



## **Sunshine Coast Spinners & Weavers Guild Grants and Awards Fund Program**

*This program was established by resolution of the members at a General Meeting on March 1, 1999. Amended at a General Meeting on September 9, 2002, and at a General Meeting on March 7, 2016.*

### **General**

1. A Grants and Awards Fund Program will commence June 1999 and the program evaluated after one year and at subsequent yearly intervals as needs change.
2. The purpose of the program is to assist any member of the Guild in furthering fibre arts education.
3. The objective of the program is that the successful candidate will share his/her acquired knowledge with the Guild members.
4. An initial sum of \$350 was included in the 1999–2000 budget. This figure was amended to \$600 per year in the 2015 budget, with a maximum of \$200 being awarded to any individual applicant. The amount to be allotted to the Grants and Awards Fund will be reviewed and changed annually as necessary, it being understood that the amount to be allotted will be dependent upon the state of the Guild's finances.

### **Grants and Awards Committee**

1. The Grants and Awards Committee will be composed of an elected officer of the Guild and four appointed members, one of whom shall be a member of the Standards and Jury Committee. Members of the Grants and Awards Committee should represent a cross-section of many types of weaving and spinning.
2. Members will normally serve for two years. In the first year there should be two for one year only, so there will be a staggering of terms in subsequent years.
3. Members of the Committee will not be eligible to apply for Grants and Awards Funds during their term of office.
4. The Committee will set appropriate guidelines which shall be in writing and available to all members.
5. The Committee will recommend to the Executive the number of grants to be made, the amounts of the grants, and the times of disbursement. Final decisions as to successful applicants and monies awarded shall be made by the Executive committee. All applicants will be informed in writing and the names and amounts entered in the minutes.
7. Unsuccessful applicants may re-apply during the year unless advised otherwise.
8. Financial need or level of expertise is not a consideration.

## **Applications**

1. The applicant must have been an active member of the Guild, in good standing, for one year and have a serious commitment to weaving and/or spinning.
2. The applicant must submit:
  - (a) a definite education proposal in writing, including a brochure or outline of the intended course;
  - (b) a resume of weaving and/or spinning experience;
  - (c) several pieces of current work;
  - (d) a brief proposed budget, including course fee, accommodation, and travel expenses, possible funds to be received from other sources (other grants) and the amount the applicant is prepared to contribute.
3. Applications will be accepted **prior to May 1** of each budget year. However, monies may be granted at any time upon formal submission by an applicant, but will vary according to the funds available. Awards will be made at the June meeting.
4. Guild members will be notified by the Executive if the total sum in the Grants and Awards Fund in any one year has been awarded following receipt of the first application deadline.
5. If a Guild member has been awarded a scholarship and is unable to accept the award for any reason, it will go to the next successful applicant.
6. If there are still funds remaining at the end of the budget year, they may be added to the allotted amount in the Grants and Awards Fund in the following year on the recommendation of the Committee.

## **Obligations of Recipients**

1. Each recipient will agree in writing to provide, **within six months of completion of the course**:
  - (a) a comprehensive lecture at a general meeting to be scheduled with the Program Chair; and
  - (b) a permanent written record, including pictures of work submitted and, if possible, pictures taken during the course, to be added to the Guild Library.
2. Any recipient who fails to comply with the above in accordance with the written agreement with the Guild will be required to repay all monies awarded.

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**GRANT APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Do you meet all the criteria as outlined in the program? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

If no, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Workshop Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Workshop Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration fee: \_\_\_\_\_ Materials fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Total amount of grant requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to take this workshop? \_\_\_\_\_

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Proposed date for Guild Program, if successful: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand my obligations to the Guild in accepting a grant.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Applicant