

Richard Piercy Sr. Memorial Scholarship Digital Film

Purpose

The Richard Piercy Sr. “Digital Film” Scholarship was created to encourage young filmmakers at the Academy for Academic Excellence in the pursuit of excellence in digital film production. The fund was created in the honor of Richard Piercy Sr. who, in his last years of life found tremendous enjoyment working with the Academy’s young film students and their instructor, Mr. Steve Orsinelli. Mr. Piercy was encouraged and awed by the creativity and technical knowledge of the young people he was able to work with. At the time of his death, April 30, 2005 he was working on the History of Victorville project with a group of his life long friends and the students.

Amount – \$500 Annually

How Fund is Sustained: Donations

Guidelines/Criteria

- Applicants must be seniors at the Academy for Academic Excellence
- Must plan to further their education at an accredited institution in the area of film or broadcasting
- The recipient must be a good citizen, have good attendance and have a good work ethic.
- Must submit a portfolio of work related to film projects accomplished in high school
- Awards must be used to pay for tuition, books, school related fees, and/or room and board (receipts and acceptance letter required)
- Awards will be sent to accredited institution

Application Form/Process

- Applicants must complete the required application and include the following:
 - An Official Academic Transcript
 - Applicant Consent Form
 - A minimum of two references (non-relative) from persons familiar with the student and his/her work in the area of film, the student’s character and work ethic.
 - An essay concerning the goals and aspirations of the student and how he/she plans to use the education they receive to make the goals reality

Selection Process/Committee

- Recipients are selected by the Scholarship committee and at least one member of the Piercy family