

Women's Committee for the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra
P. O. Box 2424
Petersburg, Virginia 23804

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKET

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***The F. Nathaniel Galtin Scholarship**

\$1,000

**A Current PSO Musician: High School Senior, Undergraduate,
Post-graduate**

***The Lilian S. Edwards Scholarship**

\$1,000

**High School Senior, Current College Music Student, Graduate,
Post-Graduate Music Student**

***The Edith Collier Scholarship**

\$500

**High School Senior, Current College Music Student, Graduate,
Post-Graduate Music Student**

***The Elizabeth Cooper Scholarship**

\$500

**High School Senior, Current Undergraduate Music Student, Graduate,
Post-Graduate Music Student**

***The Eleanor Ritchings Scholarship**

\$500

**High School Senior, Current Undergraduate Music Student, Graduate,
Post-Graduate Music Student**

Thank you for applying for one of five WCPSO prestigious scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000. We annually award three scholarships totaling \$2,000. Two are valued at \$500 each and the third scholarship is valued at \$1,000.

The Women's Committee for the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra was organized in January 1983 with fifty women attending the formal installation of officers the following April in Centre Hill Mansion, with Edith Collier serving as the organization's first president. This organization is dedicated to promoting and providing financial support for the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra as a permanent cultural institution in the communities of Southside Virginia, including Petersburg, Colonial Heights, Hopewell, Chesterfield, Prince George, Dinwiddie, and surrounding areas.

The Women's Committee for the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra (WCPSO) annually awards scholarships to area high school seniors, college, graduate, and post-graduate students who wish to further their music education. These scholarships honor former women's committee leaders: Edith Collier, Elizabeth Cooper, Lillian Edwards, and Eleanor Ritchings. **The F. Nathaniel Gatlin Scholarship is awarded to qualified high school seniors, college students, graduate, and post-graduate students who are current members of the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra.**

Applications are delivered to: (1) local high school music teachers and music departments and to high school counselors, (2) to music departments of local colleges and universities, (3) to active Petersburg Symphony Orchestra members, and (4) applications can also be downloaded from the Petersburg Symphony's website that can be accessed at: www.petersburgsymphony.org

Completed applications must be received no later than the first Friday in April. Mail your completed applications to:

**Ms. Janice Mann, Scholarship Chair
1608 Drury Road
Petersburg, VA 23805**

Applicants must fully complete the application and the 200-word Essay, along with providing an **official copy** of their high school transcript or college/university transcript(s) and **one** letter of recommendation from **any one** of the following qualified professionals: Private Music Instructor, PSO Orchestra Director; high school band director, high school orchestra director, chair of high school music department; college band director, college orchestra director, or the chair or dean of college music department.

Scholarship recipients will be promptly notified using phone number/address provided on their applications. *Scholarships will be awarded at the April Petersburg Symphony Orchestra concert held in the Petersburg High School Auditorium.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

ALL APPLICANTS

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code : _____

Home/Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

High School Students Only

Parents/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

Home/Cell Phone Number: _____

Student's Email: _____

Parents/Guardian's Email: _____

ALL APPLICANTS:

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

****Application must Include an official copy of your transcript and one Letter of Recommendation****

Grade Point Average: _____

High School Attended: _____ Year Graduated: _____

College/University Attended: _____ Year Graduated: _____

Years of Music Studied: _____ Instrument(s) _____

Performance Experience: _____

List academic awards: _____

List awards received that indicate the quality of your musical performance: _____

List local, state, national organizations you were a member of and any offices held (musical, social, academic, military, church, community, etc.): _____

List your high school/college volunteer contributions (community, school, church, etc.):

Your Intended Major: _____

ESSAY: (Must be typed, double spaced, times new roman, & 12-point font, proof-read)

In a 200-word essay, please describe your career goals and discuss how music applies to your chosen professional field and how your commitment and appreciation for music will help you achieve those goals.

