

## **New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival 2012**

Dear Art Educator:

The New Hampshire Institute of Art is pleased to be hosting the New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival again in 2012. After careful review of previous comments made on Allstate Art Festival evaluations and in conjunction with the Institute calendar, we have moved the date of this year's event to July 24 and 25. We realize that this puts more responsibility on the students and families because it is outside of the academic year. It is possible the new dates will give nominating art teachers more of an opportunity to participate in closing ceremonies.

Enclosed are the nomination papers for the New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival 2012. Enclosed you will find all the materials your students will need to complete the application process. Each teacher may nominate ONE or TWO juniors from his/her classes. Only sixty students are accepted in to the whole program. As many of you already know, there is an effort to reach out to the smaller and/or more remote communities, therefore, no more than five students per school are accepted.

Below is a list of the contents of this packet. We have also included some important dates to help avoid conflicts. It is important for all nominees to come to their scheduled interview. In order to be fair, all interviews must take place on the designated Interview Day. If nominees can't make the scheduled time, they should call ahead and make arrangements for a different time during that day. Please make sure your nominees are aware of their interview appointment. Students must submit all required materials for their application to be considered. We hope that this will help you and your students organize their application.

**Please copy each of the following items for each student applicant. The student must mail in items 1 through 8 and keep item 9.**

**MAIL:**

1. Application Checklist
2. Application Cover sheet
3. Student Information Sheet
4. Essay Question Sheet
5. CD Submission Form
6. Art Teacher Nomination Form
7. Second Recommendation Form
8. Parent/Guardian Consent Form (2 pages)

**KEEP:**

9. Interview Artwork Information

## **Important Dates and 2012 Allstate Art Festival Deadlines**

### **Friday February 24, 2012** – deadline for nomination materials

Amanda Abbott, NHAAF Coordinator  
New Hampshire Institute of Art  
156 Hanover Street  
Manchester, NH 03101

### **Friday March 16, 2012** – Nomination Packets Reviewed

New Hampshire Institute of Art (snow date: March 17)  
Fuller Hall, 156 Hanover St, Manchester NH 03101

### **Saturday March 24, 2012** – Student Interviews

New Hampshire Institute of Art (snow date: March 25)  
French Building, 148 Concord Street, Manchester, NH

### **Week of April 9, 2012** – Notification

### **Tuesday and Wednesday July 24 and 25, 2012**

NH Allstate Art Festival

If you've volunteered for the Art Allstate program in the past, your time and support are appreciated and we urge you to remain involved. Volunteers will receive professional development and a rewarding experience with your peers.

- *We need teams of art educators to review and evaluate the nomination packets in a professional workshop day, Friday, March 16, 2012.*
- *We need art educators to interview applicants on Saturday, March 24, 2012. (Interviewers are paired up to evaluate the students' artwork and their need and desire to attend the program. This could be approximately a three hour commitment.)*

If you would like to be a volunteer in any of these areas or if you have any questions regarding the Allstate Art Festival, please contact me at (603) 836-2576 or [aabbott@nhia.edu](mailto:aabbott@nhia.edu).

Thank you for your support of the New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival. We look forward to working with you and your students.

Sincerely,

Amanda Abbott, NH Allstate Art Festival Coordinator



**NHAAF 2012 Application Cover Sheet**  
(To be completed by nominated student)  
Please print clearly in ink or word process.

**Student: Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Student Address \* \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Student E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Student Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**High School:** \_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Art Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

School Principal \_\_\_\_\_

High School Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian #1:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian #2 (optional)** \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*If you are boarding at school or are away from home, please list your current mailing address.*

**All materials must be received by February 24, 2012.**

**Incomplete or late packets will be ineligible for consideration.**

**NHAAF Events dates are: Tuesday and Wednesday, July 24 & 25, 2012**

**NHAAF 2012 Student Information Sheet**

(To be completed by nominated student)

Please print clearly in ink or word process.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

List all high school art courses you have taken and the art courses you plan to take later in your junior year or as a senior.

Describe your favorite art medium to work in.

List any other art classes you have taken or programs you have attended outside of those offered at your school.

