



Collage by Ola Lorens

The Ola Lorens Memorial Travel Scholarship is offered in memory of Design major Ola (Alexandra) Lorens (1991-2014) through the generous gifts of Patrick and Ewa Lorens Kinney, Molly Kinney and family, and Ann & Mike Savageau. Ola once said that she “came alive” when she took her first design class at UC Davis. She brought a playful and distinct vision to her work in all areas of design. Her inventive style of drawing embodied a curious and humor-filled approach to creation that Ola hoped might someday be fulfilled with work as a maker of children’s books. Spurred by a deep desire to experience foreign cultures and new environments she dreamed of overseas travel as a way to forge direct connections with others in an unmediated way. After graduation, Ola embarked on a European journey that led to her successfully landing a design internship in Amsterdam. Although her life ended tragically early in an automobile accident, she left an indelible impression on those of us who knew her and worked with her in the Department of Design at UC Davis. This travel award celebrates Ola and her fearless example as a person and a designer.

PURPOSE

The Ola Lorens Memorial Travel Scholarship supports Design undergraduate students with **grants up to \$1500** to assist educational interests such as (but not limited to):

- Attending workshops
- Visiting an archive or museum
- Attending a conference or workshop
- Travel for research
- Travel to participate in an internship
- Travel and/or support related to a specific Design event

REQUIREMENTS

Must be a Design major in good academic standing.
 Travel is limited to educational activities; **study abroad coursework is not funded but self-directed elements**; priority will go to travel/projects that clearly advance educational/career goals relevant to Design as experiential education.
 The student recipient is required to make a public presentation to the department and the Community on the outcomes or benefits realized through the scholarship.
 The Ola Lorens family would like to encourage student recipients of this award to “pay it forward” by giving back to the Department of Design at some future date, post graduation.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- 1 Description of the proposed travel, its significance and relevance to future goals, not to exceed 750 words.
- 2 Name of a faculty mentor who will oversee the travel/project.
- 3 Current curriculum vitae.
- 4 Detailed budget for all of the travel and related costs as well as any other funding that will be used to support the travel/project.

HOW TO APPLY

Email the **four application materials** as **ONE .pdf file** labeled as <yourname_olts.pdf> to **design_travel@ucdavis.edu**

DEADLINE WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024 @ 11:59 PM

