

# THE NEXT WAVE INITIATIVE

## The Black Excellence Impact Scholarship Application

This \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a Black collegiate artist who has used their art to impact their community.

Name/Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

Hometown: \_\_\_\_\_ Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High-School & Graduation Year :

\_\_\_\_\_

College & Expected Graduation Year:

\_\_\_\_\_

Please attach the following materials:

- An electronic copy of your college acceptance letter and/or proof of your college semester class schedule.
- A one-page mission statement explaining why you are a Next Wave Initiative Scholar. What are your short and long term goals as an artist? What do you want from the business and how will your artistry create change? What is your style and voice? What does art mean to you?
- Your writing resume thus far, plus either a 20 page writing sample of work or 1-2 minute clip of your performing work.

In one email, send all of the requested materials above, with your name + "Black Excellence Impact Application" in the subject line to [nextwave@directorscompany.org](mailto:nextwave@directorscompany.org). Applications will open Monday April 1st, 2024 and must be submitted by Friday May 17th, 2024 at 11:59pm EST. All Next Wave Initiative Finalists will be announced in Summer 2024. The second round of the selection process will include a Zoom interview with NWI founder Douglas Lyons.