Association of Wisconsin Symphony Orchestras SCHOLARSHIP

The **Association of Wisconsin Symphony Orchestras** serves as a resource for the growth and appreciation of orchestral music in the state of Wisconsin. Through this scholarship, AWSO wants to encourage and support like-minded music students and educators.

Details of this scholarship are available at www.wisconsinorchestras.org. Be sure to LIKE the Association of Wisconsin Symphony Orchestras on Facebook as well.

Who is eligible?

Any music student in grade 6 or above who plays in an orchestral setting or string program. Any active orchestral-instrumental music educator in the state of Wisconsin.

How to apply?

Write a personal statement (not more than 1 page) and complete the application that includes the following:

- Number of years of musical study (student) or number of years of teaching experience (educator)
- Describe your current musical activities (student) or current music program (educator)
- Private study experiences, master classes, workshops, camps, competitions, etc.
- Plans for scholarship award
- Musical goals/skills/new information you hope to gain
- Describe in detail the proposed use of funds as well as the need for financial support

Mail completed Application, Scholarship Recommendation Form and personal statement to:

AWSO, Executive Director, 1115 Hickory Street Onalaska, WI 54650 or E-mail to robymelissa@gmail.com.

When to apply?

AWSO will review applications each April. Applications are due on March 30.

What projects qualify for assistance?

The AWSO Scholarship will be awarded for a variety of special projects to enhance a student's learning of music or an educator's ability to teach music. **Examples of special projects:**

Instrument repair

Continuing Education

Private lessons/master class

Post-secondary tuition

Instrument rental/purchase

Music competition or audition fees

Music camp tuition/registration

Commissioned works for orchestra or guest performer/soloist

These are only ideas. If you have any special project in need of funding help, please do not hesitate to put this request in writing and ask the committee to consider your request.

How will scholarships be awarded?

All scholarships will be awarded in a check format and will be mailed directly to the recipient of the award. (i.e. music camp, private teacher, etc.). Applicants will be informed of results via letter by May 1st. AWSO will award all scholarships based on funds available in the AWSO Scholarship Fund. This may vary from year to year. The AWSO Board will determine the amount available each year.

Required Follow-up?

Each award winner is asked to provide the scholarship committee with a follow-up letter sharing how the scholarship award was used. Support materials such as videos or photos are encouraged.

Scholarship applications (application, personal statement and recommendation form) must be received by March 30 in order to be considered. Mail to: AWSO, Executive Director, 1115 Hickory Street Onalaska, WI 54650