

Minnesota Music Teachers Association Foundation
STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARD

Application deadline: postmarked **May 1, 2008**. (See attached form)

The Minnesota Music Teachers Association Foundation sponsors an annual award of \$500. to a music student who is a senior in high school. The student must currently be studying with and nominated by his or her music teacher. The award is given to honor a student who has a strong record of:

- service to his or her community through music
- participation in musical ensembles
- skill as a performer and as a creative musician

Each student must submit an application form (see next page) together with an organized portfolio, including:

- A nomination letter from your private instructor (piano, voice or other instrument) recommending you for the award.
- Three letters of recommendation from others in the community who have knowledge of your activities, such as school music teachers, community members (director of a musical or play in which you have participated, activities director at a nursing home where you have volunteered, etc.), church music directors, or others.
- A list of COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES in which you have participated through music (nursing homes, senior citizen center, church activities, volunteer work, musicals or plays, community band or orchestra). Include the year in which each activity took place and give a brief description.
- A list of your ENSEMBLE participation (MMTA Ensemble Festival, MENC, School or Church choirs, Chamber Music or Collaborative performance, etc.) Include performance dates, and copies of recent programs.
- A list of practical and theory EXAMS you have taken (MMTA Syllabus, National Guild of Piano Teachers, National Federation of Music Teachers, National Music Certificate Program (formerly Royal American Conservatory)). Include the year each exam was taken and the scores you received.
- A list of CONTEST participation (such as MTNA, MMTA, Schubert Club, Thursday Musicale, etc.). Include year, level and any awards received.
- A list of COMPOSITION contest participation (such as MTNA, MMTA, American Composer Forum). Include year and any awards received.
- A list of participation in any other MUSIC ACTIVITIES

If you wish, you may also submit an un-edited, high-quality CD recording of a recent live performance in support of your application. This is not a required part of the application. A recording, if submitted, will be one of several factors considered by the committee. Maximum time: 15 minutes. Please document clearly the date, event, repertoire and performer (performing ensemble, if applicable).

Finalists may be invited to participate in a live or telephone interview, conducted by members of the MMTA Foundation Board. The Student of the Year will be notified by May 30, 2008 and will receive the award at the MMTA Convention luncheon on Tuesday, June 10, 2008. The MMTA Foundation Board reserves the right to divide the award or to choose not to award it in any given year.

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STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARD APPLICATION FORM

Application deadline: Postmarked by May 1. Mail a completed application form and portfolio to:
MMTA Foundation Student of the Year Award Committee, 203 Morley Parkway, Duluth, MN 55803.

Application Form

Student:

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

E-mail _____ Phone: _____

School _____ Year of graduation _____

Student's Signature: _____

Music Teacher:

Name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____ Phone: _____

Teacher's Signature: _____