



New Horizons Bands Scholarship Application

Program Overview

The Museum of Making Music believes that music is for everyone. The New Horizons Bands Scholarship supports adults (ages 21 and older) who wish to begin or return to music-making through the New Horizons Bands programs.

This non-competitive program is designed to nurture learning, connection, and joy. Led by professional musicians, participants engage in weekly rehearsals, small-group coaching, and performance opportunities within a supportive and encouraging community.

Scholarships provide full program participation free of charge.

Scholarship Funding & Confidentiality

Scholarships are made possible through the generosity of our donors and are awarded based on demonstrated financial need. The application process is simple, confidential, and respectful. All income documentation is handled with care and securely destroyed after review or returned upon request.

Application Instructions

Step 1: Income Verification

Please select one verification method and attach the required documentation.

A. Expedited Verification

Applicants currently receiving assistance from county or state agencies have already completed income verification. We accept documentation from one of the following programs:

- Cash Aid
- CalFresh (Food Stamps)
- CalWORKs (Notice of Approval)
- Kin-GAP or Foster Care (Notice of Approval)
- Medi-Cal (Benefits Identification Card)
- WIC (Statement Letter or Voucher)
- HUD / Section 8 (Statement Letter)

If you need assistance accessing documentation, please contact your case worker or visit

<https://www.mybenefitscalwin.org/> to download a copy.

B. Traditional Verification

Applicants not eligible for expedited verification must submit both of the following:

1. Most recent tax return
 - o First two pages of Form 1040 or 1040A
 - o *Self-employed applicants must include Schedule C*
2. One of the following, if applicable:
 - o Most recent pay stubs
 - o SSI or Disability Statement
 - o Unemployment Benefits Letter

Step 2: Applicant Information & Statement of Need

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Scholarship Request:

- ☐ 50% Scholarship ☐ 75% Scholarship ☐ 100% Full Scholarship

Age Confirmation:

- ☐ I am 21 years of age or older

Statement of Need

Please provide a brief paragraph describing why you are requesting scholarship support and include any relevant circumstances.

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Step 3: Statement of Understanding & Signature

- I understand that if continued assistance is needed, this application must be renewed twelve (12) months from the submission date.
- I certify that the information provided is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and that no additional income has been omitted. I agree to provide additional documentation if requested. I understand that scholarships are awarded based on financial need.
- If I must cancel my participation, I will notify the Museum of Making Music promptly so that funds may be reassigned. I understand that falsification of information or failure to submit required documentation may result in loss of eligibility.
- I acknowledge that by receiving scholarship support, the Museum of Making Music is committing to my learning experience. In return, I agree to attend at least two-thirds of scheduled rehearsals and to participate in all performances whenever possible.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submission & Assistance

Documents may be submitted electronically or in person.

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact:

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