

**BOATING WRITERS INTERNATIONAL**  
**108 Ninth Street      Wilmette, IL 60091      (847) 736-4142**

**BWI Active Interest Media Boating Journalist Scholarship**  
**2021 - Scholarship Application**

**PURPOSE:** To honor an undergraduate college student who has demonstrated a passion for the field of boating media and has a clear career goal in the areas of: writing, photography, video, broadcasting, film, or art.

**Applicants must be enrolled in an undergraduate college or university program**  
**Submitted materials will not be returned.      Application deadline: January 15, 2021**

Name (last/first/middle) \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Country \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Present College or University \_\_\_\_\_

Class in 2020-21 School Year \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Grad Date \_\_\_\_\_

Current GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Major Field(s) of Study \_\_\_\_\_

Boating Media Experience – List and describe your current and past experience. Samples should illustrate journalism standards of factual correctness, avoidance of bias, and an effort to present all sides of a given subject. (Attach sheets if necessary). If online, list URL:

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List your extracurricular activities and explain your involvement (attach sheets if necessary):

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What other activities do you enjoy? What volunteer experience have you had?

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Names, Occupations and Contact Information of References:

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Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**

Boating Writers International (BWI) sponsors an annual scholarship program for tomorrow's boating communicators. BWI is interested in rewarding outstanding undergraduate students who are involved in and preparing to devote a substantial amount of their life's work in the field of writing, photography, video, broadcasting, film, or art.

Ideal candidates are talented communicators with boating interests who can demonstrate a record of accomplishment in and commitment to this field. Judges look for applicants with talent, promise and firsthand knowledge of the boating life. Applications are rated on clarity, organization and originality. Grade-point average is also considered.

Scholarship awardees receive a complimentary one-year student membership in BWI and are ineligible to apply for future BWI scholarships. BWI Scholarship Board members and their immediate family members are ineligible for scholarship.

**CRITERIA:**

- 1.) The scholarship is open to qualified undergraduate students from any academic discipline, from any accredited college or university.
- 2.) There is no limit to the number of candidates that may apply from one college or university.
- 3.) Each candidate should have clear, significant goals in the field of boating media, demonstrated by submission of printed, film or taped material, job history, course orientation or other evidence of good faith. Boating media broadly includes print, film, online, and tape media, as well as art. The application must include:
  - a) BWI application form properly completed.
  - b) Recommendation from a faculty advisor, professor or school administrator.
  - c) Most recent grade transcript.
  - d) Examples of boating media work.
  - e) A one-page statement by the nominee that details career goals.
  - f) Optional letters of recommendation from boating media or employers familiar with applicant's work.
  - g) All materials must be submitted in the English language.

TIP: Make sure your submission is simple, easily photocopied, or viewable on a standard computer.

**SUBMISSION PROCESS:**

Email your materials to [robertberinger@yahoo.com](mailto:robertberinger@yahoo.com) If files are too large to email, you can use Dropbox or other file sharing programs.

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*Disclaimer: Scholarship distribution amounts are contingent on fundraising performance by BWI members in a given year. BWI makes no guarantee of year-to-year award of the scholarship.*