

# **WILLIAM F. WHITE INTERNATIONAL AND THE COMWEB FOUNDATION PRESENT POWELL RIVER PATHWAYS PROGRAM**



## **ABOUT THE PATHWAYS PROGRAM**

This program is intended to help foster a career pathway into the motion picture industry for young people whose personal situations may prohibit them from doing so. It is directed toward youth who have experienced personal or systemic obstacles, and who would most benefit from the immersive education and residential experience available in Powell River. The program is open to all residents of BC who are in full time, secondary education, yet to graduate high school and are eligible to attend the Powell River Digital Film School (PRDFS) from February to June.

The program is a collaboration between the PRDFS, the Comweb Foundation and William F. White International (WFW). It is part scholarship from the Comweb Foundation in the form of paid residential billeting to attend the PRDFS, and part work placement with WFW upon the completion of the film school program.

The work placement is intended to take place immediately or shortly following completion of study at the PRDFS and is subject to the selected candidate's satisfactory completion of this program.

## **COMWEB FOUNDATION**

The Comweb Foundation supports the professional development and creative expression of under-developed Canadian filmmakers countrywide. The foundation funds various not-for-profit organizations and support programs. Comweb commits to sponsoring billeting (\$5k) for two promising candidates at PRDFS for the Term.

## **ABOUT POWELL RIVER DIGITAL FILM SCHOOL**

The film school is a dual credit program earning 20+ high school credits and simultaneously earning university credits to two prominent Universities, Emily Carr University and the Toronto Film School. We also have preferential entry into Capilano University and Langara College. It is open to all non-graduating BC students who are interested in the fascinating world of professional film making. The school allows students hands-on experience with state-of-the-art equipment in a professional environment. The course is intended to introduce the skills and concepts of professional filmmaking and the industry of Motion Picture Production.

Both a set etiquette and set safety course will be included in the program. This allows the students to be present on live film sets as well as, in many cases, enable the student to garner paid work in the industry of the film business.

Throughout the course, students will learn aspects of script writing, camera operation, sound recording and design, directing, producing, post-production (editing) animation and lighting as well as marketing and the basic language of filmmaking.

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Students will meet many people with similar interests throughout the various workshops and travels we do, and will learn much about themselves, each other, and life itself. Students are encouraged to broaden their imaginations and foster their full creative potential while learning about teamwork, leadership, empathy, respect, honour, and imagination, as well as how to market their work and launch their career in the film industry if they so desire.

Many students from past years have transferred to our affiliate schools, and many are working in the film industry today.

## **OUT OF TOWN STUDENTS**

Students from out of town are billeted (room and board) in Powell River by local bonded families during the five month program. Billeting costs are \$900 per month and include a private room and all meals.

Comweb Corporation has agreed to sponsor two students for the program in Powell River.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

The course is a 20-credit course and there are four (4) credits allotted for work experience. Students are encouraged to take advantage of any given opportunities to volunteer on local productions as this can be added to their resume and lead to paid work. Some students may even be offered paid work on professional production sets. At the school, we do keep an eye out to help students advance into a film career if they so desire.

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## WILLIAM F. WHITE INTERNATIONAL WORK PLACEMENT

William F. White International Inc (WFW) is a cornerstone of the film industry. It sets the bar for industry education and firmly believes that everyone deserves a chance to prove themselves in this competitive and demanding environment.

In providing work placements, WFW ensures that opportunities are given to youth that would normally not have the means to benefit from fee paying education or internships, or have faced barriers to access.

WFW will provide work placement opportunities to candidates successfully graduating from the PRDFS through the Pathways Program.

This is a paid internship during the summer months. The successful candidate will be awarded a position on the warehouse floor at our Burnaby operation. A curriculum has been developed to ensure the candidates receives a well-rounded, safe and enjoyable experience.

### Please note the following

- Candidates must supply their own CSA approved safety boots partial reimbursement.
- This is an entry-level position and will involve manual labour. The successful candidates should be physically able to handle the rigors of a floor position within the warehouse.
- The successful candidates would ideally be 18 years of age or older at time of starting the work placement, to meet insurance requirements.
- The placement will be at WFW's operations in Burnaby, BC. It will consist of paid, temporary employment with hours between 8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. Candidates must be able to commit to regular attendance, perform physical and manual labour and abide by all subsequent terms and conditions of employment and health and safety regulations.
- The work placement will be for a period not exceeding three months and will be under the terms of WFW's standard probationary employment. Should the candidate have chosen not to pursue post-secondary education and is available for, and interested in, continued employment, a successful placement may result in the offer of continued full-time work. This is at the sole discretion of the WFW team and subject to a full-time vacancy being available.
- The successful applicant would be onboarded and trained to work in one of the departments within WFW's operations. Availability and workload permitting, they will have opportunities to shadow and assist in other departments under the guidance of the Department Supervisors and Management team.
- The successful applicants should aim to make the most of this opportunity, upholding educational and practical performance standards during both their time at PRDFS and WFW.
- Work placement start dates will be determined with the individual candidates, subject to their availability.

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## PROGRAM APPLICATION

**Office:** 604-253-5050

**Email:** [pathways@whites.com](mailto:pathways@whites.com)

**Website:** [www.whites.com](http://www.whites.com)

**Application Deadline: June 5, 2022**

This program is intended for eligible students in BC secondary education who will be 18+ by June 2023.

