

BETTY & NORMAN HALL MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

PRESENTED BY: MIDLAND SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

About

Betty Hall was a music lover from the time as a young girl she had the combined opportunity of a family piano and a mother who could teach her to play it. She developed her ability to the point that she was able to provide accompaniment on the piano for church and other musical functions. She also took part singing in choirs and choruses throughout most of her life. Betty taught beginning piano in Midland as her children were growing up and beyond. Although she grew up in a family of very limited means, she, along with her husband, Norman, ensured that their children had the opportunity for lessons helpful in promoting their talents. Even in late life she remained a music lover and, as a former schoolteacher, continued to have an interest in young children. In 1973 Betty and Norman Hall were honored with the Musician of the Year Award. Upon her passing, Betty Hall's daughters have established the Betty & Norman Hall Music Scholarship in honor of their mother, father and their dedication to music education in the Midland community.

Scholarship Purpose

The purpose of the Betty & Norman Hall Music Scholarship is to encourage a love and joy of classical music, both in individual music making and in future audiences, as well as to ensure an opportunity for musical study with a current or MSO-recommended instructor.

Guidelines and Selection Process

This award is intended for instrumental (strings, winds, percussion or piano) talented Midland County 5th and 6th graders who display interest and enthusiasm in their instrument and commitment to practice. Financial need is an important consideration, possibly giving opportunity to a student who otherwise would not be able to afford it. The scholarship can be presented to two deserving students each year.

This award will be administered by the MSO on the basis of recommendations from classroom teachers and private or classroom music teachers. Winners will be chosen by a panel of judges. Scholarship funds are intended to provide at least half of the private teacher lesson fees for a 12-month period. Recipients must make arrangements for lessons with the private instructor within 90 days of receiving the award notification.

Letters must include mailing addresses, phone/fax numbers, and email addresses of the teachers and student nominee. Teacher may recommend more than one student.

For further information, contact Matt Travis, Director of Choral and Orchestral Programs.

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Application Form

This form and all accompanying materials must be received by March 15, 2019.

Student Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address of Parent: _____

Instrument: _____ School: _____

Grade (Must currently be in 5th or 6th): _____

Classroom Teacher: _____

Private or Classroom Music Teacher: _____

Student may not be able to further music study without financial assistance:

yes no

To Be Completed By Classroom Teacher *(attach a separate sheet if needed)*:

Describe why this student deserves the scholarship funds: _____

Additional comments: _____

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To Be Completed By Music Teacher *(attach a separate sheet if needed):*

Explain how this student displays interest and enthusiasm in their instrument: _____

Describe why this student deserves the scholarship funds: _____

Additional comments: _____

Send your application package to: Betty & Norman Hall Music Scholarship
c/o Midland Symphony Orchestra
1801 West Saint Andrews
Midland, MI 48640

I have read, understand and agree to the application, guideline and timeline information.

Classroom Teacher Signature: _____ Date: _____

Music Teacher Signature: _____ Date: _____

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