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2012 JOHN LENNON SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS OFFICIAL RULES

1. Applicants must be a current student or alumnus/alumna of a U.S. college or university.
2. The submitted work must be an original song with lyrics accompanied by whatever instrumentation is chosen by the applicant. Both lyrics and music must be original and not based on any prior work.
3. Applicants may submit only one song to the competition.
4. Applicants must have reached their 17th birthday as of April 13, 2012 and be less than 25 years of age as of that date. In the case of a joint or co-written song, all applicants must meet all qualification requirements and each co-writer must submit a completed application with the entry which must be submitted in one mailing.
5. Former winners of the John Lennon Scholarship Award are not eligible to enter the 2012 competition. Songwriters who have previously received an Honorable Mention in the competition may enter the 2012 competition. The applicant must warrant that he or she has not assigned any rights in the submitted work to a major music publisher or major record label.
6. The entry may be submitted either by mail or by email. Please follow the directions at the bottom of the application to submit your entry.
7. If the winning work was written by two or more qualifying applicants (e.g., a composer and lyricist), the scholarship award will be divided equally between them.
8. Completed applications must be submitted by April 13, 2012. Late entries will not be considered.
9. Three scholarship awards will be available for the 2012 competition, one for \$10,000 and two for \$5,000. The Foundation reserves the right to make no award, or to make fewer than the three possible awards, or to award prizes totaling less than the full amount. The BMI Foundation shall have the right (but shall have no obligation) to license up to three public performances of a winning composition and authorize appropriate musical arrangements to be made for such performances. The BMI Foundation shall also have the right to post a recording of any winning composition on the bmi.com and bmifoundation.org websites and to authorize the reproduction and distribution on CD of no more than twelve (12) copies of each winning work. The BMI Foundation reserves the right to limit the total number of entries in the 2012 competition to the first 5,000 entries received. All other rights under the copyright law remain vested in the composer and lyricist.



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2012 JOHN LENNON SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS OFFICIAL APPLICATION

IF THE SUBMITTED SONG IS CO-WRITTEN, A SEPARATE APPLICATION FOR EACH WRITER MUST ACCOMPANY THE SUBMISSION

APPLICANT SHOULD CIRCLE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS. I am:

- a. The sole writer and composer
- b. The sole composer of the music
- c. The joint composer of the music
- d. The sole author of the lyric
- e. The joint author of the lyric

NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS:

(street or post office) (city) (state) (zip)

TELEPHONE: _____ EMAIL-ADDRESS: _____

APPLICANT'S DATE OF BIRTH: _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE):

NAME OF SCHOOL: _____

TITLE OF SONG: _____

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP? (i.e., flyer, word of mouth, teacher, etc.):

I also warrant that the song I am submitting to the John Lennon Scholarship competition is an **original** work, that I have the full right and authority to enter this composition in this competition, and that I have not assigned any rights to this work to a major music publisher or a major music label. I have read the rules of the competition and confirm that I have abided by and agree to abide by such rules and by the decision of the judges of the competition.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian if applicant is under 18 years of age as of the date of the submission

CONFIRMATION BY A FACULTY MEMBER (applications that have not been signed by a faculty member will be disqualified)

I CONFIRM THAT THE APPLICANT LISTED ABOVE IS A CURRENT STUDENT OR ALUMNUS/ALUMNA AT THE COLLEGE LISTED ABOVE.

Signature of Faculty Member

Title

Name of College/University

Print Faculty Member Name

Date



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Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- _____ 1. Current student or alumnus/alumna at a U.S. college or university
- _____ 2. Between the ages of 17 and 24 as of April 13, 2012
- _____ 3. No rights to the submitted work may have been assigned to a major music publisher or to a major record label.
- _____ 3. Is not a prior BMI Foundation John Lennon Scholarship winner (excluding Honorable Mentions)

The submitted materials must include:

- _____ 1. A CD or MP3 of a song written by the applicant(s) with original words and music. CD and MP3 should be clearly labeled with the title of the song and not indicate the name of the applicant.
- _____ 2. Three (3) typed copies of the lyric. If submitting by email, 1 copy of the lyric in a PDF format
- _____ 3. Fully completed application (one for each co-writer of the song), which must be confirmed by a faculty member (from any department of their college). Emailed applications must be scanned as a PDF format, not as a word document.

THE APPLICATION MUST BE:

- _____ 1. Postmarked or emailed by midnight on April 13, 2012
- _____ 2. Complete (including all materials listed above) and sent to either:

BMI Foundation, Inc
John Lennon Scholarship Competition
7 World Trade Center
250 Greenwich Street
New York, NY 10007-0030

OR

JohnLennon@bmifoundation.org