



School of Music

University of Missouri



Friends of Music

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About the Friends of Music

In 1978, a dedicated group of music lovers formed the Friends of Music in order to provide scholarship funding for students in the University of Missouri School of Music. Since then, supporters of the Friends of Music campaigns have contributed over \$1.5 million for scholarships. The Friends of Music 2012 scholarship campaign has a goal of \$80,000, to be used to attract the next generation of outstanding music students to MU. With your contribution to this year's campaign, you publicly recognize the importance of the programs of the School of Music and help students realize their dreams of studying music at the University of Missouri.

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The University of Missouri School of Music prepares students to make meaningful contributions in the world as performers, composers, teachers, and scholars. Its notable alumni include Grammy award-winning singer/songwriter Sheryl Crow, Canadian Brass founder Eugene Watts, and



America's Got Talent winner Neal E. Boyd, as well as members of major orchestras and opera companies, arts administrators, and leaders in the field of music education. Currently, over 290 MU students are pursuing undergraduate and graduate degrees in performance, music education, composition, conducting, music history, music theory, and pedagogy. Major ensembles include the University Philharmonic, Marching Mizzou, three concert bands, two jazz bands, five choral groups, and Show-Me Opera. Special programs include the Mizzou New Music Initiative, which supports student composers and new music performers, and includes a major summer festival and the Creating Original Music Project (COMP), an outreach program directed at composers in grades K-12. Music students enjoy extensive interaction with the School of Music's distinguished faculty, comprising 38 full-time and 18 part-time members. The School of Music is also home to several community programs serving Columbia and the Mid-Missouri region, including the Community Music Program, the Missouri String Project, and the Missouri Youth Orchestra.

For more information, visit music.missouri.edu.



I am a sophomore Vocal Performance major, and my experience at the University of Missouri has been incredible. I have been blessed at MU with great faculty that have helped me improve dramatically since I arrived last fall. It would have been impossible for me to attend this renowned university without the help from the music scholarships funded by Friends of Music. I truly believe that my experiences here at MU have not only made me a better musician, but also a better human being. Thank you so much for your generosity that has allowed me to pursue my dream and become a part of this large, close-knit family that is the MU School of Music.

– Brandon Jones
Class of 2014, Vocal Performance



Attending MU and the School of Music was just what I needed to grow musically and as a person. I've made many friends here, people who share my interests and care about music as much as I do. All of the faculty are great to work with—they care about their students, and they have so much knowledge and experience. I am very grateful to those who work so hard to provide students like me with Friends of Music scholarships. It truly makes a difference!

– Tamara Kitchen
Class of 2014, Violin Performance



I am a sophomore Music Education major at Mizzou, and I would certainly not be able to afford the great opportunities I have had at Mizzou without my Friends of Music scholarship. I am from Colorado, and out-of-state fees are very expensive. My scholarship from Friends of Music has allowed me to come to Mizzou, where I have participated in the Symphonic Wind Ensemble and University Philharmonic, as well as Marching Mizzou. I have also had opportunities to play in flute masterclasses and in a community orchestra, which have definitely increased my musicality and playing ability. I am very grateful for the scholarship that has allowed me to attend my number one choice for a University.

– Erin Miller
Class of 2014, Music Education

Scholarship Facts

- In 2011-12, over 50 students received Friends of Music scholarships, ranging from several hundred to several thousand dollars.
- Scholarships are awarded to students based on their musical ability, their musical and academic record, and the School of Music's needs to maintain a balanced program.
- Scholarships enable the School of Music to be competitive in attracting the best and brightest to MU.

As a contributor to the Friends of Music, you will receive:

- The satisfaction of helping talented students receive a music education at MU.
- The School of Music biennial newsletter, *Music at Mizzou*, with a list of donors to the Friends of Music campaign.
- Recognition in the annual Chancellor's Concert program.

A pledge received before June 30, 2012, will ensure that your name appears on the list of contributors in the 2012-13 University Concert Series programs.

Giving Levels

\$4,000	Angel
\$2,000	Saint
\$1,000	Benefactor
\$500	Sponsor
\$250	Donor
\$150	Supporter
\$100	Patron
\$50	Sustaining Member

All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. The Friends of Music is organized within the College of Arts and Science Development Office at the University of Missouri.

Director's Circle

Formed in 2010, the Friends of Music Director's Circle, a group of leadership donors within the Friends of Music, actively support the School of Music's scholarship funds. Director's Circle members understand the importance of supporting student musicians—this is truly an investment in the future of music!

Any Friends of Music donor contributing annually at the \$500 level or above automatically becomes a Director's Circle member. Contributions to the Friends of Music Scholarship Fund or one of the Friends of Music Endowment Funds qualify donors for Circle membership.

Director's Circle members receive invitations to several unique events per year, each, of course, with some musical theme. These are opportunities for fellowship with other music lovers and a great opportunity to connect newcomers and those new to the Friends of Music with the MU School of Music.

Invitations to Circle events will be sent to all Friends of Music donors who have contributed at the \$500 level or above during the current and previous calendar years.

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