

Bob Kirby Scholarship for Folk Music Application

INSTRUCTIONS:

To apply for the Bob Kirby Scholarship, please do the following:

- Complete the Application form.
- Write a brief description of your musical interest.

This application must be received at the following address by: **MARCH 20, 2023**

**The Columbus Folk Music Society c/o
Linda McDonald
444 Oakland Pk Ave
Columbus, Ohio 43214**

Interviews of the top 5 applicants will be made before April 1st.

The winner will be notified by APRIL 6, 2023.

NAME OF STUDENT _____

GRADE IN SCHOOL _____ AGE _____

School _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

Parent EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE of Parent / Caregiver _____

THE BOB KIRBY SCHOLARSHIP FOR FOLK MUSIC 2023

Folk music represents a significant part of the American heritage. It is our goal to perpetuate interest in this music. The recipient of this award will have an opportunity to learn about the folk music tradition, make music of his or her own, and have fun with people who like to do the same.

HISTORY: Bob Kirby was a member and firm friend of The Columbus Folk Music Society, the Shamrock Club, and The Dublin Irish Festival. Bob supported folk music in central Ohio and believed in the importance of honoring and preserving musical traditions. In harmony with our mission, The Columbus Folk Music Society has established The Bob Kirby Scholarship for Folk Music in his memory.

PURPOSE:

- To assist young musicians from the central Ohio area by offering opportunities they may otherwise not experience
- To enhance musical skills
- To pursue a greater knowledge of, and appreciation for, folk music.
- To offer performance opportunities

Fund Management is by the Treasurer of The Columbus Folk Music Society.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Requirements for applying:

- Open to Students in grades 3-12
- Submit a letter explaining your interest in music, your musical goals, what musical instrument you are interested in playing (or play) and if you sing.

An interview will be held with the top 5 applicants.

BENEFITS PROVIDED BY THE SCHOLARSHIP:

- Free household admission to The Central Ohio Folk Festival 2023, May 6-7 at Highbanks Metro Park
- \$40 for meals at the festival
- An opportunity to perform at The Central Ohio Folk Festival 2023 (not required)
- \$500.00 award to be used toward the purchase of an instrument or private lessons with a teacher of your choice
- The CFMS monthly newsletter “A Different Strummer” will be sent monthly to the winner.

Disclaimer: This award and the criteria are subject to change at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee. For additional information contact us by email:lindamcdonald@columbusfolkmusicsociety.org