

## Free Spirit Gathering 2006 • Community Scholarship Program

Free Spirit Gathering is pleased to announce it's third annual Community Scholarship Program. Free Spirit is one of the country's largest and oldest Pagan Gatherings. Held each year in June, we bring together 800 or so people to exchange ideas, share knowledge and become community. This program is an outgrowth of our belief that through education and knowledge, fear and mistrust are diminished; and the fact that our children are the future of our community.

The program consists of two \$500 awards given to students in a program of higher learning leading to a degree or certificate. The student does not have to be perusing a traditional program of study at a traditional college. Enrollment in a therapeutic massage program, holistic healing program or other non-traditional program is allowed.

The selection committee is made up of two members of the Free Spirit Alliance and two members of the larger Pagan Community that we serve. Applications are ranked, with emphasis being given to the essay section, and the two highest scoring candidates are selected. In the event that the selection committee cannot reach a decision the top candidates are referred to the Board of Trustees of Free Spirit for final determination.

Even though the scholarship is given by a Pagan organization, it is open to students from any religious background. We feel the character, ideals and values of the individual are more important than his/her religious affiliation.

The deadline for submitting applications is May 1, 2006. Selected candidates will be notified by June 1, 2006. In addition to the cash award the selected candidate will be offered a complimentary admission to Free Spirit Gathering where the award will be presented.

Any questions regarding this scholarship should be directed to Catalina Castells at [scholarship@FreeSpiritGathering.org](mailto:scholarship@FreeSpiritGathering.org) You may also find answers to your questions on the FSG web site: [www.FreeSpiritGathering.org](http://www.FreeSpiritGathering.org).

Applications should be mailed to:

Catalina Castells  
Free Spirit Community Scholarship  
629 Brunswick Pike  
Lambertville, NJ 08530

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## Personal Information:

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended/Current School \_\_\_\_\_ Intended/Current Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ In the 2006/07 school year I will be entering my \_\_\_\_\_ year

H.S./College: \_\_\_\_\_ HS/College Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

HS/College Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

If in HS, Principal Name: \_\_\_\_\_ If in HS, Guidance Counselors Name: \_\_\_\_\_

HS/College GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ HS Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_. SAT Math: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Verbal: \_\_\_\_\_

## Academic and Community Activities:

Please list any activities that you participated in. These can be school related, spiritually related or community related. Please include dates you were active and a contact for each.

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Personal Essays:

Please answer the questions 'Why I should be selected to receive this award' and 'How my intended major/career choice will allow me to further Pagan ideals'.

Your essays should be single sided, double-spaced, using a standard font and at 12 point.

## Letters of Recommendation:

Please submit three letters of recommendation using the form provided.

## Certification:

We certify that all information submitted in this application is true and correct. (If applicant is under age 18, then parent or guardian must also sign.)

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the Free Spirit Community Scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

Completed application must be postmarked by May 1, 2006. Award recipients will be notified by June 1, 2006.

Please send completed applications to:

Catalina Castells  
Free Spirit Community Scholarship  
629 Brunswick Pike, Lambertville, NJ 08530

Email: [Scholarship@FreeSpiritGathering.org](mailto:Scholarship@FreeSpiritGathering.org)  
Web: [www.FreeSpiritGathering.org/scholarship](http://www.FreeSpiritGathering.org/scholarship)

Please check your application to make sure that you've included all information, recommendations, signatures and your two essays. Free Spirit Gathering reserves the right to use excerpts from the winning application in its promotion of the scholarship program. Winner's names will not be used without express permission.

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## Recommendation Form:

In the space below please provide as honest and objective a reference for the applicant as possible. This scholarship is not based on need or academics, but subtler values that are sometimes hard to quantify; trust, community service, strong sense of personal ethics and values as well as the more standard criteria of leadership, motivation and aptitude. If this is an open recommendation you return it to the applicant to be forward to us. If this is a closed recommendation, please mail it to Catalina Castells, Free Spirit Community Scholarship, 629 Brunswick Pike, Lambertville, NJ 08530. Email is [Scholarship@FreeSpiritGathering.org](mailto:Scholarship@FreeSpiritGathering.org) Please use additional paper if needed.

Applicants Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Reference Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Reference address: \_\_\_\_\_

Reference Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Reference Email \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Reference should not be a relative)



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