



NS Talent Trust Application Checklist 2023

Dear Applicant,

Before you begin the online application process, make sure you have all support materials ready: PDF files, video/sound link, and other support materials. **Use Google Chrome as your browser** for best results. The application system will save your files and progress as you go. *(Do not use Internet Explorer as your browser. The application system will not work with it!)*

Your application must be submitted **before 5:00 p.m. Atlantic Standard Time (AST) on March 1** (Spring/Summer studies) or **5:00 p.m. Atlantic Daylight Time (ADT) on May 1** (Fall/Winter studies) and contain the following:

- Completed online application form.
- If applicable, a copy of your Permanent Residency status (PDF format).
- Verification of acceptance into your program of study, if available (PDF format).
- Copy (PDF format) or online link to the course outline or program description, as provided by the school, university, or institution.
- Current artist résumé no longer than 2 pages (PDF format).
- Artist statement (max. 500 words), as outlined on the online application form. You will add this directly into the online application form.
 - ***NEW in 2023: you can submit your Artist Statement in video format. Please note this in your online application, and if you are submitting a performance video please merge them together.**
- Budget, as outlined in the online application form.
- Index of your support material (PDF format).

Support material for your discipline:

- **Dance/Theatre/Opera/Music/Circus Arts/Film:** Merge your video/sound recordings into 1 video and upload to YouTube, Vimeo and/or SoundCloud and copy and paste the link to your online application. If applicant is applying for both deadlines (March 1st and May 1st) then a new introduction and one new piece of content must be added to the applicant's video for the May 1st deadline. Once you have applied, do **not** re-upload your revised video. A new file upload will overwrite your original link, which means the jury will be unable to view your work.
- **Visual Arts/Fine Craft/Theatre Design:** Upload a portfolio (1 pdf file) with 10 images (1 image/page) of your work with a complete description of each piece. (The file

cannot be more than 8 MB.) If you have difficulties uploading please check if you are using **Google Chrome** as your browser or get in touch with the Scholarship Program Coordinator right away at scholarship@nstalentrust.ns.ca.

o ***NEW in 2023: for artwork that is not easily represented in a flat PDF, you may submit video. Please merge all videos together.**

- **Literary Arts/Composition:** Upload your PDF writing/score samples in one merged document (not more than 20 pages).

If you're proposing private study, **you must obtain the following from your teacher** and include it in your online application (PDF format):

- A formal course outline, including proposed repertoire/curricular goals (PDF format).
- The number of lessons, as well as the duration and cost of each lesson (PDF format).
- A statement of interest from your teacher that describes why they believe this course of study would be beneficial (PDF format).
- The anticipated curricular outcome of your successful completion of the study program (PDF format).
- A current résumé from your teacher (PDF format).

If you will be furthering your arts education through a mentorship with an established artist, **you must provide the following** and include it in your application (PDF format):

- The name of your mentor
- A detailed description of the project plan
- A letter of support from your mentor
- A balanced budget and proposal indicating how you will use the awarded funds (mentor honorarium, living expenses, equipment/supplies, etc).

Note: Please give your teacher or mentor enough time to gather this information for you.

If you wish to apply for both Fall/Winter and Spring/Summer study periods, please be aware that you must make separate applications. You can only apply to the Fall/Winter deadline after the Spring/Summer application deadline has closed on March 1. For applicants applying to the May 1 deadline, the online application system will be shut down for maintenance for 2 weeks following the March 1 deadline. You will be able to submit your application when the application portal reopens.