



**THE HNATYSHYN FOUNDATION
DEVELOPING ARTISTS GRANTS 2010**

CLASSICAL VOCAL PERFORMANCE (GRADUATE LEVEL)

“The Hnatyshyn Foundation seeks to enrich the legacy of Canadian art by directly aiding exceptionally gifted individuals working in all disciplines – fully reflecting Canada’s linguistic and cultural diversity – while heightening public awareness of the role of private benefactors in nurturing talent and strengthening the bonds which unite us as a nation.”

The Right Honourable Ramon John Hnatyshyn (1934-2002)

Background

The Hnatyshyn Foundation was established in 1995 by the late Right Honourable Ramon John Hnatyshyn, Canada’s twenty-fourth Governor General (1990-1995). A federally registered charity, The Hnatyshyn Foundation’s goals are to help emerging and established artists in all disciplines with their schooling and training, as well as promoting to the Canadian public the importance of the arts in our society.

Our Mission

With a national scope and embracing the entire spectrum of the creative and performing arts, The Hnatyshyn Foundation affirms the vital role of the arts and artists in strengthening communities and enriching Canada’s heritage.

Our mission will be accomplished by assisting exceptionally talented individual artists begin their careers, expand their skills or create new works or programs in circumstances where alternative funding is often not available. Special projects that go to the heart of the Foundation’s mandate and encourage partnerships will also be undertaken from time to time.

Developing Artists Grants

The Hnatyshyn Foundation’s Developing Artists Grants program is designed to bridge funding gaps in existing programs, and provide assistance to the most promising young Canadian performing artists who are undertaking advanced studies in an educational institution, performing arts training institution or with a recognized teacher.

The institution or teacher must nominate the candidate, and in any year may submit only one nominee. Nominees will be identified by the institution or teacher on the basis of exceptional promise for a distinguished career in performance, and may be nominated by only one institution or teacher. A panel of arts advisors appointed by the Foundation will then adjudicate the performance work of the nominees anonymously. Candidates who have previously received the grant are not eligible.

Eight grants of \$10,000 each will be awarded in 2009, one each in the fields of classical music (orchestral instrument), classical music (piano), classical voice, jazz, classical ballet, contemporary dance, acting (English theatre) and acting (French theatre).

The grant must be applied towards tuition, materials, and/or room and board. In the event the student chooses not to attend the nominating institution or fails to complete a full year of study, the grant must be returned to The Hnatyshyn Foundation in its entirety or on a pro rata basis.



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- Number of Awards:** One annual grant will be awarded.
- Value of Grant:** **\$10,000**
- Eligibility Criteria:**
- Canadian citizen or permanent Canadian resident (holders of study permits or temporary resident visas are not eligible).
 - Accepted in a full-time study or training program **at the graduate level**, in a university or a qualified music training institution or with a recognized teacher, anywhere in the world, to study classical vocal performance in September 2010.
 - Under 30 years of age.
 - Nomination by the institution or teacher.
 - Previous recipients of this grant are not eligible.

Nomination Procedure:

Universities, recognized music training institutions and teachers that offer **graduate-level instruction** in classical vocal performance are invited to nominate one student as a candidate for this grant. Documentation supporting this nomination should include:

- completed nomination form;
- curriculum vitae and/or artist's statement (see attached notes);
- A proposed course of study;
- A CD (3 copies) of three (3) musical selections of contrasting styles or periods recorded during the last 12 months (see notes);
- educational transcripts indicating successful completion of an undergraduate degree or diploma in classical vocal performance;
- letter from the institution or teacher stating how the candidate has demonstrated exceptional promise (see notes);
- high-resolution-head shot.

Nomination Deadline:

Students undertaking graduate studies in September 2010 will be eligible.

Completed nomination forms must be received by The Hnatyshyn Foundation by April 23, 2010.

Successful candidates and their nominating institutions or teachers will be notified in mid July 2010. No jury comments will be provided. The Hnatyshyn Foundation will retain all materials submitted.

