

ST. ANDREWS SOCIETY of MAINE
SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

1. Scholarships are awarded for:

Studies of Scottish culture, (dance, music, language, etc.), Scottish history and archaeology, or Scottish industry (kilt-making, weaving, etc.), usually by means of individual attendance at workshops.

PLEASE NOTE that funds are limited. Priority is given to those seeking to learn or improve a skill and to those primarily from within our state or region. The Scholarship Fund is not designed (nor sufficiently endowed) to support full-time undergraduate, graduate, or post-graduate education.

2. Details needed on scholarship application form:

Applicants should include on their applications thorough information including: how the scholarship monies would be used, location where the workshops or lessons would take place and specific dates. It is important to list a breakdown of expenses as well as the complete mailing address.

3. Timetables for the Scholarship Committee:

- a. During the January meeting — the Scholarship Committee to be announced.
- b. During the February meeting, the amount of available funds will be announced by the Treasurer.
- c. Application deadline — March 15th.
- d. Between April 1st and April 15th, the Scholarship Committee will meet to review applications.
- e. Within two weeks of the award determination, the Scholarship award list will be submitted to the Treasurer with all required information.
- f. By May 1st, notification of awards to applicants will be mailed out. The Treasurer will mail monies to the various institutions or programs/instructors.

4. Eligibility:

- a. The scholarship application is open to any person regardless of residence, national origin, race, creed, or gender.
- b. Preference may be given to members of the St. Andrews Society and their children, as well as any applicant who has volunteered to work at the Maine Highland Games, or performed at an event sponsored by SASME during the previous year.
- c. Officers and Directors of the St. Andrews Society are not eligible to receive a scholarship.

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5. Scholarship rules:

a. Scholarship awards will be sent directly to the institution or program/instructor requested in the application. If a scholarship recipient is unable to attend the institution or program listed on the application, all funds will be returned to the Scholarship Fund of SASME.

b. Scholarships are awarded for the benefit of specific individuals as requested in the application and are not transferable. The recipient, his or her family, or friends, may not use any funds awarded for any purpose other than the program, etc., that is listed on the application.

c. In order to serve as many scholarship applicants as possible, there should be no expectation that full funding of the scholarship request will be forthcoming.

d. If SASME becomes aware that a scholarship applicant has been awarded more money than is necessary for the requested program, SASME may request that the institution refund the overpayment.

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e. Applicants acknowledge that the St. Andrews Society of Maine has no obligation to award money to any individual or organization but does so voluntarily in an effort to promote Scottish heritage. Concerns and questions can only be addressed to the Scholarship Committee in written form. There should be no expectation that these concerns will change the prior determination of the Scholarship Committee. Exceptions to any of the above rules can be made only with special authorization by unanimous vote of the Scholarship Committee.

f. Applicants agree to hold the St. Andrews Society of Maine blameless for any injury or damage incurred in association with the application, acceptance, or use of any scholarship awards.

g. Scholarship winners will be encouraged to perform at various St. Andrews Society functions.

h. All applicants will sign below and acknowledge an understanding and acceptance of the scholarship rules and guidelines. The original signed statement should be returned with application. Any applicant under 18 years of age should also have a parent or guardian sign this statement. **Applications received without a signed statement will not be considered for any scholarship awards.**

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- i. Completed applications (accompanied by these signed Scholarship Guidelines) must be mailed to: St. Andrews Society of Maine, 4 Bridge Street, Berwick, ME 03901-2212.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the guidelines and rules listed above. I agree to abide by these rules and wish to be considered an applicant for a scholarship. I have completed the application and verify that all of the information provided in my application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Full Name Parent/Guardian if applicant under 18

Applicant's Signature & DATE Signature of Parent/Guardian & DATE
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