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Sable Island Scholarship 2024

Friends of Sable Island is offering \$2,000 in scholarships in 2024 to promote learning and awareness of Sable Island National Park Reserve. Our scholarship is open to Nova Scotia students completing Grade 12 in 2024 and pursuing post-secondary education in the fall.

Sable Island National Park Reserve

Sable Island National Park Reserve is a 40-kilometre stretch of sand located approximately 290 kilometres southeast of Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. It is home to many species of animals, sea life, birds, and plants, including approximately 500 wild horses, which were introduced sometime shortly after 1738. Many birds, including small numbers of the threatened Roseate Tern, live on the island. It is also the only known breeding ground of the rare Ipswich Sparrow. Sable Island is the largest congregation of breeding Grey Seals and home to a small population of Harbour Seals. More recent discoveries include the endemic Sable Island Sweat Bee.

There has been a continuous human presence on Sable Island since 1801 when the colonial government founded a lifesaving establishment to reduce the loss of life and cargo from the frequent shipwrecks on and near Sable's shores. In spite of having earned the title "Graveyard of the Atlantic", the island has been an inspiration to artists of all disciplines – from those who have been fortunate to visit in person to those who feel connected to it from afar.

Scholarship Details

- \$1500 CAD scholarship for the winning entry and \$500 CAD for second place is open to any grade 12 student in the Nova Scotia school system.
- Monies must be applied to a post-secondary educational institution in 2024. Funds will be paid to the post-secondary institution on the student's behalf.

Form of submission

- Students are invited to report on a significant event in Sable Island's history. This report can be in the form of a mock newspaper article, video news report or simulated podcast. Written applications should be 800-1,000 words; video or audio content should be 3 - 5 minutes long. The goal is to create an accessible and entertaining piece that immerses the reader in a true event from Sable's past.
- The final product must be in English.
- The winning submission(s) will be featured on our website and used in our education programs. All submissions remain the intellectual property of the students.

Application Information

- Submissions must be sent by e-mail to scholarships@sableislandfriends.ca by 11:59pm on Monday April 29, 2024.
- All copyright rules must be followed (for example, permission to use other people's images must be obtained and submitted with the application).
- Submissions are to be accompanied by a completed application form and reflective statement.
- The reflective statement should be 250 words or less on what Sable Island means to you and why you have applied for this scholarship.
- The following supporting documentation can be either scanned and e-mailed to scholarships@sableislandfriends.ca, or mailed to "Friends of Sable Island Society, PO Box 622, Halifax CRO, Halifax, NS B3J 2R7":
 - current resume, and
 - transcript from the most recent reporting period indicating a grade point average of 75+.

Judging

- Creativity, clarity, accuracy and content will be used to evaluate the submissions.
- Review of the submissions will occur by May 24, 2024.
- The decision of the Review Committee is final.



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Application Form

Name _____

School _____

Title of Submission _____

Submission Checklist:

- Submission
- Application form
- 250 word reflective statement
- Current resume
- Most recent high school transcript

I agree that my submission entitled _____
can be posted on the Friends of Sable Island Society Website and social media channels, and used for
educational purposes. I also agree to have my photograph and first and last name posted on the
Friends of Sable Island Society Website and social media channels for publicity purposes.

Signature

Date

Parent's signature if student is under 18

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Questions may be directed to scholarships@sableislandfriends.ca