



## **Application Guidelines for Jazz in AZ Music Scholarships**

**Open to all aspiring musicians**

Jazz in Arizona, Inc., a 501(C)(3) organization, accepts applications for scholarships throughout the year, and generally makes awards on a quarterly basis. JiA's primary focus is to assist emerging jazz musicians (vocalists and instrumentalists) in their development by granting scholarships for performance and educational purposes.

Awards will be made on the basis of demonstrated music achievement, talent potential, and financial need. The amounts awarded will vary depending on the specific purpose

of the applicants request. Generally, the amount awarded is a supplement to other sources of support used to fund the applicant's performance or educational needs.

### **Eligibility**

Anyone is eligible to apply for a JiA scholarship as an emerging jazz artists if; you are pursuing a life-long activity of studying and performing jazz; if you have not been a member of a group that has recorded commercially-released recordings; and if you have never signed contracts with any booking agent or manager. You must also be between the ages of 14 and 22, and have evidence of success in a formal music program of study (typically high school, college, or private instruction.)

### **Application Procedure**

Applications may be submitted at any time. The following materials must be submitted together: a completed JiA application form; if the applicant will be in school, a copy of the applicant's school enrollment schedule that includes music instruction, and any letter(s) of recommendation from the applicant's instructor(s) attesting to the applicant's musical talent and potential; and, if the applicant is receiving financial aid while in college, a copy of the applicant's award letter.

### **Selection Process**

The JiA Scholarship Selection Committee will meet regularly to screen and make awards to applicants. Awards will be made to those who have fully completed the application procedure, and who have demonstrated the greatest achievement, potential, and financial need. In addition, applicant finalists may be asked to perform before the selection committee in an audition or event that displays the applicant's performance ability.

## **Questions?**

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