***Name of Scholarship You Are applying For: _____**

Statement of Accuracy:

I certify that I have carefully answered each question and that my statements are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I hereby understand that if chosen as a recipient, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at a post-secondary institution of my choice **BEFORE** scholarship funds can be awarded. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Women's Committee and its mission.

Printed Name _____, _____, _____

Signature

Date

**Women's Committee Petersburg Symphony (WCPSO)
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECK LIST**

Before mailing, please place a check mark inside each box below to make sure you have included a completed application and all required documents.

- Official Copy of your high school transcript and college (if you are dually enrolled)**
- Official copy of your college/university transcript(s)**
- One Letter of Recommendation from any one of the following qualified professionals: Private Music Instructor, PSO Orchestra Director; high school band director, high school orchestra director, chair of high school music department; college band director, college orchestra director, or the chair or dean of college music department**
- Fully completed and signed application with name of specific scholarship you are applying for**
- Your original 200-word Essay that is typed, double spaced, Times New Roman Font with 12-Point Font Size, and proof-read**
- Mail Completed packet no later than the first Friday in April**
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ORCHESTRA SCHOLARSHIP THE F. NATHANIEL GATLIN SCHOLARSHIP

The F. Nathaniel Gatlin Scholarship, funded and administered by the Women's Committee for the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra (WCPSO), is given in memory of the late F. Nathaniel Gatlin, founder and director of the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra to a person who shows a commitment to and devotion to the art of instrumental music and enrichment of the community through music so nobly demonstrated by Dr. Gatlin.

Normally, The F. Gatlin Scholarship (\$1,000) is awarded annually. However, if there is no qualified applicant any given year, then the Lillian Edwards Scholarship (\$1,000) will be awarded to a qualified applicant that year instead of the Gatlin Scholarship.

The F. Nathaniel Gatlin Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors, undergraduates, graduates and post-graduate students **who are active members of the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra**. The recipient will be announced during the intermission of the season's final concert, usually in late April.

GUIDELINES

1. Submission of a complete, signed, and dated application that contains an original 200-word essay (typed, double spaced, 12-point font size using Times New Roman font).
2. **One** Letter of Recommendation from **any one** of the following qualified professionals: Private Music Instructor, PSO Orchestra Director; high school band director, high school orchestra director, chair of high school music department; college band director, college orchestra director, or the chair or dean of college music department.
3. Submission of **an official transcript** from your high school and a college transcript (if you are dually enrolled)
4. Submission of **official transcript(s)** if you are a college student, a graduate student or a post-graduate student.
5. Required GPA is 2.5 and above.
6. **Applicant must be currently playing with the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra.**
7. Scholarships will be given without regard to the ethnic backgrounds or gender of the applicant.
8. Applications must be postmarked before or no later than the first Friday in April of each year.
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THE LILLIAN S. EDWARDS SCHOLARSHIP

The Lillian S. Edwards Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is funded and administered by the Women's Committee for the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra (WCPSO). This scholarship is awarded to an active member of the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra. It is given in Memory of the late Lillian S. Edwards, founder and director of the Youth String Program. Mrs. Edwards was also a long time and hardworking member of the Women's Committee for the Petersburg Symphony.

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THE EDITH COLLIER SCHOLARSHIP

The Edith Collier Scholarship in the amount of \$500 is funded and administered by the Women's Committee for the Petersburg Symphony Orchestra (WCPSO). This scholarship is awarded in Memory of the late Edith Collier. Mrs. Collier was the first president of the Women's Committee for the Petersburg Symphony and worked tirelessly on behalf of the symphony and community at large.

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3. Submission of an official transcript from your high school and a college transcript (if you are dually enrolled)
4. Submission of official transcript(s) if you are a college student, a graduate student or a post-graduate student.
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6. Applicant must show a consistent commitment to the pursuit of musical development.
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THE ELIZABETH COOPER SCHOLARSHIP

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THE ELEANOR RITCHINGS SCHOLARSHIP

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