will contact you upon receipt of your application with an estimated date of when our decision pertaining to your application will be made.

If you have any questions, please contact Bryn Thomas by email at <a href="mailto:bryn.thomas@moreanartscenter.org">bryn.thomas@moreanartscenter.org</a> or by phone at 727.822.7872 ext 2136.



\*Incomplete applications will not be eligible for consideration.\*

## Free/Reduced Lunch Verification Form

l,	(School Administrator) verify
that	(Applicant) is eligible for
free or reduced lunch at	(School Name)
School Administrator Signature:	Date:
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:



## Agreement to Provide Thank You Note to Donors

Our Scholarships are funded entirely through donations from individuals and organizations. It is important that we thank these Donors for their generosity—without them, we would have no scholarships to provide for your child. We ask that, upon completion of his/her class or camp, your child creates an illustrated Thank You note to our Donors. Photos of art work completed by your child are always welcome, to include with the note. Please turn in Notes to the Morean Education Department—we will distribute them to our Donors.

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Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date: