

Whit Firor Scholarship Application

Whit Firor Music Scholarship

The Whit Firor Music Scholarship was endowed by the late Whit Firor in 1995. Whit Firor was a cardiologist and teacher with the Royal University Hospitals in Saskatoon. In addition to his medical career, Whit was a pilot, a passionate music lover, and an accomplished Jazz pianist. Through his own musical pursuits, he realized that music transcends regional and national borders. With that in mind, he initiated this scholarship to create opportunity for Saskatchewan musicians, composers, and arrangers to study abroad.

The scholarship, in the amount of \$1000 - \$5000, is for instrumentalists, composers, and arrangers from Saskatchewan who will be pursuing their musical education abroad. At present, only those candidates attending institutions qualified as “Donee” institutions by the Canadian Income Tax Act are eligible. This list is very comprehensive and includes many institutions in North America and Europe.

Typically, applicants will have demonstrated a degree of accomplishment and recognition and will have attained a point where further studies require them to travel outside the province. This scholarship intends to support the music community in Saskatchewan and therefore, community involvement on the applicant’s behalf will be considered by the scholarship committee. It is the goal of both the scholarship’s benefactor and the scholarship committee that we be as flexible as possible in our interpretation of what defines a music education and in what criteria is used in determining the successful applicant(s).

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Surname: _____ Given Name(s): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Apt: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

E-Mail Address _____

Primary Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

How many years have you lived in Saskatchewan? _____ When did you last reside in Saskatchewan? _____

What instrument(s) do you play? _____

What instrument(s) will you be studying? _____

What degree or certificate are you pursuing? _____

What city and country will you be studying in? _____

When will your studies commence? _____ How long will your course of study run? _____

Have you been accepted as a student? _____ If not, when do you expect to find out? _____

What is the expected cost of your study per term? Tuition\$ _____ Living Expense\$ _____

What is the expected total cost of the program on which this scholarship application is submitted? _____

Have you applied for this scholarship before? _____ If so, when? _____

How did you hear about this scholarship? _____

Have you been awarded a full or partial scholarship for the studies on which this application is based? _____

If so, what is the value of the scholarship? _____

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Please list your musical accomplishments and experience including past studies, notable gigs, and awards:

What are your musical goals and aspirations?

Please explain your reasoning in selecting the institution/master teacher for which this application is based.

How have you been and how do you intend to fund your music studies? (savings, employment, scholarships, students loan etc.)

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Please enclose the following information with your application:

1. A resume/CV
2. A copy of your grades transcript from any educational institution attended in the last 48 months (photocopies will be accepted.)
3. A letter of recommendation from a music instructor with whom you have recently studied.
4. A recording audio or video of your performance or performance of your compositions. Please indicate which instrument(s) you are playing and the date of the recording. These may be submitted as a physically attached recording (i.e. on a USB key) or a link (preferred) to a publicly accessible (at the time of application review) recording on the Internet.

To assist the scholarship committee, you may submit materials that you feel will support your application. These may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Letters of reference
- Performance reviews

What other activities are you currently or have previously been involved in and what was your role (optional)?

I certify that the information given on this application and on any supporting documents is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Please submit your application to:

Whit Firor Music Scholarship

c/o The Saskatoon Foundation

101, 308 - 4th Ave. N

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

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Submission Guidelines

- The application must be received at the above address before the close of business on May 1.
- So that we can minimize costs and maximize the scholarship, only those applicants that are successful or short-listed will be notified.
- Unfortunately, application materials cannot be returned to the applicant.
- Please ensure that all materials are marked with your name.