



Hot Springs / Hot Springs Village

Symphony Guild INC.

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Scholarship Awards Eligibility Requirements

Students who will or have graduated from the following public school systems are eligible to apply for a Hot Springs/Hot Springs Village Symphony Guild Scholarship: Cutter Morning Star, Fountain Lake, Jessierville, Mountain Pine, Lakeside, Hot Springs, Arkansas School for Math/Science/The Arts, Lake Hamilton, or a local private school or home schooler in the areas of the aforementioned school districts.

The Symphony Guild committee will award scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000 to those participants who can demonstrate superior musical talent through a live audition, and meet all criteria listed below. Applicants must be planning to pursue a degree in Music or Music Education at an accredited institution of higher learning. Applicants must be enrolled in a college preparatory program that requires four years of English, two years of mathematics, two years of science (including at least one year of laboratory science) and two units of social studies.

Scholarship Eligibility: In addition to the above listed requirements, applicants must rank in the upper 50% of their graduating high school class, or have an ACT score of 23 or higher.

Auditions will be held:

Date: Saturday, May 11, 2024 beginning at 1:00 PM

Place: Presbyterian Kirk in the Pines Church, 275 Asturias Drive, Hot Springs Village, AR

The performance is to include a three to five minute solo selected from Baroque, Classical, Romantic, Twentieth Century or Contemporary Music Literature. We suggest referring to the approved lists of the Arkansas All-State Band, Orchestra, or Choral Auditions listing. Pianists should perform a composition best suited to display their competence. We allow a second selection if the candidate has an interest in another musical genre, i.e. jazz or Broadway Musical.

The Committee will consider the applicant's demonstrated musical talent; academic achievement; extra-curricular activity in music, school and community; personal poise; and presentation. We strongly advise that applicants select and begin work on their presentation well in advance of the audition.

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Required Forms and Information:

1. Completed application form (pages 1 & 2)
Type or print your responses legibly on the application form
2. High school transcript through 1st semester of your senior year
3. A copy of music selection(s) you will perform
4. A three to five page typed autobiographical sketch/essay stressing career goals, emphasizing how music is influencing these goals
5. ACT or College Board Test Scores
6. Two letters of endorsement - one from a music teacher and the other from either the high school principal or guidance counselor
7. Name & phone number of piano accompanist (if you plan to use your own)
We can provide one if necessary

Graduates reapplying for continuing scholarship:

Scholarships are awarded for one year, renewable at lesser amounts (with reapplication) for up to four years for music majors. Recipients are required to provide, by July 1st, a current transcript of their preceding academic record to the HS / HSV Symphony Guild Scholarship Committee showing a cumulative 3.0 G.P.A., and documents from their College or University Registrar showing that he/she is enrolled as a music major for the next academic year.

Applicants for both awards must send supporting documents by USPS Mail to:

**Dr. Mary Ritch
14 Suspiro Lane
Hot Springs Village, AR 71909**