BJ ALISAGO MEMORIAL (BJAM) ARTISTIC SCHOLARSHIP

The **BJ Alisago Memorial *"BJAM"* Artistic Scholarship is dedicated to empowering young Filipino/a/x artists throughout the San Francisco Bay Area *and* Sacramento County by providing financial support that nurtures creativity, artistic excellence, cultural pride, and community leadership. Established in honor of Benito V. Alisago - a gifted musician, dancer, actor and community advocate – the scholarship celebrates creativity, cultural pride, leadership, and community impact.**

Eligibility Guidelines: Applicants who demonstrate artistic talent, dedication, creativity, achievement or exceptional potential in any of the eligible artistic interests are encouraged to apply. Students at all skill levels who are actively pursuing artistic growth are also welcome.

Performing Arts:

Music:
- Vocal Performance (Singing)
- Songwriting & Composition
- Instrumental Performance
- Music Production

Dance:
- Hip Hop
- Ballet
- Modern/Contemporary
- Jazz
- Cultural Dance (including Hula, Filipino Folk Dance, Tahitian, etc)
- Other Dance Styles

Theatre:
- Directing
- Producing
- Musical Theatre
- Stage Management
- Playwriting

Visual Arts:

- Painting
- Drawing
- Illustration
- Graphic Design
- Digital Art
- Photography
- Filmmaking
- Animation
- Sculpture
- Mixed Media

Literary Arts:

- Poetry
- Spoken Word
- Short Stories

Scholarship Award:
- Ages 5 to 12: ***UP*** to $500.00
- Ages 13 to 18: ***UP*** to $1,000.00

Award amounts are determined by the Scholarship Review Committee and based upon Artistic Talent, Creativity, Commitments, Leadership, Community Involvement and Overall Application.

Requirement Guidelines:

1. Applicants must be of Filipino/a/x descent
2. Be between 5 and 18 years of age.
3. Live in the surrounding San Francisco Bay Area region.
4. Live in the surrounding Sacramento County region.
5. Attend school or be homeschooled.
6. Complete the entire application.
7. Submit all required materials.
8. Agree to provide proof of use of scholarship funds within 12 months.

Part I: Applicants 5 to 12 years of age:

Video clip is required for applicant submission (written essay is not required for this age group)

1. What is your favorite song, movie or book, and why?
2. What is an activity that you enjoy doing?
3. If you could pick one art form to learn and study, what would it be?

Part II: Applicants 13 to 18 years of age:

Essay is required for applicant submission. Please answer the questions below. (Video clip is not applicable for this age group). Answer each essay question on a separate sheet of paper.

1. Who has had the greatest influence on your artistic journey, and why?
2. Describe a challenge you've overcome through your art.
3. What inspires your creativity?
4. What artistic accomplishments are you most proud of?
5. How have you contributed to your school or community through the arts?
6. Describe a work of art, film, book, performance, or piece of music that has influenced you.
7. What role do you believe art plays in building stronger communities?

ALL APPLICANTS must answer question below:

1. If selected as a BJAM Artistic Scholarship recipient, explain specifically how you would use the scholarship funds to further your artistic education.

Part III:

Include one high resolution jpeg headshot/photo.
I grant permission for BJAM to use my image for scholarship publicity.
Please initial agreement: _____

Part IV:

How did you learn of the BJ Alisago Memorial *"BJAM"* Artistic Scholarship?

2027 *"BJAM"* SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please **complete all information required**. All information will be kept confidential. *Use additional paper if necessary.*		
1.	Last Name:	First Name, Middle Initial: Pronouns (optional):
2.	Mailing Address: Street: City: State: Zip:	
3.	Daytime telephone number: ( ) Applicant's Email address: Social Media Handle (if any): (Instagram, Facebook, Tiktok):	
4.	Date of birth: Month: Day: Year: Age:	
5.	Name and address of attending school: Grade:	
6.	Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): *(Include an address if different from your own listed in Question 2.)* Name(s): Street: City: State: Zip: Home phone of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): Mobile phone: Email address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): Parent(s) Social Media Handle (if any): (Instagram, Facebook, Tiktok) *optional*:	

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT

- I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner, my picture may be taken and used to promote the **BJ Alisago Memorial *"BJAM"* Artistic Scholarship Program**.
- I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to the **BJ Alisago Memorial *"BJAM"* Artistic Scholarship Program** policy, I will be present at the awards ceremony and/or reception to receive my scholarship award.
- I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to the **BJ Alisago Memorial *"BJAM"* Artistic Scholarship Program**, it is my responsibility to submit to the BJAM Memorial Artistic Scholarship proof of receipt and/or enrollment, **no later than 12 (twelve) months from award.**
- I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. **Incomplete applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for scholarship consideration.**

Parent/Guardian Signature of scholarship applicant:

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Date: _____

Checklist:
_____ Completed Application
_____ Essay (Ages 13-18) OR Video Submission (Ages 5-12)
_____ High Resolution Photo
_____ Parent/Guardian Signature
_____ Additional Supporting Materials (optional)

Please submit application and all requirements to the following
BJAMemorialScholarship@gmail.com

REMINDER:

Completed Applications must be received by the BJ Alisago Memorial *"BJAM"* Artistic Scholarship review committee no later than **February 8th, 2027 by 5 PM Pacific Standard Time.**
There will be no exceptions.

Applications will be evaluated on:

- Artistic Talent & Skill
- Creativity & Originality
- Passion & Commitment
- Leadership & Community involvement
- Quality of Written responses
- Financial Need (if applicable)
- Overall Potential for Growth

Maraming Salamat (THANK YOU) for applying to the BJ Alisago Memorial Artistic Scholarship. We celebrate your creativity, dedication, and commitment to the arts. We wish you continued success on your artistic journey. A formal notification will be sent via email from BJAMemorialScholarship@gmail.com.

Please submit any questions to: BJAMemorialScholarship@gmail.com