

## **2024 Applications Accepted**

Applications are being accepted for the Patti & Walter Blenko Scholarship Fund for the Technical and Performing Arts through May 15, 2024.

- High school seniors residing in the greater Pittsburgh area\* are eligible to apply if they have been accepted into an accredited college, university, or conservatory that offers a four-year program in theater or performing arts, e.g., dance, drama, music, voice, costume or set design, etc. (\*Allegheny, Beaver, Butler, Fayette, Lawrence, Washington and Westmoreland counties.)
- Scholarships are awarded in amounts up to \$4,000. The amount and number of scholarships awarded will be determined by the scholarship committee. Scholarships are to be used for tuition only. Checks will be made payable to the school specified by the student.
- Students who have been granted one or more partial scholarships are eligible for a Patti & Walter Blenko Scholarship, but those who have received a *full* scholarship from any other source are not.
- The scholarship committee will evaluate each application on criteria such as the student's financial need, scholastic merit, and school/community involvement to determine semi-finalists.
- Each semi-finalist will be invited to audition for the scholarship committee. Auditions are judged on talent, professional presence, and interpersonal skills. The audition location is in the Pittsburgh area and will be disclosed to semi-finalists.
- The Patti & Walter Blenko Scholarship Fund intends to offer scholarships on an annual basis. However, the board of directors reserves the right to modify or discontinue the program at any time.
- All applicants are eligible without regard to race, color, gender, or national origin.
- Completed applications may either be submitted via Blenko.org or by printing and mailing along with the following documents to: Patti Matty Blenko, 779 Broughton Road, Bethel Park, PA 15101
- Applicants must enclose the following with their completed application:
  - ✓ High School Transcripts
  - ✓ Resumé
  - ✓ Narrative Sketch

- ✓ Statement of Financial Need
- ✓ Letters of Recommendation
- ✓ Headshot

For more information visit blenkofund.org or contact: Patti Blenko 412-498-8953 or patti@blenkofund.org