

OPPORTUNITY FOR FLEISHER'S
YOUNG ARTISTS AGES 14-19



Ella King Torrey!

CALL FOR ENTRIES

AWARD:

- An award of \$1,000 paid to the young artist (14-19 y.o.) to support continued development in the arts and increased exposure to opportunities in the arts
- Recognition as the 2025 Ella King Torrey Award recipient and opportunity to exhibit submitted work in a designated space at Fleisher Art Memorial
- Access to Fleisher's facilities and age-appropriate classes, to be structured based upon needs of student and available for a year following receipt of award
- Opportunities to work with Fleisher staff on speaking and writing about exhibitions and their artwork

BACKGROUND

Established by Ella Russell Torrey in honor of the contributions her daughter Ella King Torrey made to the community, the Young Artist Award supports the continued development of a young artist between the ages of 14 and 19. The Ella King Torrey Young Artist Award celebrates Ella's joy, excitement and commitment to artists by encouraging exceptional teenage students at Fleisher.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

The Ella King Torrey Young Artist Award may be used for art supplies, books, transportation, tuition, class fees, museum memberships, youth conferences, exhibition-related costs, or related materials/activities that will enhance the applicant's artistic development and/or ability to pursue education at an institution of higher learning.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must:

- Currently be between the ages of 14 and 19
- Attend/have attended one or more arts education programs held at Fleisher Art Memorial, or a Fleisher Community Partnerships in the Arts site in the last two years
- Submit a completed application form along with 2 artworks and essay
- Request a nomination from a member of Fleisher's staff or teaching faculty; in the case of a Community Partnership, please provide name of instructor.

AWARD CRITERIA

- Artistic ability and potential
- Clear articulation of future artistic goals and use of funds in the application
- Faculty/staff nomination
- Demonstrated commitment to Fleisher



APPLICATION DROP-OFF DEADLINE: FRIDAY, AUGUST 1 BY 3 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Assemble application materials to bring to Fleisher. These include:

- Completed application with essay based on questions provided – preferably typed & printed, not handwritten
- Name of Fleisher staff or faculty member endorsing you. If you need help with this, please contact **Gerard Silva**, Director of Exhibitions & Community Outreach, at gsilva@fleisher.org
- 2-3 LABELED artworks that follow size limitations listed on application. If artworks are delicate or fragile, please make sure they are packaged carefully!
- Drop off application and artwork at Fleisher between May 5 and August 1, 2025. Submitted artworks will also be featured in a designated space at Fleisher Art Memorial June 24 through July 28

DATES TO REMEMBER

MONDAY, APRIL 28 APPLICATION OPENS

SATURDAY, MAY 3 INFO SESSION AT FLEISHER (1PM - 3 PM)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1 APPLICATION DEADLINE - ALL MATERIALS DUE AT FLEISHER BY 3 PM

THE ELLA KING TORREY AWARD CEREMONY WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2025 FROM 4-6PM

SELECTION, NOTIFICATION, AND FOLLOW-UP

- Applicants and parent(s)/guardian will be notified by e-mail
- Award distribution will be negotiated with the recipient (either paid directly, or via payment to a third party on behalf of the recipient)
- The awardee and parent(s)/guardian must sign a letter of agreement
- The awardee will be featured in an article in a Fleisher e-newsletter
- The awardee will be asked to speak about their experience and the impact of the award to applicants the following year



NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

STUDENT'S EMAIL _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S EMAIL (required) _____

SCHOOL GRADE _____

NAME OF ENDORSING FACULTY/STAFF

Please write a brief 1-page essay based on the four questions below.

ESSAY QUESTIONS

- 1. What compels you to continue making your artwork? What are your artistic goals in the future?*
- 2. How has Fleisher played a role in your artistic development? In which Fleisher activities have you participated?*
- 3. How will the Ella King Torrey Young Artist Award help you pursue your interest in the arts?*
- 4. What else do you think is important for us to know about you?*

Submit this application with **2 examples** of recent artwork, labeled with: *Your Name, Title of Work, and Medium*. Each artwork should measure no more than 24" x 36" and weigh no more than 15 pounds.

Please print all information and attach these labels to each piece of artwork. Keep a copy of this form for your records.

ARTIST NAME

TITLE OF WORK #1 _____

MEDIUM _____

TITLE OF WORK #2 _____

MEDIUM _____

ARTIST AGREEMENT: 2025 ELLA KING TORREY

- I understand that my work will not be insured.
- I understand that my work may be photographed and used in Fleisher print and electronic materials.
- Artwork will be exhibited in a designated space at Fleisher Art Memorial.
- 2-D work will be displayed using magnets so there is no need for framing.
- Drawings should be fixed with appropriate fixative spray to prevent smearing (hair spray can work for this).
- I am submitting 2 pieces of recent artwork, each no larger than 24 x 36" and weighing 15 lbs. max.
- Artwork will be available for pick-up in August after the Ella King Torrey Exhibition Ceremony by appointment or anytime we are open during the Fall Term

I have read and agree to the above conditions:

STUDENT SIGNATURE

DATE

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

Please drop off completed applications, including essay and artwork at the front desk of Fleisher Art Memorial at 719 Catharine St, Philadelphia, PA 19147.

Questions about the application can be directed to Gerard Silva at gsilva@fleisher.org