

# Ozone Music Gifting Program Application

Thank you for your interest in the Ozone Music Education Foundation instrument gifting program. The Ozone Music Education Foundation launched the Ozone Music Gifting (OMG) program in 2019 as a community service project to loan musical instruments to students between the ages of 10 and 18. We recognize that for some families, the cost of obtaining a quality musical instrument can be prohibitive, and we would like to help by providing an instrument to deserving and dedicated student in the pursuit of music education. Instruments are loaned to students according to need based criteria, with preference given to those families who might not otherwise be able to provide an instrument for their child without this support. Students may earn ownership of the instrument by successfully completing one year of the program.

Instrument loans will be granted based on the Foundation's resources, the relative need of the family and/or the willingness by the student to learn an instrument or to expand on their current level of music proficiency. For the application period spanning January 2019 to January 2020, the Foundation will only loan acoustic guitars and ukuleles. This application form is designed to help us make these determinations. All information in the application is held in the strictest confidence. Before applying please carefully read and consider the eligibility requirements and the terms.

## **Eligibility**

- Students receiving a loan instrument must be enrolled in a licensed public, private, or parochial school or homeschooled, and be between the ages of 10 and 18.
- Students receiving the loan instrument must participate in a school, church or community program, alternative instruction, private or group lessons and/or attend at least half of the music lessons provided by the Foundation free of charge.

- Above all, students must have a desire and interest to learn an instrument or expand on their current skill level.

### **Program Terms**

- The Ozone Music Education Foundation retains ownership of the instrument while it is being used by the student. Instruments are loaned to the student free of charge. Failure to comply with the terms of the loan contract or failure to return the instrument to the Foundation by its specific due date will result in TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT AND REPOSSESSION OF THE INSTRUMENT.
- Transfer of instrument ownership is passed from the Foundation to the student after the student has successfully completed one year of the OMG program (attended OMG sponsored lessons or shown an increased in proficiency of the instrument, and maintained the instrument in good working condition), and is committed to learning and growing as a musician.
- Students and their parent or legal guardian must submit an application to the Foundation for program consideration. Applications are accepted year-round. Decisions are made by the Ozone Music Education Foundation Board of Directors. You will be notified of a decision, by email, within 60 days of submitting.
- The student and parent or legal guardian must enter into a contract with Foundation for the lengthen of the instrument loan. Contract terms are for one year, with additional annual renewals possible following an inspection of the instrument by the student's mentor, teacher, or a Foundation board member.
- The student and parent or legal guardian ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED FROM LENDING OR SELLING the instrument to any other party.
- If abuse or misuse of the instrument is reported or observed, the Foundation may TERMINATE THE CONTRACT AND REPOSSESS THE INSTRUMENT.
- In the event the student stops taking music lessons, leaves his/her school music program, or decides to no longer play the instrument, the loaned instrument must be returned within 30 days.
- The Foundation will provide 10 free guitar sessions throughout the year for participating students. Each session will be a 2-hour group lesson for the duration of 4 consecutive weeks. Students must attend at least half of the sessions. Those students who cannot attend the lessons must show proof that they are receiving lessons or informal instruction from an alternative source.
- Students must attend a 2 hour "Maintenance, Tuning, Repair and Introductory" lesson provided free of charge by the Foundation before the instrument is loaned. The student is responsible for maintaining the

instrument in good condition and to pay for any repairs or adjustments to the instrument while it is on loan.

- Instrument loans and donations are limited due to funding. The Foundation cannot guarantee that all applicants will receive an instrument through this program.

## OMG APPLICATION

### CONTACT INFORMATION

Parent/Legal Guardian

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

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Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Current

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Cell

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ School

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Does the student qualify for free or reduced lunch? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

What instrument(s) do you currently play? \_\_\_\_\_

## **INSTRUMENT REQUEST**

Acoustic Guitar Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Ukulele

### ***(Check all that apply)***

\_\_\_\_ Student is enrolled in a band/orchestra/school/church music program.

Instructor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

How long has the student been in the band/school/church music program?

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\_\_\_\_ Student is taking lessons through a community-based program or private lessons. Program/Institution

name: \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor's

name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

How long has student been in lessons/this program? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ OTHER: Student is a committed musician. The student is receiving instruction from an alternative source including self-taught. Please explain their musical proficiency and/or interest.

### **NARRATIVE** (may be submitted on a separate paper)

Parent/Legal Guardian/Mentor/Sponsor: Please explain why you are applying for this program including hardships that might prevent the purchase or rental of an instrument. (500 words or less)

Student: Please explain why you want to be selected for the instrument loan program. How will it change or influence you musically? (500 word or less)

Signature of parent/guardian:

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Signature of student:

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*You will be notified within 60 days of the Foundation's decision. Thank you for applying.*