

2016 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS
May 19, 2016 Bird Key Yacht Club

2016 MEMORIAL AND HONORARY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

ALYSSA DINKA: Scholarship in memory of *Marion Storm*, founder and first President of the Fine Arts Society of Sarasota

KATYA YOUNG: Scholarship in memory of *Linda Kopeck*, daughter of Carol Kopek

DAVID KLOS: Scholarship in memory of *Frank Colson*

ZACH HERMAN: Scholarship in memory of *Tom Lenox*

MATTHEW FALGOWSKI: Scholarship in memory of *Walter Maytham*

JOSHUA GALINDO: Scholarship in honor of *Howard Cowdrick*

ZOE VERBIL: Scholarship in memory of *Lois Page*

CHRISTINE WOZNAK: Scholarship in memory of *Ellen Prisco*

Austin Canon will major in music with trombone as his instrument. He has been selected for the Florida All State band the past two years and has been first chair in those ensembles each year. He has served as principal trombone in the Sarasota Youth Orchestra the last two years. In 2014 Austin was selected to perform as a soloist with the Sarasota Orchestra as winner of the Young Artist Competition.



Courtney Cramer has achieved remarkable music skills on one of the most difficult musical instruments, the oboe. She has shown musical versatility as she also plays the Mellophone (a brass instrument similar to a French horn) which she plays in the University of Florida marching band and the vibraphone, a percussion instrument. As a freshman, Courtney was the first chair oboist in the UF Symphonic Band and marches in the UF Gator Marching Band.

Alyssa Dinka is entering her Senior year at Pace University where she is majoring in Commercial Dance with minors in Art & Entertainment Management and Mathematics. A fourth year FASS scholarship recipient, Alyssa continues to grow professionally with a second year in the Rockettes Summer Intensive Course and building additional contacts in NYC. She contributes to her community by teaching dance to girls in Chinatown. Becoming a Rockette is a prominent dream goal.





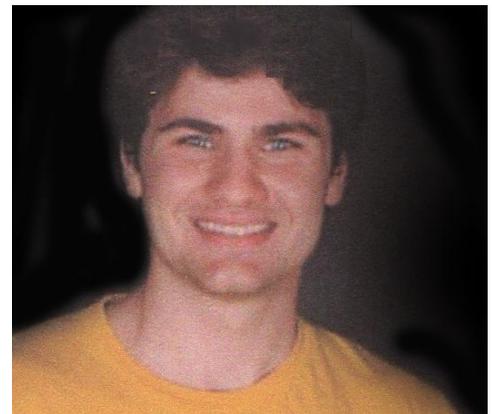
Matthew Falgowski has done extraordinarily well at the University of Northern Florida, where he is entering his senior year in music performance. He is a returning scholarship recipient, and we are delighted to have been able to support him these past three years. He is on the Dean's List and President's Honor Roll, and has been able to maintain a 4.0 GPA. He is a member of the UNF Jazz Ensemble, and is the Coordinator of the Jazz Combo.

Joshua Galindo, one of our past scholarship recipients, is entering his sophomore year at Ringling School of Art and Design. He had a very successful first year pursuing his goal of a Bachelor of Arts in Motion Design. He is an exceptionally gifted and dedicated student winning many awards including the Ringling College Design Book Award. He is highly motivated to mastering his craft by furthering his education.



Melanie Gasparoni is graduating from Pine View High School, and is pursuing her passion for art. She is president of National Art Honor Society and tutors with the Scholars for Scholars program. Melanie is known as a very bright student; a highly creative and talented artist, with a positive and mature presence, she will succeed at any of the many colleges and schools of art to which she has been accepted for fall 2016.

Zachary Herman is a Freshman at Carnegie Mellon with a Musical Theatre major. He is one of 24 freshman chosen from over 3,000 applicants for their Drama program. One of his professors at Carnegie Mellon said his work ethic is an example to everyone in the class to reach for more from within themselves. Zachary says his "ultimate goal has always remained: to become an excellent, well-rounded, and professional performer and a persistent, focused, and high achieving individual in life."





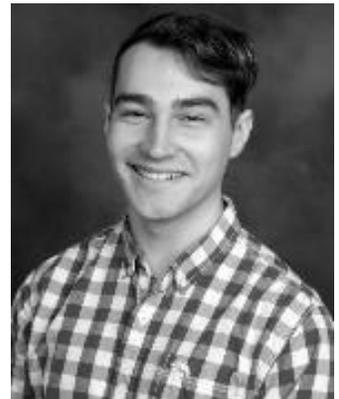
Abigail Hodgson is graduating from Booker High School where she has been president of both her junior and senior classes and vice-president of her sophomore and freshman classes. She is also active in the Robotics Club and Band and Color Guard. Abbie is interested in three-dimensional art with a focus on jewelry design. Several years ago she was fortunate to become an apprentice for a master jeweler who taught her the fundamental of working with precious metals and stone setting. Her jewelry designs are exceptional.

Delaney Jayne is a senior at Riverview High School with a 3.85 GPA. Her goal is to be involved in the theatre in either an onstage or behind the stage capacity,. She has served as an intern at Urbanite Theater since the summer of 2015 and is a member of the Drama Club and the National Thespian Troop.



David Klos is a very talented artist who is studying painting, design, and printmaking at Ringling College of Art and Design. He is in his freshman year and received a FASS scholarship for this year. He currently has two part-time jobs—one as a gallery monitor and another off-campus. He maintains a 4.0 GPA. He is applying for a summer job as a teacher's assistant at Ringling's Pre-College program. He also makes time to teach students at Booker Middle School for a project integrating art and poetry.

Skyler Miller is entering his freshman year of college. He is a gifted classical music pianist and has been performing well over twelve years. He teaches piano privately in addition to lending his talents in venues such as churches, hospitals and schools. His goal is to achieve a doctorate in music and then teach piano as well as perform classical music professionally.



Theodor Schimek, Illustration, Ringling college of Art & Design. As early as elementary school Ted was captivated by the idea of creating images that could tell a story. Fast forward to his sophomore year at Ringling College, and Ted is still captivated. He has turned it into a career goal as an illustrator. In his first year at Ringling, Ted did something exceptional. Working with Link Tools-USA he created a mascot character to represent a new tool series for the US Army Aviation. This character, "Sgt. Link", has been used in catalogs, business cards and ads.

Zoe Verbil is a freshman at Pace University pursuing a BFA in Musical Theatre (performing) with a minor in Digital Design. She is taking a rigorous performing arts schedule, plus 3 honor classes while working on her Digital Design minor and rehearsing for a show. With less than 3 hours of spare time a day she fills this with practicing piano, writing, and taking dance classes.



Shelby Walker wants to be involved as a director, writer or in some aspect of stage craft, and all of her efforts at Flagler College are towards those aims. A freshman Theatre Arts major, Shelby has a 3.34 GPA. Shelby is a five star Thespian in the International Thespian Chapter 6328.

Christine Wozniak is a FASS Scholarship winner for the past three years. An incoming senior at Southeastern University, Christine has shown positive growth and creative development as a Graphic Design major during her college career. She is an asset to the SEU Marketing department where she uses her exceptional skills at photography and digital imaging. Christine plans to open her own business in photography and branding after graduation.



Katya Young, a returning scholarship recipient, will be entering her senior year at Pratt Institute. She is majoring in communications design, and is studying illustration, advertising and graphic design as well as three dimensional design. She has received much praise from her professors for her outstanding work. She is presently applying for design internships at various companies throughout the US.