Describe any awards or honors etc. that you have won for your art and the approximate date you received them.

Describe any special art projects you have created with others or participated in as a group.

List any other extracurricular activities you are or have been involved in, either art related or not.



**NHAAF 2012 CD Submission Form**  
 (To be completed by nominated student)  
 Please print clearly in ink or word process.

1. You must submit exactly three (3) images (no more/no less) on a CD along with your nomination papers in a paper CD envelope, (window preferred).
2. Artwork must be recent and completed during your high school career.
3. Each individual applicant must submit his or her own personal CD. Multiple CDs or multiple artists' works on one CD are not acceptable.
4. Images should be saved in a jpeg format only. An appropriate resolution for the pictures is 800x600, or similar. If you have control over the DPI resolution of the image, 100-300 dpi would be ideal. FYI: Macs will be used to view the images.
5. Label each jpeg image with title, medium, size and date.
6. Complete this form with signature and attach to the CD.
7. Label the CD itself with your name, school, nominating art teacher and NHAAF 2012.

Name: Last: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Art Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I give the New Hampshire Institute of Art and/or The Currier Museum of Art permission to use images of my artwork in presentations, the website, or future publications.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

#	Title	Medium	Size	Date
1.				
2.				
3.				

**Label the CD with the following information:**

1. Your name; last, first, middle
2. Your high school
3. Nominating art teacher
4. NHAAF 2012

## NHAAF 2012 Art Teacher Nomination Form

This form is to be completed by an art teacher who has a good knowledge of the artistic abilities and interests of the student. *(In the absence of an art teacher, an administrator, guidance counselor, or other teacher may evaluate the student.)*

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Art Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the number that indicates how you rate the student's characteristics.

	(Low)	(Average)	(High)			
Self-motivation	1	2	3	4	5	6
Curiosity	1	2	3	4	5	6
Inventiveness/imagination	1	2	3	4	5	6
Receptiveness to new ideas	1	2	3	4	5	6
Willingness to accept challenges	1	2	3	4	5	6
Acceptance of constructive criticism	1	2	3	4	5	6
Cooperation with peers	1	2	3	4	5	6
Enthusiasm towards visual art	1	2	3	4	5	6

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1. List all art courses offered at your school that are currently available to this student. Please indicate any year-long courses.
  2. Discuss other factors that you think will benefit the student's nomination. Please be sure to discuss the student's self-motivation, willingness to accept challenges and his or her ability to cooperate and work with peers.

***Please word process. Use additional paper for items one and two and attach your recommendation to this form. Put your recommendation in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal and return the envelope to the applicant. The applicant should submit your recommendation along with the other nomination materials. Thank you***

***NHAAF Events dates are: Tuesday and Wednesday, July 24 & 25, 2012***

**NHAAF 2012 Second Recommendation Form**

(To be completed by an adult from the student's school or community who has good personal knowledge of the student. This should not be the nominating art teacher, another art teacher or a family member.)

**Student Candidate's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**High School** \_\_\_\_\_

To Whom It May Concern:

The student who has given you this form wants to participate in the New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival and is competing with other students from across New Hampshire for a chance to be selected. This form should be completed as soon as possible and must be included in their nomination packet, which is due Friday February 24, 2012. Up to sixty high school juniors will be chosen to attend this two-day program at the *New Hampshire Institute of Art* in Manchester, NH. The students will work in collaborative groups with professional artists in a combination of studio and museum experiences. The NHAAF Event dates are Tuesday and Wednesday, July 24 & 25, 2012.

The goals of the NHAAF are to enrich art learning beyond the classroom, to teach students about the museum and its collections, and to expand the students' creativity by working with artist-mentors, peers, and educators in a collegial setting.

We would appreciate your views of the student candidate asking you to write this recommendation. We've listed some questions below we feel are pertinent. Thank you for your input.

Sincerely,  
*The New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival Committee*

**Questions:**

1. How long have you known the candidate?
2. How did you become acquainted with the candidate?
3. Please provide insight into the student's character and qualifications for participating in the New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival program. Describe and elaborate on the student's interest and abilities in art as much as you can.

