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The Ontario Horticultural Trades Foundation:

Who we are and what we do



The Foundation's mandate is to nurture, encourage and support scholarships and research in the horticulture industry.

Since 1979, the Foundation has contributed over \$350,000 in scholarships

and bursaries and millions of dollars worth of research funding.

Hundreds of young industry leaders have benefited from the scholarship support.

Many of the industry's most innovative projects and concepts have had their start with a grant from the Foundation. This includes research into potted trees, container growing, pesticide alternatives, plant selection, growing media, weed and insect control, nutrient management and many other projects that have shaped our industry and provided huge opportunities for growth and prosperity.

The Foundation is a registered Charity. The overhead costs are kept very low ensuring that maximum contributions are awarded to research and scholarship recipients.

The Foundation raises funds through initiatives such as the Integrated Pest Management Symposium, Landscape Ontario Research Auction and through direct fundraising. To ensure sustainability, the Foundation primarily uses earned interest to support the research and scholarship activity.

Please help us build a health future for the horticultural industry. Help us make a positive difference in the lives future industry members.

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HORTICULTURAL TRADES ASSOCIATION

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Green for Life!

Landscape Ontario Horticultural Trades Association, comprised of over 2,000 members, is the trade association serving the range of Ontario's green industry sectors. The association's mandate is to be the leader in representing, promoting and fostering a favourable environment for the advancement of the horticulture industry in Ontario.

For more information,
visit www.landscapeontario.com or
www.ohtf.ca

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to watch for new opportunities.



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Horticultural Scholarship Opportunities



Securing the future
of the horticultural
industry through
the financial support
of research
and scholarships

Scholarships

One of the most important mandates of the Ontario Horticultural Trades Foundation is to nurture and advance the horticultural industry through the funding of industry-related scholarships. Each year the Foundation makes available a number of scholarships in the following categories. These awards are determined by available funding and the applications received. **Note: all applicants must reside in Ontario.**

Scholarship Application Form

Application submission deadline is:

JUNE 30th for the upcoming academic year.

All scholarships are subject to availability of funds (please include all applicable scholarship requirements: transcript, essay, etc)

Mail application to:

Ontario Horticultural Trades Foundation
7856 Fifth Line South, Milton, ON L9T 2X8 or
Fax to: 905-875-3942 – attn: K. Pugliese or
Email: scholarships@landscapeontario.com

PLEASE PRINT

Date

Name

Address

City

Province

Postal Code

Telephone

Email Address

Name of High School (required for High School Scholarship applications)

Name of College/University (you will be or are attending)

Name of program

Program Coordinator

Coordinator's email address

Please check the scholarship you are applying for:

Scholarships for High School Graduates:

☐ **College or University Scholarship, \$1,000**

Five \$1,000 scholarships for first-year students entering a full-time horticultural program at an accredited college or university.

Criteria: Candidates must complete the application form and provide a two-page essay on why you want to enter the horticultural industry. Include your interests and experience in the horticulture industry in your essay, and enclose your updated high school transcript.

☐ **Casey van Maris Memorial Scholarship, \$1,000**

Available to secondary students entering the first year of a post-secondary ornamental horticulture program of an accredited educational institution. Candidates will be chosen based on transcripts and a two-page essay on why they want to enter the horticultural industry. Transcripts must accompany application.

☐ **Apprenticeship Scholarship, \$600**

Five \$600 scholarships for students in a horticulture apprenticeship program at an accredited college or university.

Criteria: Candidates must complete the application form, provide a two-page essay on why you want to enter into the horticultural industry, include your interests and experience in the industry.

NOTE: Confirmation letter of acceptance on school letterhead must be provided prior to scholarship being sent to recipient

Post-secondary Scholarships:

☐ **Post-secondary Scholarships, \$1,000**

Available to students entering the final year of a horticultural degree or diploma program, or any other program of benefit to the horticultural industry, at university, college or polytechnic institute. The award is based on overall academic excellence. Transcripts must accompany application.

☐ **Horticulturist Scholarship, \$500**

Available to a student entering the final year of any horticultural program in Ontario who achieves excellence in plant material courses. Transcripts must accompany application.

☐ **Tony DiGiovanni Scholarship, \$1,000**

Available to students enrolled in any post-secondary landscape or horticultural program. This scholarship is awarded to the candidate that best exemplifies the qualities that build trust in the profession of horticulture.

Criteria: Candidates must be nominated by their teachers, with a letter citing specifics that reflect the candidate's character and behaviour. Transcripts must accompany application. Supporting reference letters from fellow students and/or employers are helpful.

Note: Only one application per university or college is accepted for this scholarship.

☐ **Horst Dickert Memorial Scholarship, \$1,000**

Available to a student enrolled in a post-secondary horticulture or landscape-related program, or any other program with areas of study of benefit to the horticulture industry, at an Ontario college or university. The candidate must have an interest in native plants and their use in the landscape, demonstrated by a letter from an instructor and/or an employer.

☐ **Waterloo Chapter Green Industry Scholarship - \$1000**

Available to a student enrolled into a "green industry" program as it relates to one or several of the Association's industry sector groups.

Criteria: The applicant must be a member of the Waterloo Chapter including family (children or grandchildren), employee of a member company or family of employee and attending an accredited college or university. Send application to Landscape Ontario. Review and selection of recipient will be by Waterloo Chapter Board of Directors.

Post-graduate Scholarships

☐ **Post-graduate Scholarships, \$1,000**

Available to a student entering a PhD or Masters program in Horticulture or Landscape Architecture at an accredited Ontario university. The award is based on overall average.

☐ **John and Ruth Wright Scholarship, \$2,000**

Post-graduate Studies in Turf Management

Criteria: MSc or PhD students conducting research under a University of Guelph faculty member, that is relevant to the turfgrass industry in Ontario. Preference will be given to students working on projects that benefit the home lawn industry or aid the development and improvement of Class 11 pesticides. Applicant to submit application including a letter (no more than two pages) outlining the research project and the proposed benefit to the turfgrass industry. A letter of reference from an advisor and school transcript are also required. The recipient will be selected based on quality and relevance of the graduate research.

Other Scholarships Available

☐ **Ottawa Chapter Scholarship, \$500**

Available to a graduate of any horticultural program in Ontario who is currently working for a member of Landscape Ontario's Ottawa Chapter. The award is based on excellence, dedication to the profession and submitted transcripts.

☐ **Graduate Research Assistant Program, \$6,000**

Available to a graduate student at the University of Guelph studying at a Masters or Doctorate level. The candidate is chosen by the University's Department of Plant Agriculture or School of Environmental Sciences, and approved by the Growers Group of Landscape Ontario and HRIO.