Asheville Community Band Announces Music Scholarships for Local Student Musicians

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The Asheville Community Band is pleased to announce the availability of music scholarships for local college, high school, and middle school students. The purpose of these scholarships is to further the education of local students through college tuition payments or music camp attendance.

The scholarships are available in two separate “tracks.”

• For college students, Asheville Community Band offers two $2,000 scholarships for those young talented musicians who are pursuing a college degree in music education or performance. The Patricia L. Garren scholarship is given in honor of the band’s founding director, who led the band for 17 years. The Michael L. Robinson scholarship is given in honor of the band’s second director, who directed the band for 20 years and who retired in 2016. Applications for the college sponsorships are due on March 10, 2019, and the forms can be downloaded from Asheville Community Band at http://ashevillecommunityband.com/scholarships/ Recipients of these scholarships will be chosen in March 2019 and will be announced at our Spring concert to be performed on the campus of UNCA at Lipinsky Hall on Sunday, March 17 at 4:30 PM.

• For middle and high school students, The Asheville Community Band offers “Summer Music Camp” scholarships that can be applied toward summer band camps of the student’s choosing. Applications for the middle and high school sponsorships are due on May 1, 2019, and the forms can be downloaded from Asheville Community Band at http://ashevillecommunityband.com/scholarships/ Recipients for these scholarships will be chosen in May 2018 and will be announced at our Memorial Day holiday concert to be performed at the Folk Arts Center on Sunday, May 26, 2019 at 3:30 PM.

These scholarships represent Asheville Community Band’s reach to the community, and a “thank you” for those that have supported the organization by purchasing tickets or providing donations to the organization. The band gave its first college scholarship in 1998 and since then has awarded more than $40,000.00 in scholarships.

Because of the generosity of our patrons, we have been able to award deserving students with scholarships which help to ensure the continuance of concert band music not only for our group but for young musicians all over Western North Carolina.

Asheville Community Band’s next concert will be performed on the campus of UNCA at Lipinsky Hall on Sunday, March 17 at 2:30 and 4:30 PM. The theme for the concert is “Mozart, Mountains & Mickey Mouse” and tickets may be purchased at the door. Please continue to support your community musicians, as well as our local students!