

Calling for applications 2010 Quilters' Guild Scholarship Program

Members who are either highly skilled or in early stages of developing quilting expertise are encouraged to apply for scholarship.

The Guild's scholarship program has provision to distribute financial support to one or more members during 2009/10. A maximum of \$5,000 per annum is available to be shared between two or more successful applicants; maximum to any single applicant is \$3,000.

Consideration will be given to submissions from individuals or groups with continuous Guild membership of at least three (3) years. Written applications need to be send (hard copy) to the Vice President at the Guild office address by the due date. Submissions to not require onerous documentation but need to include details of the project including the following:

- Goals of scholarship as it relates to applicant's needs
- Plan of action and steps to be taken to achieve scholarship goals
- Timeframe of completion
- The anticipated outcome to be achieved
- How applicant would contribute to guild members knowledge and skill
- Details of anticipated expenses involved in completing the proposed program
- Specific amount requested from scholarship scheme and a breakdown of how this would be used for scholarship purposes
- Dates when progress report, final report and receipts/expenses incurred, would be provided to the guild.

The scholarship requires applicants to develop new skills and make a significant contribution to the members of the Guild. Whilst there are creative ways to do this, some examples are:

- Add to the general knowledge and expertise of guild members by giving a presentation of what you have learnt.
- Compose a report for the Template Newsletter and delivery to guild members at a General Meeting, about your learning experience undertaken during the scholarship period
- Conduct a workshop teaching a particular technique to guild members
- Organise a selective exhibition
- Be a Guest Speaker or Demonstrator at a General Meeting

Whilst sponsorship applicants will be required to bring back and demonstrate their achievement, the following examples show components of submissions that may be considered favourable by the Guild:

- Fund materials for a special project produced for exhibition or donated to an external community body
- Contribute to the cost of producing a book or publication that is a component of a special project targeting the community
- Support (wholly or partially attendance at a specialist workshop located interstate or overseas, that is not available in a close location. Transport costs, workshop fees and/or accommodation, may be contributed to by scholarship funding.
- Funding country travel and accommodation expenses whilst developing community interest and expertise in quilting, as part of a non-profit making exercise.

Closing date for submissions is 28th August 2009

Successful applicants will be announced at the AGM held in September 2009.