The Bernie Funk Artist Explorations Scholarship is a scholarship awarded on an annual basis for an artist aged 18 or older working in two-dimensional or three-dimensional media, excluding glass. The scholarship will include classes in the metal, wood, stone, drawing, painting, and/or printmaking studios, a membership to Pratt, studio access, a supply stipend, and professional development opportunities.

**Scholarship Award:** The Bernie Funk Artist Explorations Scholarship will include the following:

- $3,000 credit at Pratt Fine Arts Center to apply towards class/workshop registrations and related supply fees, or studio/equipment access fees* to be applied over the duration of the award year, which runs September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024
- $1,000 materials stipend paid directly to the artist
- Up to $500 reimbursed for professional development workshops such as those offered through the Artist Trust
- Master level membership at Pratt Fine Arts Center (provides studio access, discounts on classes and supplies)

Furthermore, Pratt Fine Arts Center will make every possible effort to promote the recipient’s work and ensure maximum public exposure throughout the experience.

**Eligibility:** The Bernie Funk Artist Scholarship is open to visual artists at any career stage, aged 18 years and older. Board, advisory board, and staff members of Pratt Fine Arts Center, as well as Pratt instructors, are not eligible to apply.

**Application Evaluation:** Applications will be reviewed by a diverse committee of local artists and arts professionals. The scholarship will be awarded to the applicants who demonstrate exceptional promise, and whose past work and activities show strong potential and dedication to a career in art. Finally, the recipients’ proposals will clearly articulate the anticipated educational impact of the award, including intended learning outcomes to be pursued using Pratt’s facilities during the scholarship year.

**Application Requirements:**

1. **Statement of intent (1,000 words or less), answering the following questions:**
   a. What do you intend to explore or accomplish during your scholarship year? Please reference all of the following that may apply:
      i. Specific project(s) you have in mind
      ii. Skills and/or techniques you plan to explore or develop
      iii. Classes/workshops you plan to take, or other educational resources you plan to pursue
   b. How does your proposed scholarship work relate to your previous work and artistic practice?
   c. What are your professional goals?

2. **Six (6) images of current work, labeled with your last name, title of piece, and numbered order for viewing. Images should be 7 inches on the longest side and have a minimum resolution of 180dpi.**

*Successful completion of a studio orientation and access test are required to use Pratt’s facilities independently.*
3. Numbered image list that includes the following information for each piece:
   a. Title
   b. Dimensions
   c. Medium
   d. Year of completion
   e. Photo credit (if necessary)

4. Current resume or curriculum vitae

5. The following items to be used by Pratt Fine Arts Center in marketing should you be awarded this scholarship:
   a. Brief biography (less than 150 words), written in third person
   b. Headshot, photograph of your work, logo, or other image to be published with your biography
   c. Applicable social media handles and/or website that you would like the public to know about

All applications must include a completed scholarship application form. This can be completed online, turned in at the front desk of Pratt Fine Arts Center, or printed out and mailed to:

Pratt Fine Arts Center
  c/o Natalia Torres
  1902 South Main St
  Seattle, WA 98144

TO APPLY ONLINE, visit www.pratt.org/scholarships

For questions or assistance, email RKLee@Pratt.org with “Scholarship assistance” in the subject line.


A recipient will be announced in August, and the award year begins September 1, 2023.