Types of VRA Travel Awards - 2024

There are several options available for financial assistance to support conference Attendance. For 2024 we have been allocated \$7,600 by the VRA Executive Board.

Full Awards

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Award. Up to \$1,000.

Earmarked for applicants from underrepresented and underserved communities, which may include but is not limited to: neurodiversity, persons with (in)visible disabilities, gender identity, LGBTQIA+, BIPOC, socioeconomic status, religion, sex, age.

Two New Horizons awards. \$850 to \$700 each

Earmarked for applicants in one or more of the following categories: first-time conferee, solo, part-time, or geographically isolated practitioner (FYI: these categories can be fudged a bit for extenuating reasons if we all agree on an exceptionally deserving applicant who may not fit conveniently into one of these pigeonholes).

Kathe Hicks Albrecht award. \$850

This award is earmarked for a first-time conference attendee.

Partial Awards

Tansey awards. \$1000-\$400 each.

These awards are intended for applicants with insufficient (or no) institutional support from their employer or academic program. Amounts will be awarded according to demonstrated need.

Tansey Top-Up awards. \$300-\$250 each.

These awards are intended for applicants who have demonstrated need for only partial support on top of other funding (typically from employers or graduate programs). Amounts will be awarded according to demonstrated need.

New Horizons Student award. \$300

Earmarked for a currently enrolled student.

Garneta E. Taormina Memorial Student Travel award. \$300

For full-time graduate students enrolled in an accredited degree program and considering a career in visual resources and/or digital humanities.

*Students are eligible for awards beyond the designated student award.

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