Minister's Awards for Creative Excellence in the Arts:

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development has partnered with the arts community to recognize **grade 12 students** who excel in visual arts, performing arts, film & video, and music. Four winners will receive **scholarships** to help them pursue post-secondary studies in the creative arts.

Students can apply to one of 4 awards:

- Art Gallery of Nova Scotia Award for Excellence in Visual Arts
- Award for Excellence in Performing Arts
- Award for Excellence in Film and Video
- Charlie A'Court Scholarship for Excellence in Music (CASEM)

Three **\$1000 scholarships** will be granted according to overall merit (not necessarily one each in the categories of visual arts, performing arts, and digital multimedia). CASEM includes a **\$500 award** and a mentorship with musical artist Charlie A'Court.

Further details can be found at the <u>EECD Creative Awards Website</u>. Teachers and administrators are asked to encourage students to apply. Applications are due by **April 13**, **2025**.

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