

AAF/Seebacher Fine Arts Prize - How to Apply

Eligibility

Current graduate students from U.S. schools or those who have just completed their graduate studies in the past two years may apply.

Non-US citizens are welcome to apply, if they are a student or a recent graduate of an American art program. Please note that if a non-US citizen is selected, the AAF is not responsible for fees associated with acquiring the necessary visa, etc.

Application Requirements & Deadlines

Please submit your complete application postmarked no later than **APRIL 24, 2026**. Applications submitted via email must be sent to finearts.prize@americanaustrianfoundation.org by **5:00pm EST on APRIL 24, 2026**.

Please send the following documents to the AAF:

- Application form, including a recent photo of yourself (see downloads below)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation (the author of the letter of recommendation should email it directly to finearts.prize@americanaustrianfoundation.org)
- A current résumé or CV, detailing your educational background and artistic experience
- 7-10 digital images of your work, or video or sound clips, not to exceed a combined 10 minutes total. For combinations of still images and video and/or sound clips, please use your best judgment.
- A list of image/video/audio titles
- A one-page artist statement describing how attending the International Summer Academy Salzburg will help you to achieve your professional goals

The following formats are acceptable:

- Color slides - Digital images (.JPG or .TIF, not more than 300KB per image)
- Images will be displayed with a digital projector and a flat-screen monitor; the projector's native settings are: 1024 x 768 maximum resolution, 72 dpi, 4 x 3-pixel ratio

Incomplete applications will not be submitted to the jury. The AAF and Salzburg International Summer Academy are not responsible for lost applications.

Details

The American Austrian Foundation has administered this program since 2000. A jury chaired by Dr. Hildegund Amanshauser, the Director of the Salzburg International Summer Academy, will select the AAF Fine Arts Prize winners.

The fellowship covers Summer Academy tuition, up to \$1,500 of travel expenses, accommodation at Schloss Arenberg, and a stipend for meals.

Within one month after completion of the fellowship, each recipient is required to send a final report to the AAF: finearts.prize@americanaustrianfoundation.org.

***No telephone inquiries please; all inquiries must be submitted via email to
finearts.prize@americanaustrianfoundation.org***

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