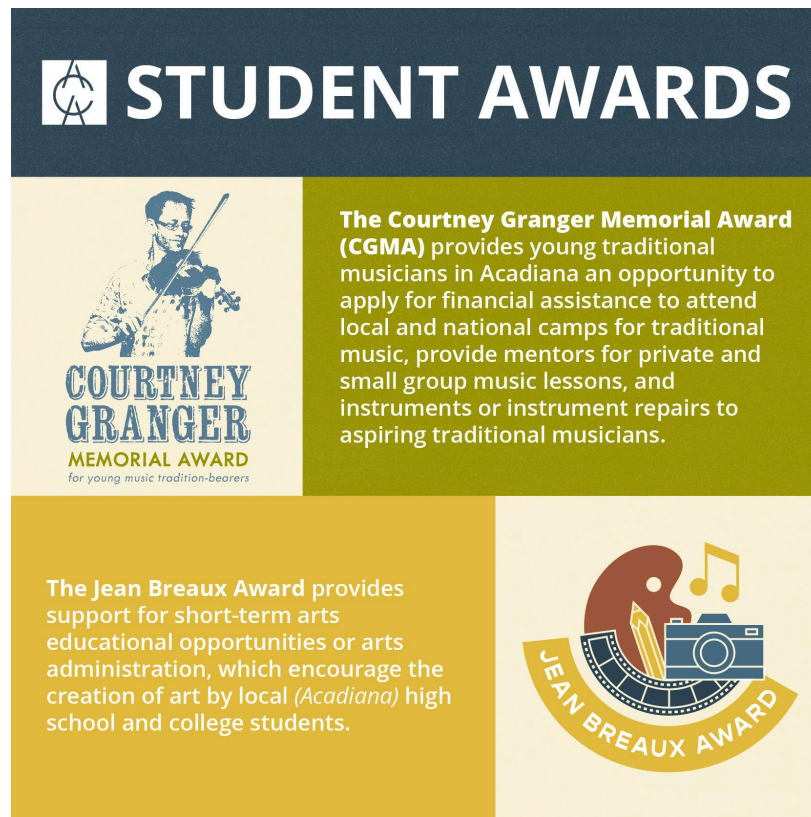


Acadiana Center for the Arts' 2024 Student Artist Awards Submissions Now Open!



STUDENT AWARDS

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The Jean Breaux Award provides support for short-term arts educational opportunities or arts administration, which encourage the creation of art by local (Acadiana) high school and college students.

JEAN BREUX AWARD

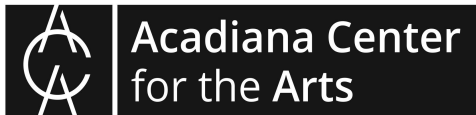
LAFAYETTE, LA, March 6, 2024 - The submission period for Acadiana Center for the Arts' student artist awards are now open. The Courtney Granger Memorial award and the Jean Breaux Award support highschool and college student artists, musicians, and other creatives in the advancement of their education.

Awards of up to \$1,000 are available for young artists for various artistic pursuits. Guidelines and applications for both awards can be submitted through the online applications at <https://acadianacenterforthearts.org/opportunities-for-artists> until March 29, 2024.

AcA Executive Director Samuel Olivier says, "We've seen young artists from this region—like Courtney Granger—leave a lasting legacy on the arts thanks to the support they have had from family and friends. We're proud to make these awards available to any young person in Acadiana for generations to come."

About the Courtney Granger Memorial Award -

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private and small group music lessons, and instruments or instrument repairs to aspiring traditional musicians — all opportunities that were so very important to Courtney.

Courtney's father, Mr. Ken Granger, said "Courtney believed that our culture will only survive a generation at a time and always said, "why should I charge anyone for lessons when my lessons were given free to me". The Courtney Granger Memorial Award was created to pay it forward to individuals who are in need to achieve their hopes and dreams."

About the Jean Breaux Award -

The Jean Breaux program provides financial support to practicing young artists who are interested in enhancing their skills through participation in advanced study beyond what is available in their present school curriculum.

Recognized arts disciplines for this program are performing arts, visual arts, dance, folklife, literary arts, media arts, music, theater, and arts administration.

Eligible applicants include high school and college students planning to pursue a career or professional training opportunity in any of the eligible arts disciplines, or arts administration. A student must be a citizen of the United States and a resident of Louisiana living in Acadiana with an overall GPA of a "B" or higher on their high school or college transcripts.

More information, including guidelines and submission portal are available on the AcA's website at:

acadianacenterforthearts.org/opportunities-for-artists/courtney-granger-memorial-award

and

acadianacenterforthearts.org/opportunities-for-artists/jean-breux-award/

About AcA

As the community leader in arts and culture, the Acadiana Center for the Arts (AcA) serves to bring elevating arts experiences to the people of Acadiana through many approaches including holding public concerts, presenting art exhibitions, providing grants to artists and cultural organizations, and bringing artists into schools across the region. AcA brings equitable access to the arts through year-round education and outreach activities and aims to build a more sustainable cultural ecosystem for future generations in Acadiana.