

MAGIC VALLEY SYMPHONY

SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

The Magic Valley Symphony provides scholarships in order to encourage and assist young performers in their musical development. Such development should be available to all youth, regardless of financial means. Scholarships support talented student and adult musicians who desire to attend music camps, colleges, universities, or conservatories to further their study of music. Awards are based on *musicianship and financial need*.

ELIGIBILITY

Secondary school students through advanced university degree applicants will be considered for awards. Higher priority will be given to those applicants who:

- Have played with the Magic Valley Symphony within the previous four years
- Are pursuing a degree or career in music
- Demonstrate outstanding proficiency on an orchestral instrument
- Are children of present Symphony members

A student who has received two Magic Valley Symphony awards is no longer eligible to apply. Magic Valley Symphony Scholarship Committee members and their immediate family members are not eligible for scholarships during their terms of service.

APPLICATION

Each applicant will be required to submit:

- A completed, signed application.
- A brief letter stating the musical background, goals, and need of the applicant. The specific planned use of scholarship funds must be clearly stated.
- One letter of recommendation, preferably from a private or public school music teacher.
- A copy of a letter of acceptance or receipt from the college, university, or camp if applicable.

DEADLINE

Completed applications must be postmarked no later than **March 31, 2018**.

Send application and supporting documents to:

Scholarship Committee
MAGIC VALLEY SYMPHONY
P.O. Box 1805
Twin Falls, ID 83303-1805

GRANT PROCEDURE

- Financial need will be determined through the Scholarship Committee's review of the Statement of Financial Need.
- Financial information will be used for this purpose only and will never be shared with anyone but members of the MVS Scholarship Committee.
- The number and amount of scholarships shall be determined at the sole discretion of the Magic Valley Symphony Board.
- Scholarship grants will be announced at the spring pops concert.
- Scholarship grants will be paid directly to the music camp, college, or university, whenever possible.
- Unused funds (due to program cancellation, withdrawal, or other reasons) will be returned to the Magic Valley Symphony.

- *Rules and procedures adopted by the MVS Board as of June 12, 2007.*