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March 14st, 2025 Whitworth University Art Department 300 West Hawthrone Road, Spokane,WA 99251

Dear Professor Katie Creyts and Art Faculty

I am expressing my strong interest in being considered for an art scholarship for the 2025-2026 academic year at Whitworth University. As a senior student, I am eager to continue developing my education and deepening my passion for art.

It has been two years since I was discharged from the military, and during that time, I've had many opportunities to explore art through figure drawing, graphic design, typography, web design, painting, and illustration classes. While most of my work was based on assignments, I could still express my emotions and create projects connected to my series on "Loneliness" and "Identity," which reflect my journey. Taking computer science classes and being part of the chapel team has also given me new inspiration for future artwork. Being at Whitworth has helped me grow, and I feel like I am getting closer to discovering my artistic style. My goal is to merge computer science and fine art to help others—especially those who need access to computer science and art education.

My passion for art started in 9th grade when I realized how powerful it was for expressing emotions and building confidence. Art became my way of creativity and self-expression, bringing comfort to both myself and others. With the experiences and ideas I have gathered, I hope to create artwork that resonates with people and makes an impact. I am excited to continue contributing to Whitworth's art community and grow as an artist. Right now, I am dealing with sciatica, an injury I got in the military, which makes it difficult for me to sit or stand for long periods. Despite the challenges, I have stayed committed to pursuing art because it brings me happiness and gives me purpose. In my application, you will find samples of my artwork inspired by emotions and thoughts I've had while reading Bible verses. While I continue exploring different materials, I look forward to learning more from the art professors at Whitworth.

Receiving this scholarship would not only help me financially but also allow me to focus on both my recovery and my artistic growth. Please feel free to reach out if you need any further information or clarification.

Best regards, Byeongchan Jeong