

NSM Scholarships, need-based

Due to the generosity of our donors, financial assistance based on need is available through the Nicholas Van Slyck Scholarship Fund. **Scholarship awards are made on a first-come-first serve basis throughout the year**, and are awarded to cover a percentage of tuition fees on a sliding basis determined by income, family size, and other individual circumstances. There are no application deadlines, but funds are limited and early applicants receive greater consideration. All applications must include complete copies of the most recent year's tax return filings and additional income verification as applicable.

If you have any questions please stop by our office, call 617-492-8105 or email us at info@newschoolofmusic.org.

Please drop-off or mail completed application materials to:

**New School of Music
25 Lowell Street
Cambridge, MA 02138**

Or email completed application & all supporting documents to:

director@newschoolofmusic.org

NSM Scholarship Guidelines

- Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- Only one student per form.
- All scholarship students receive *a percentage* of their tuition covered by NSM's Scholarship Fund, scholarships typically range from 10–50% based on financial need; no full tuition scholarships.
- Scholarships awards are typically valid through August 2025, corresponding with the Terms/Dates you provide on the application.
- NSM reserves the right to terminate scholarship for delinquent payments and or habitual absenteeism.
- If you register and pay for a class before you are notified of your award, NSM cannot issue a refund.
- Scholarship recipients will be notified by email or telephone. Further details about the scholarship will be included at that time; payment is needed within five business days to reserve the scholarship.

The New School of Music Scholarship Application

I. Personal Information:

Name of Student: _____		
<u>If student is under 18 years old:</u>		
Date of Birth _____	Grade (in Fall) _____	
Pronouns _____	she/her	he/him they/them
School Attending: _____	Public _____	Private _____
1) Parent/Guardian Name: _____		
2) Parent/Guardian Name: _____		
<u>Required for all:</u>		
Home Address: _____		
City: _____	State: _____	Zip: _____
Employer: _____	Work Phone: _____	
Employer: _____	Work Phone: _____	
Home/Evening Phone: _____	Cell Phone: _____	
E-Mail(s): _____		
Are you a returning student to NSM? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
If yes, were you awarded a scholarship last year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		

II. Financial Information:

In order to assess tuition assistance eligibility, please provide the following:

Number of people in your household: Adults _____ Children _____

For the purpose of income verification I have attached a copy of the following documents, as applicable:

- Most recent Federal Income Tax Return (Form 1040, 1040-A or 1040-EX pages 1 and 2 only, no schedules)
- Letter from Social Welfare Agency stating amount of allotment
- Official proof of Social Security income or survivor's pension
- Official proof of unemployment compensation
- Proof of other source of income (child support, maintenance or alimony)

Parent/Guardian #1 total yearly Adjusted Gross Income: \$ _____

Parent/Guardian #2 total yearly Adjusted Gross income: \$ _____

Total yearly family income (add lines 1 and 2): \$ _____

Total Monthly Family Expenses:

Rent/Mortgage: \$ _____

Loan(s): \$ _____

Did you have any extraordinary expenses within the last year? Please provide explanation and written verification (copy of bill, receipt, cancelled check, etc.)

What is the total amount per term you feel you can pay? \$ _____

III. Course of Study:

<u>Previous course of Study</u> (for returning students)	<u>Proposed Course of Study for 2024-2025</u>
<p>Did you receive a scholarship last year? _____</p> <p>If so, for private lessons? ___Yes ___No</p> <p>If yes, length of lessons: _____ 30 min. _____ 45 min. _____ 60 min.</p> <p>Private Lesson Teacher: _____</p> <p>Group Class/Ensemble/Vacation Program? ___Yes ___No</p> <p>Please list classes the applicant participated in last year: _____ _____</p> <p>If the applicant participated in a group classes or ensemble last year, did she/he participate for the full year (September – June)? ___Yes ___No</p> <p>If no, please share why you were unable (or choose not to) continue through the end of the school year. _____ _____</p>	<p>Which term(s) does the applicant intend to register for (check all that apply)</p> <p>_____ Fall 2024 _____ Spring 2025 _____ Summer 2025</p> <p>Lessons/Classes, check all that you intend to register for:</p> <p>___Private lessons: Length of lessons: _____ 30 min. _____ 45 min. _____ 60 min.</p> <p>Instrument/Voice: _____</p> <p>Name of Private Lesson Teacher, <i>if known</i>: _____</p> <p>___Group Class/Ensemble/Vacation Programs: _____ _____ _____</p>

IV. Statement of Intent:

Please explain your decision to apply and why the scholarship is important to you.

Please check here if NSM has your permission to use your statement below to help obtain future scholarship funding.

V. Signature

I certify that the information provided on this form and all accompanying documents is correct and understand that false, misleading and/or incomplete information is grounds for non-consideration or forfeiture of all scholarship awards.

Signature or Parent/Guardian Signature if student is under age 18

Date

CHECKLIST

- Completed Application, all 4 pages
- Copy of Income Verification (See section II); *do not send originals*
- Submit to: New School of Music, 25 Lowell Street, Cambridge, MA 02138 or scan a copy of all documents to director@newschoolofmusic.org.