



April 16, 2020

Dear Applicant for the Tinney Family Arts Scholarship,

The Arts and Cultural Alliance of Newport County is offering the Tinney Family Arts Scholarship of \$2,000 in memory of the Tinney Family. Rich with love, talent, and ambition the Tinneys used limited monetary wealth to create beauty for all to enjoy. The family is best known for saving Belcourt Castle from mid-twentieth century wreckers, restoring, and maintaining the building and exhibiting an impressive collection of antiques. The Gold Coronation Coach that was designed by Donald Tinney in 1966 was featured in the historic Bristol, Rhode Island Fourth of July Parade and the Fall River, Massachusetts Children's Christmas Parade in 2019.

Donald Tinney can best be described as a "Renaissance" man. From the time he was twelve he sang in a boys' choir, studied music, played the piano and the pipe organ. Before he was twenty he transformed a colonial farm into a stunning estate with beautiful landscaping and stone paths. The Tinneys were accomplished artists and artisans and dedicated to hard work. They bought the oldest stained glass studio in Rhode Island to preserve the art. Creating and restoring windows the family inspired students to learn many skills. They taught "lost arts" such as woodcarving, gold leafing and wrought iron work.

This scholarship is to be awarded to a graduating High School Senior who lives in Newport County and who has demonstrated artistic talent and the ambition to strive for excellence. All areas of the Arts will be considered. It is the desire in giving this scholarship that the Tinney family's protégé will cherish and perpetuate the Tinney legacy while making the most of his/her own inherent artistic abilities.

The guidelines for the Tinney Family Arts Scholarship are attached. If you have any questions, please send an e-mail to [info@newportarts.org](mailto:info@newportarts.org) with "Tinney Scholarship" in the subject line.

Artistically yours,

The Tinney Family Arts Scholarship Committee