

The Port Huron Musicale

Robert Fraser Legacy • Emily and Ella Stewart Fund • Harriett Burchill Charles and Margaret Anderson Fund of the Community Foundation of St. Clair County

- Scholarships for Music Lessons -

For students currently in Grades 4 - Middle College

Through the generous bequests of Emily and Ella Stewart, Robert Fraser, Harriett Burchill, and Charles and Margaret Anderson to The Port Huron Musicale and the Community Foundation of St. Clair County, a series of scholarships for private lessons has been established. The scholarships honor their commitment to area young people.

Application Deadline:

May 28, 2021

Audition Dates: June 18 & 19, 2021

ELIGIBILITY:

- Students who will be in Grades 5 through Middle College in the Fall 2021 semester.
- Students who live in the Port Huron or Marysville school districts. Students may attend public, charter or private schools, or be home-schooled.
- Students outside of these school districts may apply if their private teacher is a member of The Port Huron Musicale.
- Beginning students may apply and are encouraged by the Scholarship Committee. A beginning student is one who has had less than one year or no instruction on their instrument. He/she will show an interest in music and must have access to an instrument. (*If you are a beginning student and have more questions about the audition process, please contact Michelle Carlson, rickmichcarlson@gmail.com, 810-434-3276.)

SCHOLARSHIPS:

- Scholarships are for private lessons on all band & orchestra instruments, piano, acoustic guitar, and voice with a qualified teacher approved by The Port Huron Musicale. *(Students applying for scholarships with other instruments <u>may</u> be accepted at the discretion of the scholarship committee.)*
- The total scholarship is for \$300, paid directly to the private teacher in two installments in September and January. Students will be expected to complete 30 lessons* during the school year. (*or the equivalent to 15 hours of instructional time in the 2021-2022 school year) Any balance over the scholarship amount for yearly lesson fees is the responsibility of the student.
- Lessons must begin by October 1, 2021 or the scholarship will be forfeited.
- Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for two years during grades 5-8 and for two years during grades 9 through middle college. They must apply and audition each year for eligibility.
- Students may audition on more than one instrument. They should submit separate applications and pay the fees for each application. They will be allotted separate audition times for each instrument. Only one scholarship per student will be granted in one year.
- Scholarships will continue throughout the school year, subject to a satisfactory report from the teacher.
- Students will be notified of the judges' decisions before June 30, 2021. The decision of the judges is final.

APPLICATIONS:

- All information and links to applications are available online at <u>www.ThePortHuronMusicale.com</u>.
- Deadline for applications is May 28, 2021. All forms and application fees <u>must be received or postmarked</u> by the deadline date.
- Students and parents will complete the student application form (***new!** this is a Google Form). Also, a separate teacher recommendation form (***new!** this is also a Google Form) must be completed by the student's private music teacher, school music teacher, or homeroom teacher.

- There is a fee of \$5 for <u>each</u> application. Fees must be submitted by check (cash cannot be accepted), payable to *The Port Huron Musicale*, postmarked by May 28, 2021, and sent to Michelle Carlson, 444 5th Street, Marysville, MI 48040 (*please include student's name in the memo line of the payment)
- A completed application will include **all** of the following:
 - Student Application (Google Form)
 - Teacher Recommendation (Google Form)
 - \$5 application fee paid
- Paper applications are available upon request please contact Michelle Carlson, 810-434-3276

EVALUATIONS:

• Scholarship recipients will be required to participate in one of the following: NFMC Festival, MMTA Student Achievement Testing, MSVMA or MSBOA Solo and Ensemble Festival. They will be responsible for any fees and/or accompanist required. At the request of the teacher, this requirement may be waived for beginners.

AUDITIONS:

- Auditions will be held on Friday, June 18 (Noon-6:00 p.m.) and Saturday, June 19 (8:30-11:00 a.m.) at Griswold Street Baptist Church. Students will be assigned an audition time, which they will receive via email by June 11.
- Students will be asked to prepare a short selection of 1 to 4 minutes for the audition. Beginners who have not yet begun study of an instrument may use a recorder or sing for their audition. Memorization is not a requirement. It is recommended, though not required, that instrumental and vocal students have an accompanist. The student will obtain the accompanist at their own expense.
- One legal purchased copy of music should be provided for the judges. An additional copy (this may be a photocopy) is needed this year, which will be collected and destroyed after the audition. Also, if it is necessary to play from a photocopy, the judges will collect it and the copy will be destroyed after the performance according to Federal copyright law.

TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS:

- Teachers must be approved by The Port Huron Musicale. A partial list of qualified teachers is available from the Scholarship Committee.
- The teacher must have <u>one</u> of the following qualifications:
 - Bachelor of Music degree in applied music, or
 - Bachelor of Music Education, or
 - Certificate of completion from a conservatory or its equivalent, or
 - Certification with Michigan Music Teachers Association or Music Teachers National Association, or Suzuki Certification

* there may be exceptions to these qualifications in rare circumstances, which will be determined at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee

QUESTIONS? Contact Michelle Carlson, 810-434-3276, or rickmichcarlson@gmail.com

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About The Port Huron Musicale...

The Port Huron Musicale, a branch of National Federation of Music Clubs, has been active in the Port Huron area for over 100 years, presenting public music performances, supporting other area arts organizations, having a women's chorus, sponsoring the annual NFMC Music Festival for students and especially providing scholarships to students for summer music camp and private lessons.

Membership is open to anyone with an interest in supporting music and students in the local area. Parents and teachers are invited to become members for annual dues of \$25.

Although it is not a requirement for the teacher or parents to be a member of Musicale, they are strongly encouraged to become a part of the organization, thereby supporting its efforts to advance music education in the area.