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please print name** \_\_\_\_\_

***Please word process the answers to the questions and attach your recommendation to this form. Put them in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal and return to the applicant. The student will then submit this with their other nomination materials no later than February 24, 2012.***

***Thank you. NHAAF 2012***

## NHAAF 2012 Parent/Guardian Consent Form

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your son or daughter has been nominated for the New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival competition. The NHAAF is an educational program for talented high school juniors to be held Tuesday and Wednesday, July 24 & 25, 2012, at the New Hampshire Institute of Art in Manchester, NH. Art teachers from all over the state have nominated students and approximately 60 will be chosen to participate.

The 2-day event provides an opportunity for students to expand their creativity and critical thinking by working with professional artists and peers in a collaborative studio setting. Family and friends will be invited to a special reception, which includes an exhibition of work by their children, on the afternoon of Wednesday, July 25, 2012.

Although there is no fee for applying, there is a **\$100.00** charge if students are accepted and choose to participate. In need-based cases, it is recommended that the student consult their school or another organization for a scholarship, or contact the NHAAF committee to discuss other arrangements.

Applicants need to be aware that they should check their calendars, should they be accepted into the Art Allstate program to make sure they won't have any conflicts with the Interview Date of March 24 and Event Dates of July 24-25. Event details will be sent at a later date to accepted applicants.

If you have any questions regarding the Allstate Art Festival, please contact me at (603) 836-2576 or [aabbott@nhia.edu](mailto:aabbott@nhia.edu).

*Sincerely,  
Amanda Abbott  
NH Allstate Art Festival 2012 Coordinator*

- WHERE:** NEW HAMPSHIRE INSTITUTE OF ART  
Manchester, NH
- WHEN:** Tuesday, July 24, 2012 (10am) through  
Wednesday, July 25, 2012, (6pm)
- HOUSING:** PLAZA DORM
- COST:** \$100 PER STUDENT – Includes housing, meals, art materials
- INTERVIEW:** Saturday, March 24, 2012 (snow day, March 25)

***The permission form on the next page must be signed and included with the student's application packet.***

**Parent/Guardian Consent Form**

I have reviewed the materials about the New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival shared with me by my son/daughter's high school. I understand that if selected, he/she will attend ALL activities on ***Tuesday and Wednesday, July 24 & 25, 2012***. I will also provide transportation should he/she be asked to appear for an interview at the New Hampshire Institute of Art on ***Saturday, March 24, 2012***. (snow day, March 25) I give the NHAAF Committee permission to photograph or videotape my child during activities related to the New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival.

***Please sign below. This permission form must be included with the student's application packet.***

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Name (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Name (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **NHAAF 2012 Interview Artwork Information**

### **Interview:**

Every student who is nominated and fully completes a nomination packet for the New Hampshire Allstate Art Festival will be interviewed. The interviewers will ask the students to discuss ideas about art and the artwork created for the interview. The interview will take about 10 to 15 minutes. Students are responsible for getting themselves to and from the interview site at the *New Hampshire Institute of Art*. Students will receive notification of their interview time/session and directions in early March.

**Interview Site and Date:** New Hampshire Institute of Art, French Building  
148 Concord Street, Manchester, New Hampshire  
Saturday, March 24, 2012, 9am to 2pm  
(Snow date, March 25, 9am to 2pm)

### **Original Artwork:**

You are required to develop and bring a new original piece of art, created specifically for this interview. This artwork must not be included in the slides you submit.

Create an artwork that responds to the artistic vision revealed in Pablo Picasso's words:

***“Art is a lie that makes us realize truth.”***

### **Guidelines for Artwork:**

1. A new piece of artwork that is inspired by the quote above.
2. Be sure the piece can be easily transported.  
**2D** work; no larger than 24" x 36"; **3D** work; no larger than 24" x 36" x 24"
3. Demonstrates a good understanding of composition and design as well as creativity and craftsmanship. Challenge yourself! Any media or material may be used, ie; drawing materials, paint, photography, clay, digital, found objects, etc.