

## Music Talent Scholarships!

Whittier College is pleased to offer special scholarships to entering freshmen who demonstrate promise in music. Music talent scholarships are valued up to \$12,000 and are renewable for four years of study at Whittier College provided the recipient maintains a minimum cumulative G.P.A. of 2.0, enrolls in MUS 70 Introduction to Music Theory and Musicianship during freshman year, and is an active participant each semester in at least one college musical ensemble.

**Please note that students may also apply for talent scholarships from the Art and Theatre Departments, but if offered multiple talent scholarships the student can only accept an award from one department and must decline all other offers.**

The Whittier College Music Department offers preparation for a wide range of career opportunities and students with serious aspirations in music are encouraged to consider music as a major. In addition to applied music, class instruction is offered in conducting, music literature and materials, theory, music business and music technology. A digital piano and music technology lab is available for student use and is integrated in several course offerings. A state-of-the-art digital recording studio is also utilized by the Department for all music technology classes and student recording projects. Students may also develop areas of specialization or individual projects under faculty supervision in related fields such as church music, management, musicology, ethnomusicology, music theory, music industries, and musical theater.

### FALL 2018 APPLICANTS

**Live Auditions.** It is preferred that students entering Whittier in the Fall semester audition in person. This year, auditions will be held **Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018**. You must contact the Music Department at (562) 907-4237 to schedule your audition. You may be accompanied by *one* live musician. If you are unable to bring your own accompanist, please notify us prior to your visit and we will do our best to provide one. Taped accompaniments are discouraged. **The Music Department cannot accommodate live auditions on alternate dates.**

**YouTube Auditions.** Students unable to schedule live auditions must submit YouTube videos. Videos of live public performances will not be accepted; treat this exactly as you would a live audition. YouTube videos **must be submitted no later than Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018** to guarantee consideration. When uploading your YouTube video:

- Make sure that your video is NOT set to Private
  - You may set the video to Unlisted to prevent unauthorized viewers
- Title your video “Whittier Music Audition: [Your Name]”
- Include the titles and composers of the works performed in your video description
- Email the video’s link to [talent@whittier.edu](mailto:talent@whittier.edu)

Please contact Talent Scholarship Coordinator David Laine at [talent@whittier.edu](mailto:talent@whittier.edu) before Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 if you need assistance submitting your YouTube audition.

**Audition Material.** Students should prepare two contrasting pieces; *it is strongly preferred that one of these pieces be from the standard classical repertoire in your instrument or voice.*

### SPRING 2018 APPLICANTS

All Music Scholarship Application materials must be received by **Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017**. You must be admitted to Whittier College before applying for talent scholarships, so complete your Whittier application ASAP, before its November 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. Spring Applicants cannot audition live, and must submit a YouTube Audition following the above directions.

The accompanying Application Guidelines sheet explains the application process for the Music Talent Scholarship. Do not hesitate to contact the Talent Scholarship Program at [talent@whittier.edu](mailto:talent@whittier.edu) if you require further information.

Sincerely,

Danilo Lozano  
Professor of Music  
Chair, Music Department

**Application Guidelines  
Music Talent Scholarship  
Whittier College**

**Music Talent Scholarship Application Deadline**

**Fall 2018 Applicants:** Live auditions will take place **Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018**. All application materials (including YouTube videos if you cannot attend the Live Audition) must be received by **Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. You must be admitted to Whittier College before applying for talent scholarships, so complete your Whittier College application ASAP, before its February 1<sup>st</sup> deadline to guarantee consideration.

**Spring 2018 Applicants:** All Music Scholarship Application materials must be received by **Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017**. You must be admitted to Whittier College before applying for talent scholarships, so complete your Whittier College application ASAP, before its November 1<sup>st</sup> deadline to guarantee consideration. Spring applicants cannot perform Live Auditions, and must instead submit YouTube auditions.

**Required Application Materials**

**All submissions must be emailed.** Email your completed Information Form and Essay to [talent@whittier.edu](mailto:talent@whittier.edu). Follow the directions below to submit your Art Portfolio. **Instructors must submit their own recommendations.**

- One Student Information Form.
  - This is a fillable PDF form. It is strongly encouraged that you fill this form out on your computer, save it, and email your electronic submission.
- One Essay by the Applicant: In one to two pages please express the importance of music in your life presently and what you see as the place it will hold in your future.
- 1 Instructor Recommendation: Must be completed by a music teacher, director, or private music instructor. **Instructors must submit recs directly to [talent@whittier.edu](mailto:talent@whittier.edu). Instructor recs submitted by students will not be accepted.**
  - This is a fillable PDF form. It is strongly encouraged that you email this form to your instructor to fill out on their computer and submit electronically.
- Audition: Either attend the Live Auditions or submit a YouTube Audition. See cover letter for further instruction about both audition methods.

Incoming First-Year Student \_\_\_\_

Incoming Transfer Student \_\_\_\_

**Department of Music  
Student Information Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Current School \_\_\_\_\_

Music Teacher or Instructor \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in \_\_\_\_ Vocal Music \_\_\_\_ Instrumental Music

Instrument(s)  
played:

Academic  
Interests:

Extracurricular  
Interests:

**Performance Experience**

(List Performances/Events, with Dates. List additional experience on resume if needed):

**List of Names of Private Teachers and Years of Study:**

**List of School Music Ensembles and Years of Participation:**

**Honors as a Student Musician (Festivals, Leadership Roles, Competitions, etc.):**

**List the two compositions you expect to perform for the audition (include both Composer and Title):**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

**On one to two separate pages, please express the importance of music in your life presently and what you see as the place it will hold in your future.**

Email this completed form and essay to [talent@whittier.edu](mailto:talent@whittier.edu).

**John Greenleaf Whittier Music Scholarship  
Instructor Recommendation Form**

*Must be completed by a Music Instructor*

Dear Colleague: \_\_\_\_\_ is applying for a Talent Award Scholarship at Whittier College. We will appreciate your help in completing the form below. The information you provide will significantly enhance our ability to make informed scholarship decisions. All information will be kept strictly confidential. Feel free to email Talent Scholarship Coordinator David Laine at [talent@whittier.edu](mailto:talent@whittier.edu) if you have any questions.

Name of Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_

School Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject Taught: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

How long, and in what capacity, have you known the applicant?

Comment upon musical skills:

Comment upon social/citizenship skills:

Has this student assumed a leadership position in your program?

Can you project this student's potential for success in a Liberal Arts setting?

Please rate this student among other seniors in the current year (check one):

Top 5%     Top 10%     Top 20%     Top 50%     Bottom 50%

Can this student thrive as a leader in a collegiate ensemble?

Will you be assisting the student in preparation of audition material?

Other Comments:

**DO NOT return this completed form to the student.** Email the completed form to [talent@whittier.edu](mailto:talent@whittier.edu).

<b>Deadlines for Incoming First-Year Students</b>	<b>Deadlines for Incoming Transfer Students</b>
<b>Fall 2018: Submit by Friday, Feb. 16</b>	<b>Fall 2018: Submit by Tuesday, May 1</b>
<b>Spring 2018: Submit by Friday, Dec. 1</b>	<b>Spring 2018: Submit by Friday, Dec. 1</b>