



LOU WILLIAMSON JAZZ AWARD

Deadline: May 23, 2024

Number: 1

Value: \$2000

The Lou Williamson Scholarship Fund was established in 2012 by Chris and Eve Millington in memory of percussionist Lou Williamson, a gifted performer, former McGill instructor and highly respected music administrator. **The Lou Williamson Scholarship Fund and Victoria Jazz Society, administrator of the award, are pleased to announce the Lou Williamson Jazz Award.** The purpose of the \$2000 cash award is to encourage a talented high school student to continue their music studies in jazz.

Rules and Criteria

- The award is for an outstanding **graduating** senior secondary student from Greater Victoria or the Gulf Islands (School Districts 61, 62, 63 and 64), currently enrolled in a public or private secondary school or other recognized instrumental jazz programme in the Greater Victoria and Gulf Islands area. Vocalists are not eligible for this award.
- The completed application must be addressed to the Victoria Jazz Society no later than May 23, 2024.
- The application may be submitted in person or by mail to the Victoria Jazz Society office at 977 Alston St, Victoria, BC V9A 3S5. Or by email to info@jazzvictoria.ca, with a subject line that includes "Lou Williamson Scholarship Award".
- Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- The successful applicant will be notified and receive the scholarship in June.

Procedure:

This completed application form must be accompanied by the following items:

1. Explain, in a personal letter how the applicant self-evaluates his/her musical, academic and community strengths. State how the scholarship money will be used (plans for future studies and intended career path). Elaborate on any pertinent awards, commendations, or special information regarding his/her recent (past two years) musical experience.
2. Send a good quality CD or video recording containing jazz performances demonstrating musicality and technical ability on a musical instrument. The recorded information should be no more than 10 minutes in length and include a ballad and an up-tempo selection or a single piece including both styles. If performing on more than one instrument, please submit a recording for each. Label each recording with the musician's name, the name of the piece and the composer's name.
3. Include at least two letters of recommendation, one written by the applicant's current music teacher. These letters should explain why the applicant would be a good candidate for the scholarship.



LOU WILLIAMSON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant Name: _____

School student is currently attending: _____

Grade student is currently in: _____

Principal Instrument / Program: _____

Additional Instruments: _____

Birthdate (yyyy/mm/dd): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Postal Code:** _____

Phone (Home/Cell/Work): _____

Email address: _____

How many years has the student studied music? _____

Where has the student studied jazz music? _____

The Lou Williamson Scholarship Fund Website:

<https://louwilliamsonscholarshipfund.ca/>

Lou Williamson featured in Sing-Sing-Sing:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2FQ1IBBcUh4>