

## Qualification Criteria

- **Eligible students** must either be or have been **educated within Woking Borough** or be **resident within the Borough**. We regret that this excludes students attending music lessons in Woking but not otherwise educated or resident within the Borough.
- Eligible students must be **aged between 14 and 20 on 31st December 2018**.
- **Auditions** will be held at St. Peters Church, Old Woking on **Friday 22nd March 2019**, between approximately 18:00 and 21:00, when awards may be granted to students showing exceptional musical promise. All eligible musicians are welcome to apply, including instrumentalists, singers, pianists, organists, composers and conductors.
- The Trustees reserve the right to compile a short-list from applications.
- **Auditions**, followed by a brief **interview**. Special arrangements will be made for organists or conductors. Auditions will comprise a **live performance** (or a presentation in the case of composition students) **lasting no more than 10 minutes**
- **Good performance presentation at the audition is paramount**.
- At the **interview** candidates will be asked how they might apply any award made towards the **specific musical purpose** named on their application form. It is critical that students have a clear musical purpose in mind; awards for general musical expenses will not be considered.
- Students are encouraged to bring their own **accompanist** to the audition for their live performance. The Trust can recommend accompanists who can be contacted and may be available on the audition date. Students should make their own arrangements for prior rehearsal, and should note that payment for an accompanist's services will be their own responsibility and not that of the Trust. Only in exceptional circumstances will the use of backing tracks be accepted, e.g. for a composition presentation.
- Students should **download and save** the **Application Form** from this website to their computer. After completion, it should be sent as an email attachment to:  
[wokingyoungmusiciantrust@gmail.com](mailto:wokingyoungmusiciantrust@gmail.com)
- If preferred, the Application Form may be completed neatly by hand and sent by post to the following address: Woking Young Musicians Trust, Wyke Cottage, Guildford Road, Normandy, GUILDFORD, Surrey, GU3 2AN.

- **Deadline for applications is Friday, 22nd February 2019.** No applications can be accepted after this date.
- The **Application Form must be counter-signed** by the student's Head of Music, or instrumental/vocal/composition teacher, **together with the latter's contact details** (ideally email) to allow for confirmation.
- Candidates will be notified their results as soon as possible after the auditions. A brief summary of constructive feedback will be included as an integral part of these results.
- An **Awards Ceremony** for successful candidates will be held in Woking on **Sunday, 12th May 2019** at which each recipient will be asked to give a short presentation.
- **Successful candidates are required to keep the Trustees apprised of the use of their award and may be asked for proof of purchase. Awards are expected to be used within 3 years of award date. If the award is misspent or not spent within the 3 years the Trust reserves the right to ask for the amount to be refunded.**