



MHBNE Scholarship Fund Guidelines

Purpose: Through the generous support of its members, the MHBNE Scholarship Fund was created to help support and encourage primarily younger singers to attend the MHBNE.

Criteria for awarding scholarships: The Scholarship Committee will consider all requests based on potential singing ability and also need, as presented in the applications, subject to the availability of funds. Generally, all singers under 30 are eligible to apply. The Scholarship Committee will award scholarships as they deem appropriate and will advise the applicant via email so that the applicant may be secure in the knowledge that they will have adequate funds to participate and start learning the music.

Method of requesting scholarships: To allow adequate time for applicants to learn the music, all requests for scholarships should be submitted as soon as possible. Attendees should not apply for a scholarship until after they have first applied to the brigade and been accepted.

Amount of scholarships: For first-time applicants, our goal is to fund up to 100% of the total cost of the standard registration fee minus a \$50 administration fee. The standard registration fee includes two nights board and lodging (double room occupancy) at the hotel plus sheet music and learning tracks to all repertoire songs. Transportation costs are not included, although MHBNE may help the applicant find a ride. Returning applicants are still eligible for scholarships, but generally awards will be made at a lower rate than for first-time applicants.

Use of scholarship awards: In no case will any scholarships awarded under this policy be permitted to transfer to any other participant. Scholarships will not be paid directly to applicants. They will appear as a credit on the recipient's account.

Obligations of Scholarship Recipients: Scholarship recipients should be ready to sing with a high level of musicality and quartet performance. Recipients are expected to abide by the same rules of preparation and participation as all other MHBNE participants, including being fully prepared on all arrangements, participating in all facets of the weekend, and singing with anyone who asks.

For questions, email the MHBNE Scholarship Committee at scholarships@mhbne.org