Dunedin Youth Orchestra Young Musicians’ Awards 2015

In 2015, two scholarships of $1000 each will be offered to Dunedin Youth Orchestra members. Application information follows. Winners will be announced at the concert in Knox Church on 26 September 2015.

# Purpose

To recognize outstanding achievement and commitment of Dunedin Youth Orchestra members.

# Outcome

The two selected members of the orchestra will receive financial assistance to further their musical career, for example, through the upgrading/replacement of a musical instrument or further study. Recipients also have the opportunity, at the discretion of the conductor, to play a solo piece with the orchestra. This would normally be in the year following the award.

# A selected member represents…

A young musician who has been judged by the panel to have the potential to achieve further heights in their musical performance or career and who represents what can be achieved through hard work and endeavour.

# Important information

The application form and relevant information must be received by the DYO Committee by the end of rehearsal on **Friday 21 August 2015**. Late applications will not be considered. Previous recipients are not eligible to apply again. If you require further information please contact the committee at dunedinyouthorchestra@gmail.com.

# Judging panel

A judging panel will be chosen by the Dunedin Youth Orchestra committee and will consist of Dunedin Youth Orchestra conductors and a representative from the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra. The panel will grade applicants based on the stated criteria for entry.

The local panel representatives will have knowledge of the orchestra members’ abilities and their musical experience, but will not be related to the applicant.

All applications will remain confidential. The judging panel’s decision is final.

# Criteria for entry

The applicant must:

1. be a current financial member of the Dunedin Youth Orchestra and have paid their annual subscription in full by Friday 14 August 2015.
2. be within the age range as stipulated for membership of the Dunedin Youth Orchestra.
3. have played in the Dunedin Youth Orchestra concert on 20 May 2015, and have demonstrated commitment and potential in rehearsals and performances.
4. complete all sections of the application form **and a curriculum vitae**.
5. show evidence of recent musical development and future potential.
6. show evidence of commitment to ongoing musical development and appropriate use of the award (but not necessarily for a musical career).
7. be available for related photographs and advertising if requested by the DYO committee.
8. perform in the concert on 26 September 2015 where the awards will be presented.

# How to apply

Complete the attached application form and also attach copies of any relevant information. Please send only photocopied material.

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**Application Form**

Complete the following details:

Name

Instrument Age

Address

Phone (daytime) (evening)

Attach answers to the following:

1. Background in music (reason for interest, how/when started etc)
2. Experience (performance highlights)
3. Qualifications (exams and results, other study, milestones)
4. Plans for the future
5. What you would use the award money for (study, instrument, tutoring)
6. Evidence of improvement during the 2015 year.

Please sign:

**I am eligible to enter the DYO Young Musicians’ Awards and agree to the conditions set out in the criteria for entry.**

Signature Date

 (parent or guardian if applicant under 18 years of age)

Enclose all relevant material (including a curriculum vitae) with this application form to be received by the DYO Committee no later than Friday 21 August 2015. You may hand it in at rehearsal or mail it to the following address. Best of luck!

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