



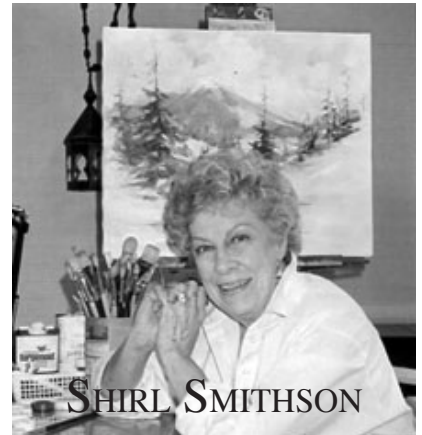
OIL PAINTERS of AMERICA

Dedicated to the Preservation of Representational Art

Shirl Smithson Scholarships

Established in 1991, the Oil Painters of America is a nationally recognized, not-for-profit organization dedicated to the pursuit of representational art. Oil Painters of America offers four \$500 scholarships appropriately named after its founding member, Shirl Smithson.

Scholarships are awarded annually and applications for consideration must be received by December 1. Three of the four scholarships are designated for active OPA members and one scholarship is awarded to a part or full-time student currently enrolled in art school or an art related program. (Students need not be OPA members to apply)



Scholarship applicants are judged on the quality and strength of his/her artwork and the potential for further career development.

Scholarships must be used to attend a workshop or class in representational oil painting. Award winners must receive approval from Oil Painters of America prior to enrolling or attending a workshop or class. After scholarship recipients have been approved to take a specified workshop or class, a check will be issued directly to the selected school.

Scholarship Submission Information

Submission Deadline: Applications must be received by December 1

Please attach:

- Cover letter
- One page resume
- Two CD's each containing six images of applicants representational work in oils. (image size should be approximately 6-8" max on each side, and 300 dpi preferred).
- Students must include a letter from his/her instructor acknowledging that he/she is currently enrolled as an art student.

Please send application to: Oil Painters of America
Attn: Scholarship Application
P.O. Box 2488
Crystal Lake, Illinois 60039-2488