



# 2019 Application Due July 20, 2019

The **Natural Stone Scholarship** was established by the Institute to provide educational opportunities for aspiring fabricators, installers, or administrative apprentices interested in furthering their careers within the natural stone industry.

The scholarship will cover travel and registration costs for one or more recipients to **TISE 2020**, the natural stone industry's premier exhibition and education event, held at the **Mandalay Bay Convention Center in Las Vegas, Nevada**. The Natural Stone Scholarship winner(s) will also attend the **Awards Ceremony**.

Attendance at **TISE 2020** and the **Awards Ceremony** offers the scholarship winner the opportunity to gain valuable technical and practical knowledge, meet and network with leading stone professionals, deepen his or her commitment to a career in the stone industry, and explore his or her potential for future leadership.

Funds are made possible through the generous donations from Natural Stone Institute members worldwide: total donations will determine the number of scholarship recipients each year. Applications will be reviewed by a committee of industry veterans.

## Scholarship Selection Criteria:

- Applicants must have fewer than five years of experience in the natural stone industry and work for a Natural Stone Institute member company for at least six months prior to entering and be employed by a member company at the time the award is presented at **TISE 2020**.
- Applicants must submit an application form and essay detailing their commitment to the natural stone industry, along with a letter of recommendation from their employer.
- Applications must be received by **July 20, 2019**.

*"I highly recommend applying for this scholarship to anyone who is new to the industry and has the curiosity to learn. While it can seem a little intimidating, it is worth it. By working and learning together, we can make our part of the picture that much better. Employers with new talent need to encourage their employees to apply."*

**Janice Westerhof, 2018 Recipient;**  
*KG Stevens*



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### Please attach the following on separate sheets:

- A 250- to 500-word typed essay explaining your commitment to the natural stone industry and why you desire a career in natural stone. Include information about your current position, your knowledge level, and your future goals for your career in the industry.
- A letter of recommendation from a member of your company's management staff describing your commitment and potential for future leadership within the natural stone industry.

**Email form to Jane Bennett at [jane@naturalstoneinstitute.org](mailto:jane@naturalstoneinstitute.org) or fax to 518-803-4338.**



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