Music Scholarship Application Information

Excellence in musical performance is a high priority at Concordia University. To continue our traditions of high quality performances, talented student musicians are assisted annually with music scholarships up to $5,000. To be considered for an award, please follow the steps below.

Step 1 – Fill out and send in your Application

To receive priority consideration, complete and send your application to Concordia University’s Music Office by February 1, 2009. Awards are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. Applications may be considered after the deadline, but it is in your best interest to submit the application and complete an audition as soon as possible.

Step 2 – Select an Audition Date

Saturday, November 8, 2008     Saturday, February 14, 2009

Live auditions are preferred. They allow our prospective students to experience first hand the active student life at Concordia. When you visit our campus, tours may be arranged through our admissions office. You may sit in on and even participate in one of our ensemble rehearsals! When we receive your application, we will contact you to confirm a date and time for your interview with us. If no date above is suitable please arrange another one with the Music Office.

Step 3 – Prepare for your Audition

**Live auditions:** Prepare two or three selections of varying styles that demonstrate your current level of achievement on voice and/or an instrument. If desired, you may audition on more than one instrument to demonstrate your versatility. A professional accompanist will be available to assist you during your performance if requested at the time of your application.

**Taped auditions:** If you are not able to audition in person, please prepare a video recording (an audio cassette or CD is acceptable if video is impossible) or a solo performance, following the same guidelines given above for the live auditions. *Please mark your tape clearly with your name and the music you are performing.* On your tape, please show evidence of your sight-reading skill.

**Special choral, handbell and instrumental guidelines:** Each performance area may have special guidelines. Please request these from the Music Office or the appropriate directors.

Step 4 – Send Letters of Recommendation

Ask at least two adult musical, educational, or spiritual leaders who know you well to send recommendations concerning their perception of your musical leadership, social skills and personal qualities. On the application form be sure to provide us with the names and phone numbers of these individuals should we desire to contact them. It is your responsibility to assure that they send these letters.

No awards can be granted until all Admission and Financial Aid files have been completed.

Please contact these offices for more information:
Admissions (949) 854-8002 x1106 • Financial Aid (949) 854-8002 x1136 • Music (949) 854-8002 x1525