



APPLICATION FOR PIPE ORGAN ENCOUNTERS SCHOLARSHIP AID

POE Director Information

The Committee on the New Organist (CONO) reviews scholarship applications and awards scholarship aid to students attending Pipe Organ Encounters. Scholarship aid is not available to students attending Pipe Organ Encounters Plus. The committee establishes criteria and procedures for evaluating and rating each application.

Timeline for application and notification: **Students may apply for scholarship aid after January 15 and within two weeks after the application deadline of the POE they wish to attend.** Directors: Print this application timeline in your publicity brochure. Applications must be submitted to the local POE Director for recommendation and review. Completed applications consist of the student and parent applications, and teacher recommendation. The local POE Director, upon reviewing the application (student, parent, and teacher) forwards it to the National Office (send to info@agohq.org) along with the local POE Director's recommendation. Please indicate in the subject line of your e-mail correspondence that you are sending a POE scholarship application. All scholarship applications and local POE Directors' recommendations must be received by May 15.

Scholarship applications may be transmitted to the National Office by postal mail, e-mail or fax. The committee will review applications by e-mail or telephone monthly, February through June.

Notification of the committee's decisions will be made within the month of review to the local Chapter POE director, to the Director of CONO and to James Thomashower, Executive Director.

Awards: Scholarship awards will be offered to a maximum of the registration fee which shall not exceed \$450. The committee will know the pool of money with which they have to work, and allocate accordingly. The New Organist Fund (80 percent of interest income for that year) and Guild Operating Funds are the sources of scholarship money.

All those applying for aid, whether awarded a scholarship or not, will receive a copy of Jeffrey Alban's *Strategies for Personal Fundraising for POE Students*.

Awards will be applicable for tuition only and are made directly to the POE host chapter. A student may receive only one award per year, applied to one POE.

Awards are largely based on financial need and information provided on the application forms. Teacher and local POE Director recommendations provide insight into the applicant's character and need.

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Directors: When forwarding the scholarship application to students, remind them that all three pages—student and parent applications, and teacher recommendation – must be submitted and must be complete, or the student cannot be considered for an award. Completed applications are returned to you for your comments and recommendations, and then you must forward the three pages and this page with your recommendations to the National Office. **Do not forward incomplete applications.**

The student and parent applications and teacher information are available for downloading from the AGO Web site at www.agohq.org. Click on Education and Certification, then Pipe Organ Encounters. Scroll to the bottom for the application forms. You may also access the applications directly by going to www.agohq.org/docs/pdf/poescholarship.pdf.

Student awards may be applied to a maximum of one POE per year. Students can not apply for assistance to attend a second or third POE in the same year. Directors: Remember to include this page with the three-page application.

For Office use only

Local Chapter POE Director

Complete and return to the National Office with application.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION.

Name of Applicant: _____ POE Site: _____

Comments: _____

(Please identify if the student is receiving assistance from other sources,
identify the source and amount of assistance. Include any other pertinent information).

Approve ____ Deny ____ Date: _____

Local POE Director's recommendation of amount of award: \$ _____

Local POE Director's Signature

Local POE Director's Printed Name

Local POE Director's Phone & Email: _____

PLEASE DO NOT DETACH ANYTHING FROM THIS APPLICATION!

Scholarship Committee

Comments: _____

Approve ____ Deny ____ Date: _____

Committee member's recommendation of amount of award: \$ _____

Committee Member's Signature

Committee Member's Printed Name