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ANNUAL AWARDS FOR TALENTED YOUNG MUSICIANS IN NORTH DEVON

Notes for Candidates, Parents, Guardians and Teachers

YMS funds are available to help young people (under 19 on 1st September 2011) currently in full time education and living in Torrridge or North Devon. The fund is aimed particularly at those who are financially disadvantaged.

Awards are intended to support musical development by contributing towards the cost of tuition, the purchase of instruments and so on. It is not necessary for the student to have taken formal graded exams although he or she should have been learning for at least a year and shown ability and commitment. Enthusiasm, aptitude and potential are as important as proven ability.

The closing date for applications will be **February 26th 2011**.

Auditions will be held at West Buckland School on **Saturday 26th March**.

Candidates will be asked to perform two short pieces, including an accompanied piece if appropriate. They may also be given aural tests and asked to play scales etc at their grade level. An accompanist will be available on the day and the candidate will need to supply the music. Teachers are most welcome to attend.

The auditioning panel will comprise three noted local musicians. They will be looking for real potential and/or outstanding ability, together with proven dedication and a broader interest in classical music beyond the chosen instrument. It is important that the candidate's teacher or referee can confirm these attributes.

Whilst the student is auditioning, the parent(s) or guardian will be invited to discuss the student's specific needs with members of the YMS Committee. Please be prepared to talk about financial matters. Applications for awards are dealt with in the strictest confidence. No information provided to YMS will be disclosed to any other person or organisation

The results will be sent by post. In the event that no award is made, YMS will make a contribution towards the expense of attending the audition.

In addition to receiving a financial award, successful candidates will be encouraged to keep in touch with YMS, participate in local ensembles and perform at public events helping YMS to raise money to help others in the future. They will also be expected to take advantage of the YMS scheme which offers free tickets to classical concerts at local venues. Parents will also be asked to help YMS in its fund-raising activities. For more information about YMS visit www.ymsndevon.org

If you have any questions please call YMS Chairman, Heather Shorten, tel 01805 603 386. Alternatively you can e-mail YMS Secretary, Karen Hopper at secretary@ymsndevon.org

Please scan and e-mail your completed application form to Karen or post it to Crick Hollow, Lower Loxhore, Barnstaple, Devon EX31 4SY



APPLICATION FORM 2011

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THE CANDIDATE :

Name Date of Birth

Address

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..... Post Code

e-mail address

Telephone / mobile no

School/College

	Instrument	Year started	Current Teacher	Graded Exams / dates
1				
2				
3				

What are your musical ambitions?

Do you go to the North Devon Music Centre?

Do you like going to concerts?

Do you enjoy performing for an audience?

Signed

Date

THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF

Why do you need financial assistance? Please let us know about any special circumstances.

What are your current costs? Is there anything specific you need help with?

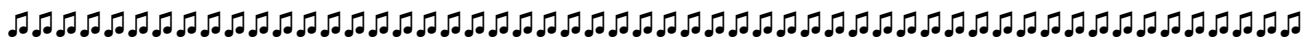
Are you expecting help from any other sources? Please give details.

Would you be able to lend a hand at YMS fund-raising events?

<i>Signature of parent or guardian</i>	
.....	Tel
PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME AS WELL	

Please attach a statement of commendation from principal music teacher and/or other referee.

or tear off this portion and give it to the teacher



To Whom It May Concern:

Please provide a reference for in support of an application for funds from Dartington North Devon Trust, Young Musicians' Support.

Please tell us how long you have taught this student and a little bit about their progress and attitude. A few lines will be sufficient.

Please e-mail your comments to Karen Hopper, YMS Secretary, at secretary@ymsndevon.org or send them to Crick Hollow, Lower Loxhore, Barnstaple, Devon EX31 4SY

For more information visit the YMS website www.ymsndevon.org