

REWARDING EXCELLENCE

Introduction

Skunkworks Community believes in supporting young musicians who demonstrate outstanding commitment, growth, and potential. This scholarship aims to reward excellence in music and encourage young people to continue developing their skills and sharing their passion within the community.

Purpose

The purpose of this scholarship is to recognise and support individuals who show exceptional dedication, talent, and promise, helping them access further musical opportunities and experiences.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must:

- Be aged between 13 and 22 years as of January 1 of the application year.
- Be actively involved in a community or school band, or Skunkworks Community ensemble.
- Show dedication to their musical development and a willingness to share their talents with others.

What We Look For

We value applicants who:

- Show strong musical skills or a clear commitment to improving.
- Actively participate in music activities and contribute positively to their band or community.
- Exhibit personal qualities such as leadership, kindness, teamwork, and enthusiasm for learning.
- May benefit greatly from financial or developmental support to reach the next stage of their musical journey.

What the Scholarship Can Support

- Program or event fees (e.g., camps, tours, workshops).
- Instrument purchase or hire.
- Music-related travel costs.
- Other music development expenses approved by Skunkworks Community.

Application Process

1. Complete the Scholarship Application Form. (link below)
<https://forms.gle/qX7YJnuBg4ugv1Bp9>
2. Provide a personal statement (see below).
3. Include a letter of support from a music teacher, conductor, or mentor.

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4. Submit your application by the specified deadline.

Applications are reviewed by the Scholarship Committee using a supportive, fair assessment process. Applicants will be notified of outcomes within one month of the closing date.

Privacy

All personal information submitted as part of your scholarship application will be kept strictly confidential and handled in accordance with the Skunkworks Community Privacy Policy

Checklist for Applicants

Details to provide	Completed
Name, Age, Town/Suburb	
Parent/guardian details (if under 18)	
Instrument and years of playing	
AMEB or equivalent achievements	
Name of music teacher	
Any awards or achievements you'd like to share:	
About You (Why is music important?)	
Letter of support (music teacher, conductor or mentor)	
Supporting documents (optional)	

Conditions

- Recipients are expected to continue their active involvement in music and act as positive representatives of Skunkworks Community.
- Progress and engagement may be reviewed throughout the scholarship period.
- Recipients are encouraged to share their experiences and inspire others.

Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it continues to support young musicians effectively.

For questions about this policy, please send an email to contacttheskunk@gmail.com.

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