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# Scholarship 2015

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2014 was the inaugural year for the Culture Magazin<sup>®</sup> Annual Scholarship, sponsored by Dentist Bao Vo and organized by our team. We are very pleased to see the tremendous impact it has had upon the youth thus far. The goal is to help hardworking university students succeed since they are the future of our community. Below is a quick interview with Dentist Bao Vo of TMJ Sleep Dental and Mrs. Ann Nguyen of Culture Magazin<sup>®</sup> about this special scholarship program.



**Dr. Bao Vo, can you share some memorable moments from last year's program?**

**Dr. Bao Vo:** I am very humbled by all the support that my community has given me for the last 15 years by becoming my patients, friends and by referring other clients. That is one of the reasons why I wanted to start something memorable, such as a scholarship, to give back to my community. Last year's summer event was very memorable when I was given the opportunity to speak in front of about 20 scholarship candidates. I saw myself in their shoes two decades ago. Seeing these university students looked back at me made me realize that sometimes, a little financial and moral support is all that it takes to fortify the courage these kids need. And of course, the emails and letters that I have received afterward were also very memorable.



**Mrs. Ann Nguyen, why did you decide to start this scholarship?**

**Mrs. Ann Nguyen:** Our Vietnamese culture places a high value on education. That's the reason why our parents always encourage their children to study and excel in their education to advance further in life. Back when I first started my undergraduate years at McMaster University, enrolling in the Computer Science program, I could not afford a computer. Fortunately, I was the recipient of a few scholarships from kind-hearted donors similar to Dr. Bao Vo. This support gave me the opportunity to learn, grow and succeed. Then I went on to further my education and joined University of Toronto's graduate program, and again, I was fortunate to be the recipient of the Women in Mathematics Scholarship. Therefore, I have always believed in giving back to the community. Last year, with the generous financial support from Dr. Bao Vo, Culture Magazin<sup>®</sup> Scholarship was founded in hopes of lessening some of the students' financial burdens while pursuing their academic goals. We strongly believe that in a near future, these students will have the opportunity to give back to the community in their own unique ways.

## Last year, we had 5 amazing students winning the 2014 Culture Magazin<sup>®</sup> Scholarship.

If qualified, 2 of these winners will be chosen to be awarded another scholarship in their 2nd year of full time studies. Are you curious to find out who will win? Follow us and you will see! For all 1st year students, we will also be awarding 5 winners in August 2015. For more information, please read Culture Magazin<sup>®</sup> 2015 Scholarship program poster. Looking for tips on how to successfully finish your university studies and earn high grades? Follow us on our monthly Education Column!



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**7 Scholarships**  
worth **\$15,000**

**Are you a Canadian Citizen or a Permanent Resident with a Vietnamese background currently studying full time as a 1<sup>st</sup> year student at any Ontario university?**

*Then you are qualified to apply for this special scholarship.*

### DETAILS & CRITERIA:

**Applicants must be**

- 1 A Canadian citizen or permanent resident living in Ontario
- 2 Currently in his or her 1<sup>st</sup> year of full time studies at an Ontario university

**5 chosen winners will be announced and given a scholarship of \$2,000 each. Top 2 from the 5 past winners will continue to receive a scholarship of \$2,500 each for their consecutive year.**

### SELECTION IS BASED ON:

- 1 First year grades
- 2 Awards & achievements
- 3 Recommendations from professors
- 4 An essay
- 5 Community service & extra-curricular activities



To request an application form, please email us at [scholarship@culturemagazin.com](mailto:scholarship@culturemagazin.com)

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