

OYO Music Scholarship Guidelines

2009-2010

I. Purpose

OYO scholarships are to be given to deserving, musically talented students in the Oakland Youth Symphony, Philharmonia, String and Studio String Orchestras who demonstrate a serious interest in music and the intention to use the scholarship in a way that will enhance their musical education.

II. Eligibility

To be eligible for a scholarship, students must be current members of the Oakland Youth Symphony, Philharmonia, String or Studio String Orchestra. Recipients must have participated in OYO throughout the entire year and have participated in all concerts. Recipients of an OYO scholarship in the immediately prior year are not eligible to apply in the current year. In addition, current year Concerto and Solo Competition prizewinners who have applied for an OYO music scholarship will be withdrawn from further consideration for an OYO scholarship for the current year.

III. Procedure

A. The Program

For the 2009-2010 season, up to 12 scholarships of \$125 each will be awarded to students selected by the OYO Scholarship Committee. (Students may be in the Symphony, Philharmonia, String or Studio String Orchestra.)

B. Application Process

Applications will be available on-line beginning 3/11/10. Applications must be completed by the student and signed by a both student & parent. Completed application forms must be **mailed** to the OYO Scholarship Committee, c/o Karen Samosiuk, 5956 Blandford Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI, 48302. **Applications must be postmarked or received on or before April 1, 2010.**

C. Selection of Recipients

The OYO Scholarship Committee shall select the award winners each year. Applicants shall be evaluated on the basis of a number of criteria including, but not limited to, the following: musical talent, contributions to OYO, seriousness of interest in music, personal character, and involvement in musical activities in addition to OYO. The scholarship recipients will be announced at the final concert.

D. Selection Committee

The OYO Scholarship Selection Committee shall consist of the OYO parents, the conductors, and the chair of the Scholarship Committee. Parents who are on the Selection Committee and whose child or children are applying for a scholarship from OYO must excuse themselves from the committee. The committee will replace them during the selection process.

E. Payment of scholarships

A check for the scholarship amount will be paid directly to the student.

IV. General

A. The award recipients will be notified by letter signed by the OYO Scholarship Committee as soon as the selections are made.

B. This program is administered without regard to race, creed, color, religion, sex, nationality, or handicap.

C. General correspondence regarding the program should be addressed to the OYO Scholarship Committee, c/o Karen Samosiuk, 5956 Blandford Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 or samosiuk@comcast.net.

**Oakland Youth Orchestra
Music Scholarship Application**

Application Must be Completed by the Student

Please type or print legibly.

Please mail the completed application to the OYO Scholarship Committee, c/o Karen Samosiuk, 5956 Blandford Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302. **The application must be postmarked or received by April 1, 2010.**

Last name _____ First _____ M.I. _____

Street _____ Apt. # _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone () _____ Birthdate ____/____/____

Names of parent(s) or guardian(s) _____

School name _____ Current grade in school _____

In which orchestra do you play? _____ Studio String _____ String
_____ Philharmonia _____ Symphony

What instrument do you play in OYO? _____

For how many years have you played this instrument? _____

Do you currently take lessons on this instrument? _____ Yes _____ No

(If yes), for how long have you taken lessons? _____ years

Current teacher's Name _____

What other musical instruments do you play? _____

(If any others), how long have you played each? _____

Have you taken lessons on this (these) instrument(s)? _____ Yes _____ No

(If yes), give details _____

How would you use the scholarship money?

Please answer the following 5 questions:

(If additional space is needed, feel free to write on the back or attach an additional sheet of paper.)

1) Why did you join OYO?

2) What musical activities besides OYO are you involved in during the school year and during the summer?

3) What honors have you received for your participation in musical organizations or activities such as Solo and Ensemble Festival?

4) Why would you recommend OYO?

5) How do you contribute to making OYO a better orchestra musically?

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted. This application becomes the property of the Oakland Youth Orchestra and will be held in confidence. The decision of the OYO Scholarship Committee is final.

Parent's signature _____ **Date** _____

Applicant's signature _____ **Date** _____

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