



MHBNE Youth Scholarship Fund Guidelines

Purpose: The Mixed Harmony Brigade of New England Scholarship Fund (MHBNE-SF) was created so that singers who are qualified to participate in the Mixed Harmony Brigade (MHB), but are constrained for personal financial reasons, can apply and be considered for financial support to make participation possible.

Method of requesting scholarships: Anyone between the age of 18 and 25 applying for an upcoming MHB weekend may request financial support through the MHBNE-SF once registration opens. In order to allow adequate time for the applicant to learn the music, it is recommended that all requests for scholarships be submitted no later than **October 31** in the year prior to the upcoming Brigade weekend. *First-time attendees should not apply for a scholarship until **after** they have applied for and received an invitation to register; this process begins in early October.*

Criteria for awarding scholarships: The Scholarship Committee will consider all requests based on need, as presented in the applications, and available funds. The Scholarship Committee will award such scholarships as they deem appropriate and will advise the applicant in writing within a month of application, but not later than **December 1** so that the applicant may be secure in the knowledge that they will have adequate funds to participate and start learning the music.

Amount of scholarships: It is the MHB policy to fund up to 100% of the total cost of the registration fee. This includes two nights lodging (double room occupancy) at the hotel, Friday night buffet dinner, Saturday morning hot breakfast, Saturday night buffet dinner, Sunday morning hot breakfast, as well as sheet music and learning tracks to all repertoire songs.

Use of scholarship awards: In no case will any scholarships awarded under this policy be permitted to transfer to any other participant. If an applicant requires scholarship funds in a future year, they are required to restart the process again in that year. Payment of Scholarship funds: awarded scholarships will be handled as a credit to the recipient's account (not paid to them directly).

Obligations of Scholarship Recipients: Scholarship recipients are expected to abide by the same rules of preparation and participation as all other WHB participants, including being fully prepared on all arrangements, participating in all facets of the weekend, and singing with anyone who asks.



Application Process: First time attendees must first complete a Prospective Participant Application form, which is available on the [MHB website \(www.mhbne.org\)](http://www.mhbne.org) starting October 1st of each year. Applications will be reviewed by the Registration Committee and invitations to participate will be sent to Prospective Participants and prior year participants as their applications are approved. Your Scholarship application will not be reviewed until you are approved for registration. In order to allow adequate time for the applicant to learn the music, a request for a MHBNE-SF scholarship should be submitted no later than October 31. For questions, email

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