

Dear Ms. Quinn,

I'm Lena Thomson, a recipient of the **Anthony Quinn Arts Scholarship**. I am grateful for this scholarship because it will provide me with the financial support that I need to buy art materials. I am a senior at Washington State University and plan to achieve my Bachelor's in Fine Arts this Spring. I grew up in the tiny town of Kalama, Washington. Both my parents are science teachers at Kalama High School and my siblings took the science route as well. I guess I was the odd duck in my family because science never called my name. Ever since I was a child, I enjoyed creating things, whether it be ceramic projects or drawings.



I am honored to be a recipient of this fund because Anthony Quinn poured so much of himself into the art program during his 40 years at WSU. I feel inspired by art promoters and supports like Anthony Quinn because he created and sustained art programs not only in Pullman, Washington, but also across the Pacific Northwest. After I graduate, I hope to promote the arts as well by being an arts teacher for high school in the Pacific Northwest.

I am currently working on my Bachelor of Fine Arts Thesis Exhibition that will be displayed in the WSU Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art. The theme of my thesis focuses on finding and loving myself in my natural state. All my pieces are woodblock prints of nature and the silhouette of a woman (the silhouette of a woman represents me). Thank you again for supporting my education and art.

Sincerely,

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