The student must be a citizen and/or permanent resident of Canada, and reside in BC.

The successful candidates will be the best all-around applicants. Academic achievement, extra-curricular activities and interests, community involvement, work experience, awards etc. will all be taken into account.

A Program Committee will judge the applications. The potential recipient will be recommended to the Executive Officers of WFW, who will award the money.

The decision of the Program Committee and Executive Officers is final.

Students may reapply every year they are eligible, with the opportunity of being awarded a scholarship only one time.

Applicants wishing to apply for the work placement WFW, Lighting, Grip, and Power may be required to attend a virtual interview with the operations management representative(s) on behalf of the Program Committee.

To be eligible for the additional work placement at WFW, Lighting, Grip, and Power Burnaby location – applicants must be aged 18+ at the time the work placement commences.

Applicants are required to be available for work between 8am and 5pm, Monday to Friday.

Work placements will be fully paid at standard new-hire probationary rates.

Applicants will be required to comply with all existing Health & Safety and Employment terms and conditions.

WFW reserves the right to withdraw any offered work placement opportunities, at any time.

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## APPLICATION GUIDELINES

William F. White International Inc. (WFW) reserves the right to choose who the recipient is, and all decisions are final. WFW also reserves the right to change or cancel this scholarship fund as required.

**Do not send original documents via post. Applications will not be returned. Photographs or scans of documents are sufficient.** Transcripts or letters of acceptance that are not available when the application is first submitted may be forwarded to [pathways@whites.com](mailto:pathways@whites.com), and may be considered by the scholarship committee if received before the committee makes its decision.

## REQUIREMENTS

The following must be included with the application:

1. Completed application including any supporting documentation.
2. Copies of transcripts of latest marks (please provide last year of secondary school).
3. Letter of Intent (maximum 500 words) that explains why you feel that you are the best candidate to receive this scholarship.
4. Letter of support from a current teacher, tutor, or mentor.
5. Completed biography (form attached)
6. Link(s) to example(s) of film or creative work.
7. Signed consent (form attached).

All applications and supporting documents should be marked 'P.R. PATHWAYS APPLICATION' and emailed to [pathways@whites.com](mailto:pathways@whites.com).

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**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
Province

\_\_\_\_\_  
Postal Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth

I hereby certify that the information furnished in this application is true and complete. I understand that if information is found to be incorrect, this application may be rejected and/or an award may be revoked. Decisions of the WFW Scholarship Committee and WFW Executive Board are final and I release and discharge the members of such Committee and Executive Board from any liability or obligation owed to me in respect of this application and its consideration.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**BIOGRAPHY**

**A. SECONDARY EDUCATION**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of High School    City    Province    Graduation Date    Grade Completed

**B. PROPOSED POST-SECONDARY STUDIES (IF APPLICABLE)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Institution    Location    Proposed Entry Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Program    Major

**C. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS**     Attach latest transcripts and list any awards including supporting documentation:

**D. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**     List sports, hobbies, interests, special skills, etc.

**E. AWARDS AND HONOURS**     List any awards or honours received in any field:

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**F. COMMUNITY SERVICE / VOLUNTEER WORK**

**NOTE:** Please indicate if your volunteer work was part of the 40 hours mandatory community service required to achieve your Secondary School diploma or if it was over and above this mandatory requirement.

1. Company / Organization Name:

\_\_\_\_\_

Job Description / Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Duration of Work (i.e. number of hours per week / month / year): \_\_\_\_\_

Were you paid? \_\_\_\_\_ Reference (name & number): \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Company / Organization Name:

\_\_\_\_\_

Job Description / Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Duration of Work (i.e. number of hours per week / month / year): \_\_\_\_\_

Were you paid? \_\_\_\_\_ Reference (name & number): \_\_\_\_\_

**LIST ANY OTHER INFORMATION OR EXPLANATION THAT YOU FEEL MAY ASSIST THE COMMITTEE IN JUDGING YOUR APPLICATION FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP:**



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**PROGRAM APPLICATION CONSENT**

Privacy of the personal information you have supplied on your Scholarship Application is an important part of the evaluation required to ensure the integrity of the Scholarship Program and the standards of William F. White International Inc.. We are committed to collecting, using and disclosing your personal information responsibly.

Both the Scholarship Committee and the Administrator of the Scholarship Fund who come in contact with your personal information are aware of the sensitive nature of the information you have disclosed to us. They have all been apprised in the appropriate uses and protection of your information.

The Administrator and/or Scholarship Committee members will collect, use and disclose the information you have provided on your application for the following purposes:

1. To determine your eligibility for a scholarship award based on the information and references you have provided
2. Storage, retention and destruction of your personal information complies with existing legislation and privacy protection protocols

By signing your consent, you have agreed that you have given your consent to the collection, use and/or disclosure of your personal information and your supplied references for the purpose of adjudicating your application for a Scholarship Award.

**CONSENT**

I have reviewed the above information that explains how William F. White International Inc. will use my personal information, and the steps that William F. White International Inc. is taking to protect my information.

I agree that the Scholarship Fund Administrator and/or Scholarship Fund Committee can collect, use and disclose personal information about myself, (Please print your name), as set out above in the information about the Scholarship Fund Privacy Policy.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent / Guardian