

## Verification/Payment

With appropriate documentation, scholarship payments will be made directly to the private teacher, seller, or sponsoring group. With prior approval of the MSL Vice President for Youth or the Scholarship Chairman, and with proper documentation, reimbursement can be made, except for lessons. No reimbursement will be made for lessons. MSL will not pay for missed lessons, for a lesson longer than one hour in duration, or for more than one lesson per week.

Payment for music lessons is on a monthly basis and requires the submission of expense forms to the Vice President for Youth.

MSL typically pays 50% - 75% of the cost of each lesson. The student pays the remaining amount. Each grant will be for a designated period of time. Unused monies revert to MSL.

If recipients do not utilize award funds and fail to notify MSL with reasonable explanation, future awards may be denied.



[www.montgomerysymphony.org](http://www.montgomerysymphony.org)

## Montgomery Symphony League

Formed in 1982, the Montgomery Symphony League works in partnership with the Montgomery Symphony Association to foster, promote and increase the public's appreciation and knowledge of music by providing educational activities for youth and adults of the River Region.

The League provides volunteer support for projects and activities that make the MSO's season possible. The League sponsors and administers the Montgomery Youth Orchestra, administers the Blount-Slawson Young Artists Competition, and raises and administers scholarship funds for area youth and for members of the MSO. The League also plays a leadership role in the MSO's annual concerts for all Montgomery-area sixth graders and provides hospitality for orchestra members throughout the year.

Parents of MYO members are encouraged to join the Montgomery Symphony League. For information, contact the MSO office at 334-240-4004 or by email at:

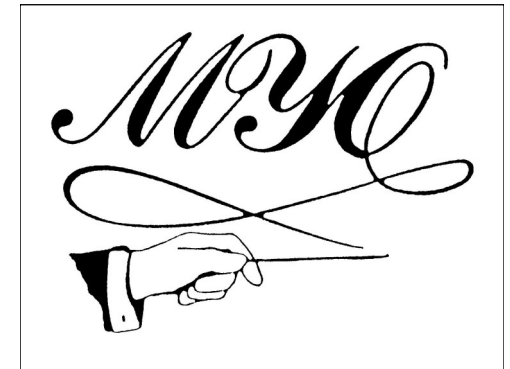
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Annual dues for League membership are \$30, payable to Montgomery Symphony League.

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# The Montgomery Youth Orchestra Scholarship Program

*Sponsored by*  
**The Montgomery  
Symphony League**



## Purpose

The Montgomery Youth Orchestra funding for scholarships was established by Montgomery Symphony Organization members Shannon Gratland, Clare Weil, and Helen Steineker. This fund, designated the Rose Fund, is maintained and administered by the Montgomery Symphony League (MSL).

MSL scholarships are available for assistance with the following:

- Summer music camps
- Music lessons
- Purchase of instruments, accessories, or music



## Scholarship Grants

Scholarships are usually for partial, not full, financial aid.

The number and dollar value of scholarships given may vary from year to year depending on MSL funds available. In all cases, the decision of Montgomery Symphony League is final.

## Eligibility

To apply for a Montgomery Symphony League Scholarship, a student must be a member of the Montgomery Youth Orchestra (MYO) who is a minimum of 14 years of age and a maximum of 18 years of age on the application deadline date. After a membership period of at least three months, a member in “good standing” is eligible to make application.

Good standing is determined by such factors as:

- Attending rehearsals regularly
- Displaying a courteous attitude
- Exhibiting a cooperative spirit
- Handling Montgomery Youth Orchestra materials in a responsible way.

Grants for summer study will be considered only for students who are planning to play with the MYO the following fall.

Grants pertain only to instrument(s) which the student plays in the Montgomery Youth Orchestra.

In the course of a scholarship year (October 1– September 30), an MYO member who also plays with the Montgomery Symphony Orchestra may seek a grant through either group, however, not through both groups.



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## Application Process

Applications (available at MYO rehearsals and at [www.montgomerysymphony.org](http://www.montgomerysymphony.org)) must be completed and returned to the Symphony League Vice President for Youth by the stated deadlines. A separate form must be submitted for each award period. There are three periods:

### **First Period: October 1—January 31**

Deadline for first period applications: October 15.

### **Second Period: February 1—May 31**

Deadline for second period applications: January 15

### **Third Period: June 1—September 30**

Deadline for third period applications: May 1

Notification of scholarship awards for the First Period will be made by October 31. Notification of awards for the Second and Third Periods will be made on or before the grant period start date.

Applications will be accepted only for future events. It is the student's responsibility to make all arrangements regarding the activity for which a scholarship is sought.

If seeking a scholarship for summer music camp, the student must have already applied for admission to the camp and sought assistance from the camp's financial aid program, if available.

MYO members may bring to the attention of the Symphony League Vice President for Youth any special financial needs not covered by these guidelines.