

CHRISTI THOMAS \$1,000 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
DANCE UNLIMITED AWARD APPLICATION

In her nine short years, Christi Thomas repeatedly demonstrated passion for the arts and love for learning. In her memory, the Christi Thomas Memorial Fund was established to facilitate her desire to help others and to leave a lasting legacy. Although disease and the required travel for cancer treatments would ravage her body and take her away from home, friends, pets and toys, it could never take away rich experiences, which often included the arts and her desire to do good deeds. Despite four years of continuous treatments, Christi always delighted in returning to Tiffin to dance with Dance Unlimited whenever she was able. She adored all of her dance teachers and called her fellow classmates her friends. Remarkably, to the amazement of those around her, she never ceased to find comfort and joy in the arts. This Scholarship will allow other dancers, like Christi, to continue their love of learning at an institution of higher learning.



CRITERIA

The applicant must be a graduating Dance Unlimited Senior and attending an institution of higher education in the fall. This scholarship award will be announced on Senior Night at the Dance Unlimited recital every June.

SUBMISSION

This **AWARD APPLICATION**, **LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION** and **ESSAY** must be typed in Microsoft Word using 12 pt. Times New Roman Font and submitted electronically, by the due date May 12th (Christi's birthday) to: Scholarship@ChristiThomas.org. Once submitted, you will receive a confirmation email back informing you that the Scholarship Committee has received your email. Please ensure your application is complete before submission as incomplete applications will not be considered.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____
Address _____ City/State/Zip _____
Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____
High School _____ GPA _____

PURSUIT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Yes, I am currently accepted/enrolled at a college/university and will be taking classes this fall.

Where? _____ What will be your major? _____

ACTIVITIES/HOBBIES/INTERESTS

List/describe your years of experience with Dance Unlimited. Additionally, describe/list the other activities in which you participate and any work experience you wish to share. Limit yourself to the lines listed below.

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Why are you the right choice for the Christi Thomas Scholarship? _____

Anything else the committee should know about you? _____

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Request two people, familiar with your educational career and your personal background, to submit letters of recommendation. The letters (written in Microsoft Word) must be emailed from the writers by the May 12th deadline. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure these letters are received by the Scholarship Committee. The recommendation must not exceed 500 words and describe why the applicant should receive this scholarship in Christi's memory. (Recommendations can be written by: teachers, advisors, fellow students, clergy, etc.).

REFERENCE ONE	REFERENCE TWO
Name _____	Name _____
Address _____	Address _____
E-mail _____	E-mail _____
Phone (____) _____ Title _____	Phone (____) _____ Title _____

SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY

In the spirit of Christi, the applicant must write an essay, not to exceed 1,000 words, telling how they embrace a love of learning and the arts. This is to be submitted electronically to Scholarship@ChristiThomas.org.

JUDGING CRITERIA

The Scholarship Committee, consisting of five individuals, will read, review, reflect and discuss all applications, essays and letters of recommendation. Their decision will be based upon how well the applicant represents Christi's spirit through the quality of the essay, letters of recommendation and application questions.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE USE ONLY