

Contemporary Craft

The Judy Cheteyan Scholarship Fund Application

Deadline January 31

To foster growth and support professional development of emerging arts professionals, Contemporary Craft (CC) maintains the Judy Cheteyan Scholarship Fund, providing the opportunity for an **annual paid summer scholarship** (June – August: start date flexible based on mutual agreement). The scholarship provides a college or graduate student with the opportunity to gain professional experience within a nationally known contemporary craft organization including career development, mentorship, and practical knowledge working with professional artists and arts management personnel.

Reporting to the Director of Exhibitions and Programming, the Cheteyan Scholar provides valuable research, planning, and administrative support for CC's exhibitions program and across other departments as needed. The position offers on-the-job training in a community oriented contemporary craft organization, and provides foundational knowledge of industry best practices in the arts, while expanding the professional network for an emerging arts leader.

2020 will be a particularly noteworthy year for CC and an exciting time to join the team, with the opening of a new \$5.5 million facility and the organization's relocation to the Lawrenceville neighborhood of Pittsburgh. CC will originate two major exhibitions in 2020 that will provide the platform from which much of its public programming and events are launched.



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Administration of the Scholarship

The scholarship provides a monthly stipend to the selected applicant during the internship. CC will notify the recipient of the scholarship by **February 28th**.

The selected applicant will be responsible for food, housing, and transportation.

Selection Process

A three-member selection committee will be comprised of Judy Cheteyan, along with the CC Executive Director and an additional staff member. The granting of this scholarship will be primarily based upon academic achievement and broad participation in art-related activities.

Requirements and Qualifications

This scholarship is dedicated to full-time undergraduate and graduate students who are currently studying craft, art education, or arts management.

Applications should include:

- Transcripts (official or unofficial) from all colleges or universities attended;
- Resume or curriculum vitae;
- Two letters of recommendation that attest to the applicant's commitment to arts management or arts education;
- One-page essay addressing interest in a career in the arts.

Submitting Applications

Application must be submitted online at <https://form.jotform.com/193445290379164>, by **January 31, 2020**.

All applicants will be notified of the committee's decision by **February 28th**. All committee decisions are final.

CC provides equal employment opportunity (EEO) to qualified individuals regardless of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability, or genetics.

About the Scholarship

The Judy Cheteyan Scholarship program was Contemporary Craft's first and most impactful professional development program, serving 17 young people to date. As a business leader and past Board Chair, Judy and her husband Michael recognized the challenges experienced by young people entering the field immediately following undergraduate and graduate matriculation, and established the Cheteyan Scholarship opportunity in 2002 to build employability of exceptional candidates while filling a critical gap at the organization. In her own words, she describes the scholarship as, "A way to make connections with young people – to bring out their talent and allow them to develop their creativity." The Scholarship has provided an opportunity for graduates to develop skills through in-depth project management, research, and administration through direct support of exhibition, education, or program needs.