

THE MARY WHEELER DAVIS MEMORIAL FUND FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE ARTS

Mary Wheeler Davis felt her purpose in life was to improve the quality of life for others, especially to enhance the artistic and cultural environment of all citizens of our community. The family of Mary Wheeler Davis has created a special trust as a memorial to her to be devoted primarily to the promotion of the arts in Spartanburg County by means of scholarships for studies in the performing and visual arts.

Scholarship awards directed toward undergraduate degrees will be made annually to one or more deserving **High School Seniors who are citizens of Spartanburg County** and who are pursuing careers in the performing and visual arts. In making scholarship awards, the Awards Committee shall consider the following matters with respect to potential recipients: (1) character, (2) financial need, and (3) artistic potential.

Mary Wheeler Davis, a native of Charleston, South Carolina, was the wife of Dr. William McAlhany Davis, and the mother of Lucia Bellinger Davis and Kirkland Westbury Davis. Mary Davis was a graduate of Columbia College, where she was Student Government President, a member of the Honor Board, President's Club, Athletic Association, Academic Council, and Alpha Kappa Gamma. She was voted Most Womanly, the school's highest honor, based on leadership, sincerity, character, loyalty, dependability, and friendliness.

Upon moving to Spartanburg, she immediately entered into community life. She served as a Board member of the Spartanburg Art Association, the Piedmont Area Girl Scout Council, the Spartanburg Mental Health Association, and Pastoral Counseling Ministries. She also served as Chairman of Operation Santa Claus, was President of the Spartanburg Day School Mothers' Club and was Chairman of the Fall Fair, Treasurer of the Youth Theatre Board and was an active volunteer for the Spartanburg County Medical Auxiliary, the Mobile Meals Service and the Docent Program of the Friends of the Arts.

Mary Davis was a member of the Episcopal Church of the Advent and was a member of the choir. She served on the Altar Guild, and was Treasurer of the Episcopal Church Women and Co-Chairman for the Advent Bazaar.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:
APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE CHAPMAN CULTURAL CENTER OFFICE BY
5 P.M., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2022

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION

1. **Applicant Information:** Enter your name (last name first) and the title by which you choose to be addressed. Enter the address at which you can be quickly reached. Enter the telephone numbers, day and night, by which you can be most conveniently contacted. Enter email address information. Enter the date you became a Spartanburg County resident and your social security number.
2. **Arts Category:** Enter the discipline category under which you feel your art most naturally falls, or choose 'Other' and fill in a discipline you feel more accurately describes your art, if necessary. Identify the medium with which you accomplish your art.
3. **Artist's Resume:** Include a resume about you as an artist. This may be as lengthy as you feel is necessary to fully describe your experiences and successes as an artist. For example; visual artists may include a listing of exhibitions and awards, performing artists may include a list of performances, etc.
4. **Letters of Reference:** These letters will be used to help the Committee determine qualification of the applicant under the consideration of character. These letters should reflect on the character of the applicant more than artistic or academic achievement. **These Reference Letters should be mailed by their authors directly to:**
The Mary Wheeler Davis Scholarship Committee
ATTN: Ava Hughes
Chapman Cultural Center
200 East St. John Street
Spartanburg, SC 29306-5124
5. **Career Plans/Goals:** Use this space to describe what your career life plans are and what goals you have set for yourself in your life as someone working in the arts.
6. **Scholarship Use:** Tell how you will use the scholarship if you receive it – what school you will attend, what course of study you will undertake and what degree you will seek.
7. **Case Statement for Need:** This section will be used by the Committee to help determine the need of the applicant for the scholarship funds. State your reason(s) for the need for the funds in the space provided.
8. **Identification of Support Materials:** You may submit up to five (5) support materials with your application. Choose those materials which you feel best demonstrate your artistic potential. For visual arts, a CD or flash drive may be used, or may be attached to an emailed application. List the title of each work, the medium (or process used) for that work, the date the work/performance was completed, and the dimensions, or length of video/audio (in minutes), or number of pages of a manuscript. If possible, list your name on each piece of support material. This will help the Committee identify any works which may be separated from the application.
If you wish to have the support materials returned to you following the announcement of the scholarship winner, please include an appropriate envelope and sufficient postage to cover the return. Materials for which no return postage is provided will be discarded ninety (90) days after the announcement of the scholarship winner. Materials submitted may be picked up in person at the Chapman Cultural Center during this period.
9. **Assurance:** The application should be signed by the applicant, certifying that all statements are true and that all materials submitted are the work of the applicant.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE TYPED OR COMPUTER GENERATED AND MAY BE MAILED OR EMAILED TO: AHUGHES@SPARTANARTS.ORG

APPLICATION DEADLINE:
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MARY WHEELER DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2022

Application must be submitted on this form and must be typed or computer generated.

This form is available online on the Chapman Cultural Center's website: www.ChapmanCulturalCenter.org on the Education page. If you need help locating the form online, email ahughes@spartanarts.org or telephone Ava Hughes at (864) 278-9693.

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: _____

Title (check one): Mr. ^(Last) Mrs. ^(First) Miss. Ms. ^(Middle)

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone (cell): () _____ (home): () _____

Email Address: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Spartanburg County Resident Since: _____ Social Security No.: _____

High School: _____ Year will graduate: _____ or graduated: _____

College you intend to attend: _____

2. ARTS CATEGORY

Discipline (check one): Performing Arts Crafts Visual Arts Literature
 Other _____

Medium: _____
(e.g. poetry, fiber, xylophone, woodcut, theater)

3. ARTIST'S RESUME (use additional sheets as needed)

4. LETTERS OF REFERENCE Give the names and addresses of at least two references of your own choosing.
It is the Applicant's responsibility to have his/her references submit letters of character directly to the Mary Wheeler Davis Scholarship Fund no later than the deadline for applications listed above.

1. Name: _____ Phone: () _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

2. Name: _____ Phone: () _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Applicant

Name: _____

5. CAREER PLANS/GOALS In the space provided, briefly describe your career plans and goals.

6. SCHOLARSHIP USE In the space provided, describe how you would use the Mary Wheeler Davis Scholarship if you received it. What school or schools are you thinking about attending, what course of study will you take and what degree you will seek?

7. CASE STATEMENT OF NEED In the space provided, tell why you need this scholarship.

Applicant

Name: _____

8. IDENTIFICATION OF SUPPORT MATERIALS List support materials (CD, writing samples, tapes, films, videos, etc.) below. Include appropriate information about your work. Visual artists and craftspeople note: your CD should be numbered and marked with your name. Please complete the form below:

<u>Title of Work</u>	<u>Medium, Process</u>	<u>Date of Work or Performance</u>	<u>Size of Image or Duration of Performance or No. of Pages</u>
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____

I want my personal support materials returned. I am enclosing the required stamped, self-addressed mailing envelope. Materials sent with no return postage will be discarded 90 days following announcement of awards.

9. ASSURANCES

I hereby certify that all statements in this application form are true.

By: _____ Date: _____
Signature of Applicant

Mail/email completed application and support materials to:
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