

Avon Theatre

Deborah & Chuck Royce Cinema Arts Center

*A Member Supported Non-Profit
Independent Cinema*

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Avon Scholarship Awards Essay Contest \$8,500 in College Scholarship Prizes

\$2,000 First Place ♦ \$1,500 Second Place ♦ \$1,000 Third Place
♦ \$500 Honorable Mentions (8)

"Film Matters"



ELIGIBILITY Awarded to High School Seniors graduating in Spring 2024 from a public or private school in Fairfield County, CT or Westchester County, NY. You do not need to be a film studies major to enter the contest. The Avon Scholarship Award check will be made out to the college or university you will be attending full-time in Fall 2024.

ESSAY DETAILS In 500 - 750 words, discuss a film released in 2023 or 2024 that you believe has impacted you personally. It may be a feature or an animated film, documentary, American or foreign film. The content of your response is more important than the length. Please answer the following:

- Did the film change your mind about something?
- Did the film inspire you?
- Did the film make you feel seen or accepted?

JUDGING The essays will each be read by at least two judges from a panel of professional journalists, published authors, and filmmakers. The top finalists will be read by an additional pair of judges who will select the winners.

SPONSOR The Avon Scholarship Essay Contest is sponsored by the Avon Film Education Initiative, which promotes film literacy. The Avon supports teacher and student attendance at the theatre and by granting scholarships to high school seniors. Through its diverse offerings of independent, foreign, documentary and historical films, the Avon is committed to instilling a life-long appreciation of the art and significance of film.

Thurs., May 23, 2024 - SUBMISSION DEADLINE

APPLICATION Download at: <https://avontheatre.org/education/>
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QUESTIONS? Call 203-550-2697 - Louisa Greene, Avon Dir. of Development

**Scholarship Awards Reception &
Ceremony at the Avon on June 6!**