INCOMPLETE FILES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

For more information, or to submit nomination materials by mail:

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NOMINATION FORM

PART A (to be completed by the institution or teacher)

I, _____ (name) _____ (position) (e.g. Dean of School; Director/Chair of Program)
of _____ (Name & Address of Institution)
Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____
nominate _____ (student's name) for
The Hnatyshyn Foundation Developing Artist Grant for classical vocal performance – 2010.
Signed: _____ Date: _____
Please enclose a letter describing how this student has demonstrated “exceptional promise”.
<i>N.B.: Each institution or teacher may recommend only <u>ONE</u> student.</i>

PART B (to be completed by the nominee)

Name : _____ (given) _____ (surname)
Address: _____
Home phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____
Citizenship: _____ Social Insurance No. _____
Date of Birth: _____ Years of voice training: _____
Name of teacher, or program/institution you plan to attend: _____
Expected date of FULL-TIME enrolment: _____
<i>N.B.: candidates may be nominated by only <u>ONE</u> institution or teacher</i>

Please provide the following:

- curriculum vitae and/ or artist's statement;
- proposed course of study, with beginning and ending dates;
- CD (3copies) of three (3) musical selections of contrasting styles or periods recorded during the last 12 months;
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- letters of reference;
- high-resolution head shot.



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MUSICAL SELECTIONS

(Please complete and include in nomination package.)

Composer: _____

Opera: _____

Aria: _____

Composer: _____

Opera: _____

Aria: _____

Composer: _____

Opera: _____

Aria: _____



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CANDIDATE AGREEMENT

I _____ agree to comply with the following requirements:

Name of Candidate

- Any funds awarded will be used solely for the purpose for which the grant was approved, unless written permission is obtained from The Hnatyshyn Foundation to vary this purpose.
- Any funds not so used will be returned to The Hnatyshyn Foundation.
- I agree not to hold The Hnatyshyn Foundation, its employees or agents responsible should the nomination or supporting material be lost or damaged.
- I agree to accept the decision of The Hnatyshyn Foundation as final. I further agree to allow my name, photograph and personal information to be used for the purpose of publicizing The Hnatyshyn Foundation Developing Artists Grants program.
- I authorize The Hnatyshyn Foundation to request and receive information pertaining to my enrolment status at my post-secondary institution or place of study.
- I authorize the release and exchange of personal information by and between The Hnatyshyn Foundation and any government departments, boards or institutions as may be required to verify the information I have provided to The Hnatyshyn Foundation and for use in research and statistical analysis in program evaluation.
- Excerpts of no longer than 30 seconds from the materials embodying my performance and submitted in this nomination may be used on the Foundation website in promotion of the Developing Artist Grants.
- I agree that the documents described in the program guidelines under “Nomination Procedure” form part of this nomination.
- I have reviewed this nomination and accompanying documents and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained herein is true and complete in every respect.

Signature of Candidate

Date

Signature of parent or guardian if candidate is under 18 years of age



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NOTES ON SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Curriculum vitae

In addition to the usual information, the curriculum vitae should include details of voice training the candidate has received, any awards or prizes for musical excellence, and any significant public performances by the candidate.

Letter of support

The letter of support from the nominating institution or teacher should be no less than one page in length and no more than three. It should clearly indicate the candidate's strengths as a classical singer and the referee's evaluation of his/her potential for a distinguished career in performance. Please note that excerpts from the letter of support may be used by the Foundation in a press release announcing the grant winners.

CD recording

The CD recording must be playable on a standard CD player and must not contain any visual material. Since the candidates will be adjudicated anonymously, the name of the candidate must not be electronically encoded in the disc. The list of the musical selections performed (composer, title of work and aria) must be provided, in the order that they appear on the disc. If the recording of a public performance is provided audience applause should be reduced to a minimum.

Apply Online

To apply online, please click on the following link: <http://rjhf.myreviewroom.com/>
From the drop-down menu, please click on the award category in which you would like to submit a nomination; then click on the 'Sign Up' button. If you would like to give access to the nominee to submit portions of the application, click on the 'Add Member' button on the right hand side of your account page. Type their email address in the box that appears – then click 'Add Member'. An email will be sent to the candidate inviting them to submit the rest of their application. Please ensure that the settings allow 'Full Control'.

Please upload audio files in MP3, WMA or WAV format.

Please upload video files in WMV, QuickTime or AVI format.

**N.B.: Candidates may be nominated in more than one year but may receive the grant only once.
Completed nomination forms and required materials must be received by April 23, 2010.**

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