



Wayne C. Henderson

Music Scholarships 2012

TO: MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, ARTS AND YOUTH SERVICE AGENCIES AND TRADITIONAL MUSIC STUDENTS AGE 21 AND UNDER.

RE: A: Individual Music Scholarships - traditional acoustic instruments only (guitar, fiddle, banjo, mandolin, lap dulcimer or acoustic bass)
B: Grants to Non Profit Traditional Music Programs

A. INDIVIDUAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Every year, since the festival began in 1995, a percentage of the profits have been set aside for scholarships to "assist young, local students of **Traditional Appalachian Music**, with their music education and exploration." Individual applicants will be selected to receive scholarships, in amounts up to a maximum \$500, that may be applied to the **traditional music** education of the winner's choice. Previous winners have attended the Augusta Heritage Arts Festival, the Blue Ridge Old Time Music Week at Mars Hill, NC and Steve Kaufman's Guitar and Mandolin Camp. Others have elected to receive private lessons on traditional acoustic instruments. The WCH Festival Committee will pay the fees for camp tuition or private lessons (up to the amount of each individual scholarship award) directly to the camp or teacher. All 2012 individual scholarship winnings must be used by May 30th, 2013 or be forfeited to the Scholarship Committee for reallocation to the scholarship fund.

Only students/musicians of Traditional Acoustic Music Instruments age 21 & under need apply. All applicants must be residents of the Central Appalachian Region.

Application packets must be postmarked by MARCH 15, 2012 and must include ALL the following:

NO INCOMPLETE PACKETS WILL BE CONSIDERED

- a. A **completed application** form
- b. **(2) Letters** of reference from an adult (**NOT FROM A PARENT**)
- b. A standard size audio cassette, CD or a VHS videocassette demonstrating the applicant's musicianship.
NO DATA CDs OR DVDs WILL BE ACCEPTED.
- c. **150 - word essay** explaining why the applicant would like to win the scholarship and how they plan to use it.

B: GRANTS TO NON PROFIT TRADITIONAL MUSIC PROGRAMS

As part of its scholarship program, the Wayne C. Henderson Festival, Inc. offers **Traditional Music Programs** the opportunity to compete for grants of \$500-\$1000 to fund instructors, student fees or general operating expenses. **Organizations must have non-profit status and must be serving youth in the Central Appalachian region.**

Interested organizations must submit the following information. **Packets must be postmarked by MARCH 15, 2012 and must include ALL the following: INCOMPLETE PACKETS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

- a. History and objectives of program
- b. Structure of program, target population and number of children served
- c. Key artists and organizations involved
- d. Annual operating expense and **projected use of grant money**
- e. Proof of non-profit status.

PLEASE MAIL APPLICATION PACKETS AND NARRATIVES TO:

WCH SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS
PO BOX 531
GALAX, VA 24333

2012 WINNERS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY APRIL 15, 2012

The 18TH annual Wayne C. Henderson Music Festival and Guitar Competition will be held Saturday, June 16, 2012 (Always the third Saturday in June) at Grayson Highlands State Park, Mouth of Wilson, VA.

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