

ACGOW & SERENA BATES present:

THE 2025 CORRINE HANSEN TAYLOR "ART IT FORWARD" SCHOLARSHIP

Have you ever wanted to make a difference in the arts community? We did and that is why the *Corrine Hansen Taylor "Art It Forward" Scholarship* was created. In 2025, two scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors in need of financial assistance, planning to pursue a career in any area of the arts – one senior from Westerly High School and a second from Stonington High School. This Scholarship honors a random act of kindness that changed the course of founder Serena Bates' life and career. Corrine Hansen Taylor, WHS '84, once surprised her friend of many years with an investment into her art career at a crucial time, thus providing support and giving momentum to her art career. One stipulation was made: when the right time came, the artist was to pay it forward. Now is that time.

The mission of this scholarship is to pay it forward by supporting young artists in need. It will be awarded through the *Artists Cooperative Gallery of Westerly*, the designated 501c3 nonprofit sponsor. The two winning recipients will each receive a \$1,000 award for art education, supplies or equipment, and will be given the opportunity to display their work or perform at the Cooperative. It is our hope to grow the scholarship fund to include other area schools as funds grow. We can't do this alone. Please join us in making a difference in a young creative's life and make a tax-deductible contribution to "Art It Forward."

Donations of \$100 or more made before December 31, 2024, will be entered into a raffle to receive an original work of art from Serena Bates, founder of the "Art it Forward" scholarship! Winner to be drawn 1/1/25. Good Luck!

Thank you so much,

Serena Bates

Serena Bates Sculpture/ACGOW

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Amount of Donation  \$25  \$50  \$100  Other

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*(Please make checks payable to ACGOW, Memo line 2025 "Art It Forward.")*

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Please mail donations to Serena Bates Sculpture, 32 Ann Street, Westerly, RI 02891 (401) 932-9775