Homer and Peggy Clark Scholarship Award in Violin

South Shore Conservatory is pleased to be the recipient of a special gift which will be made available on an annual loan basis (October to June) to a South Shore Conservatory and/or BaYS violin student in grade 9-12. If you fall within this age range AND meet criteria 1 OR 2 below, you are invited to submit an application at this time.

The intent of this gift, currently valued at $2500, is that it serves as an incentive to motivate a Conservatory music student to achieve their potential as a violinist.

Parameters Surrounding the Annual Award of the Clark Violins

In order to be considered, you should meet the guidelines below and receive your teacher’s recommendation as part of the attached application. In the event that more than one nominee meets the parameters outlined below, an additional step of application will be requested (as noted below).

The String Department Chair will make a decision as to which student, associated with either or both South Shore Conservatory or the Bay Youth Symphony, will be offered the use of the violin for one year. For the coming year, which runs from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, we will accept applications through Monday, June 10, 2013. Winners will be announced on June 24, 2013.

Recognizing the value of the instrument, in order to be considered, a student must be entering at least the 7th grade. Any student already owning an instrument of similar or higher value will not be considered.

In order to be considered, a student must return the Clark Violin Loan Application Form attached.

The following parameters will govern precedence for student selection in the following order:

1. Any student who is enrolled or commits to enroll with both South Shore Conservatory for private lessons and with Bay Youth Symphony (BaYS) will receive precedence – regardless of grade (grade 7-12).
2. If no candidate(s) is/are identified as above, then all other worthy students enrolled at the Conservatory will receive precedence based on age.
3. If a Conservatory student is not identified as above, then any BaYS violinist will receive consideration.
4. When more than one student meets the criteria in any one of the categories above, musical achievement, commitment and effort as summarized by the student in the letter of application will weigh into the selection process.
5. In the event that multiple qualified candidates are identified in accordance with item 4, financial need may also weigh into the decision.

The recipient student would be required to sign a ‘receipt of violin loan’ acceptance letter in advance of the loan, for the instrument.

The award will be made on annual basis, and in the event that a student has not yet graduated, that student may re-apply in consecutive years.

The instrument will be loaned on an annual basis. If the student for any reason discontinues private lessons and/or participation in BaYS (in accordance with the parameters connected to the award), the Conservatory must be notified within 14 days and the violin returned during the 14 day notification period.
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**Application Form**

*Please fill out the form below and submit it to String Department Chair Phil Rush by Monday, June 10, 2013.*

Name of Student: ___________________________      DOB: ______________

Address: _______________________________ Phone: ___________ e-mail _______

Are you currently enrolled at South Shore Conservatory? ___
Do you plan to enroll at the Conservatory for the upcoming school year? ___
Are you currently enrolled in BaYS? ___
Do you plan to enroll in BaYS for the upcoming school year? ___

Name of private teacher: __________________________

Name of public or private school currently attending (or note home-schooled): __________________

Name of public or private school attending next year: _____________________

How long have you studied the violin? __________
How long have you studied at the Conservatory? ____ And/or played with BaYS? ____

Is the instrument you are currently playing valued under $2500.00?

Please list below any other music activities/ensembles in which you participate, awards and/or accomplishments (typed attachment acceptable):


Please explain why you are interested in being selected for the *Homer and Peggy Clark Scholarship Award in Violin* and/or how this award might contribute to your education (typed attachment acceptable): (175 words or less recommended).


**Private Teacher Approval:**

By signing below, I confirm that the information provided in this application is accurate and I recommend that my student is worthy to receive consideration for this award both with regard to musical commitment and responsibility in handling an instrument of value.

Teacher Name: ___________________________      Date: ______________
