

LISA ALEXANDER MEMORIAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE TYPE THE APPLICATION. YOU MAY REQUEST A COPY IN MSWord FORMAT BY E-MAIL (galexander@alumni.rice.edu)
PLEASE ATTACH EXTRA SHEETS IF THERE IS NOT ENOUGH ROOM FOR ANY RESPONSE

NAME _____ () _____
AC HOME PHONE

HOME ADDRESS _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP + 4 _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

(1) _____ (2) _____ (3) _____
AREA(S) OF MUSICAL INTEREST

SCHOOL MUSIC DIRECTOR (IF CURRENT OR RECENT STUDENT) () _____
AC SCHOOL PHONE

SCHOOL ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP + 4 _____

CURRENT OR RECENT PRIVATE MUSIC TEACHER (IF ANY) () _____
AC SCHOOL PHONE

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP + 4 _____

ATTACHMENTS: please attach the following:

- A one- or two-page typewritten statement of how you plan to use the scholarship. Please include a statement that reflects your passion for the pursuit of music, either as a career goal or as an avocation. *This is very important.*
- A statement of financial need, which should include a copy of the first page of your and/or your parents' (if a dependent) most recent federal income tax form 1040. Other factors such as, but not limited to, extraordinary medical expenses, divorce, disability etc. may be included in your statement.

CONFIDENTIALITY: Completed applications will be available only to the selection committee. Only the chair of the committee will have access to financial details. Committee members will not retain copies of the applications after selection is complete.

REFERENCES: Please request reference letters from **three** people who know you well and can write about your passion for music, your need, your current accomplishments and your promise. Give each of these individuals an addressed and stamped envelope (Lisa Alexander Memorial Music Scholarship Committee, McHenry County Music Center, 31 East Crystal Lake Avenue, Crystal Lake IL 60014-6101) and request that they forward the letter directly to the committee. One letter must be from a music teacher or musician and one letter must be from a non-musician employer, teacher, counselor, pastor or youth group leader. The third letter may be from anyone of your choice, although we recommend choosing non family members as references. . *Choose carefully as the references will be very important factors in the decision. Emphasize the deadline to those who are writing letters on your behalf.*

TIMING: The scholarship is awarded in the spring, around the time of the McHenry County Youth Orchestra concert. The postmark deadline for mailed applications & reference letters is **February 15** prior to scholarship award. Hand-delivered applications & references must be in our office by 5:00 p.m. on **February 15**. Incomplete and late applications will not be accepted. Submit early! Emphasize the deadline to those who are writing letters of reference on your behalf.

MAIL TO: LISA ALEXANDER MEMORIAL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
McHENRY COUNTY MUSIC CENTER
31 EAST CRYSTAL LAKE AVENUE
CRYSTAL LAKE IL 60014-6101