



Dufferin Arts Council | Reed T Cooper Bursary in Visual Arts

- Description** The Reed T Cooper Bursary in Visual Arts has been established under the auspices of the Dufferin Arts Council's (DAC) Artist Support Program to honour the artistic achievements of Reed T Cooper and his many contributions to the local arts community. The bursary is awarded annually to a mid-career visual artist(s) in Dufferin County who has been working professionally for a minimum of five years, and who displays a unique talent and a potential for excellence.
- Frequency** Annual
- Value** The Dufferin Arts Council may award up to a maximum of two bursaries of \$3,000 each, per year, based on a review of proposals received.
- Eligibility** Open to any professional artist who is a resident of Dufferin County and who is a member of the Dufferin Arts Council. Eligible media include, but may not be limited to: painting, sculpture, printmaking, ceramics, fibre arts, glass, wood, photography, digital/computer-generated art. A recipient of the Cooper Bursary can re-apply after a period of five years.
- To Apply** Eligible artists shall submit a detailed written proposal for a special thematic project related to the advancement of their work or career, which may include, but not be limited to:
- Researching, preparation and/or mounting of a special exhibition
 - Undertaking to explore new ideas and/or techniques in the artist's choice of media that may include travel which would result in providing new opportunities for artistic growth
 - A professional development opportunity

All applications will be carefully and respectfully considered.

Please use the attached form to provide details of your proposal, this must include:

- Your mailing address and telephone number
- A clear description of the project and expected results
- Proposed timing to undertake and complete the project (maximum two-year timeline with the possibility of an extension for an additional year approved by the selection committee).
- A budget of anticipated expenses and revenues
- Your current curriculum vitae
- Photographs showing samples of your work

Please remember:

- Complete the bursary form in full and submit it in hard copy with any supporting material (including photos) you feel necessary to present your idea/proposal.
- DAC reserves the right to reject applications that are incomplete.
- Bursary recipients will be asked to report on their project experience and results to DAC in an acceptable form, which may include: a written report, exhibition, or presentation within the two-year timeline. A written progress report is required at the end of the first year.
- The bursary recipient must acknowledge DAC's support by using the **DAC logo** on all advertising, websites and other electronic communication.

IMPORTANT

Artists are required to submit FOUR copies of their application and supporting material in order To be considered for the Bursary.

- Deadline** Proposals may be submitted at any time during the year from January 1st to September 30th. Proposals must be received by DAC no later than September 30th. DAC will announce the bursary recipient the following January.
- Selection** A Selection Committee will receive and review proposals, and recommend a preferred recipient(s) to the Dufferin Arts Council Board for approval. The Selection Committee is comprised of a member of the Cooper family, immediate Past President of the Dufferin Arts Council Board, a working artist from Dufferin County not applying for the bursary and the recipient(s) of the previous year's bursary. The selection committee can be increased as needed.
- Submit to** By Mail:
Reed T Cooper Bursary in Visual Arts
Dufferin Arts Council
Box 21052
150 First Street
Orangeville, Ontario, Canada L9W 4S7
- In Person:
Reed T Cooper Bursary in Visual Arts
c/o Dufferin County Museum & Archives
Corner of Airport Road & Highway 89
- Questions** Direct inquiries about the Reed T Cooper Bursary in Visual Arts to:

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