



Ontario Handweavers & Spinners

INGRID BOESEL SCHOLARSHIP

Overview

- An award of \$300 will be made available annually for one promising new weaver, to assist with travel and registration for a major conference such as the OHS Conference, Convergence or Complex Weavers Seminar.
- A new weaver is considered to be someone within the first three years of entering into the OHS Weaving Certificate course and nominated by the Education Chair, or someone nominated by a weaving guild in Ontario who is within the first three years of local weaving educational programs.
- Preference will be given to nominees who have received a first place award in a regional weaving event. Otherwise, the selection by the Awards Committee shall be made in the same terms as for other scholarships.

Criteria

Considerations include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Nominees are to be a current individual member of OHS and an individual member of OHS for the previous year.
- Nominees are to be promising new weavers and within their first three years of entering the OHS Weaving Certificate course, or within their first three years of a local weaving program.
- Nominators are limited to the OHS Education Chair for weavers in the OHS Weaving Certificate course and weaving guilds in Ontario for weavers in a local weaving program. It is not necessary for the weaving guild to be a member of OHS in order to make a nomination.
- Nominations must include written background information on the nominee, outlining why the weaver is considered to be “promising”.
- Nominations must include at least one sample of the nominee’s work with the application. Samples will consist of digital photographs in jpeg or tiff formats, with a resolution that makes the image clearly readable. Each sample requires two images - an overview of the item and a close-up. Physical samples are not to be submitted.
- Nominations need to include which major conference the nominee will be attending.
- Nominators and nominees may be contacted to clarify the applications.

Time Line for Applications

- Deadline for applications: February 1st in each calendar year. All completed applications must be received by the Awards Chair by the February 1st deadline. Applications are to be sent by email to awards@ohs.on.ca.
- The results will be announced in March of each year.
- If an nominee does not follow through by attending a major conference, as indicated, the Ingrid Boesel Scholarship fund must be repaid in full within three months of the conference date.

Awards Committee

The Committee consists of the Scholarship and Awards Chair as named on the masthead of Fibre Focus or the OHS website, the OHS Vice-President, and two members of OHS who are familiar with the policies and activities of OHS, but who are not members of the Board. Judging will be blind.