



## **THE 2026 FREDERIC AND SUSAN WINTHROP YOUNG ARTIST AWARD**

### **~An Invitation to Rising Senior Music Students from the North Shore~**

The Orchestra on the Hill invites eligible student musicians to apply for the 2027 Frederic and Susan Winthrop Young Artist Award. The award includes a \$1,000 grant, an opportunity to perform with the Orchestra as a featured soloist, and a chance to co-create and premiere an original musical work at *Harvest in Harmony* on January 23, 2027, at the Ipswich Community House. Award recipients will receive guidance and support from Orchestra members throughout the process, including feedback and recommendations from leading professional performers and composers in the greater Boston area.

This award is made possible through the generous financial support of its sponsors, Frederic and Susan Winthrop.

#### **Eligibility:**

1. Available to a rising senior musician attending a North Shore (MA) high school - or - a North Shore resident who attends an independent school or is homeschooled.
2. Submission of a **completed application form**, including a Personal Statement (no more than one page, minimum 300 words) describing how this experience and the grant award will support your musical goals, impact your future, and contribute to the broader artistic community.
3. Submission of a **performance audio file** of no more than two minutes – MP3 format.
4. Provide **two letters of recommendation**, including at least one from your current music teacher or high school music director.
5. Be available for at least two sessions with the composer during the summer to develop and discuss ideas for a new musical work. Dates are flexible.
6. Be available for at least two evening rehearsals, the evening dress rehearsal, and the *Harvest in Harmony* concert performance with The Orchestra on the Hill.
  - Rehearsals: Monday -1/18, Wednesday- 1/20, or Thursday – 1/21 (must attend two)
  - Dress rehearsal: Friday - 1/22
  - *Harvest in Harmony* concert: Saturday - 1/23
7. Submission of a personal profile (biography and promotional photos) and agreement to be recorded during the concert.

#### **Submission Instructions:**

Please email all application materials as a single Word or PDF document with “Young Artist Award” in the subject line to “theorchestraonthehill@gmail.com”.

**Application Deadline: June 8th, 2026 by 11 pm. Late applications will not be considered.**