

The Hylan Family Alumni Fund for the Performing Arts Application

I. Purpose and Qualifications

The Hylan Family Alumni Fund for the Performing Arts was established by the Hylan family to encourage and support George Stevens Academy alumni who are performance majors and have chosen to study theater, dance, or musical performance.

In order to qualify for this award, candidates must:

- Be a GSA graduate.
- Have completed at least two years of a recognized program of study at any level with a 3.0 or equivalent GPA.
- Major in theater, dance, or music of any kind. If no major directly applies to the proposed project, a minor will be considered.
- Have verifiable plans to continue their study or pursue an internship or performance situation for the coming year.
- Have a specific plan for the award, such as a performance, a recording, or travel, for example, that would be completed within 10 months of notice of acceptance.

II. Funding and Process

A committee comprised of GSA faculty, staff, and community members with relevant experience will manage the application and selection process on a yearly basis. The award will be paid directly to the recipient and is intended to support some aspect of the recipient's performance career. Preference is given to theater, dance, and musical performances or projects in that order. A combination project is welcome. Amounts of the award will vary between \$500 and \$1,000 according to the budget and scope of the project.

III. Application Requirements

- Applications will be considered on a rolling basis.
- A recent transcript should accompany the application.
- A self-evaluation and project documentation (photos, reviews, advertising samples, etc.) will be required within a month of project completion.

IV. Application (must be typed)

Please provide the following:

1. Biographical information: Name, preferred gender pronouns, mailing address, phone, email, GSA class year, and post-GSA education.
2. Project proposal: In 300 words or less, please provide a detailed description of your proposed project, including your role, the timeline, and the location of the project.
3. Please submit an Artistic Statement between 250 and 500 words describing, in any order, the following:
 - Your point of view as an artist. What is your background? What motivates you to work in your chosen discipline? What kind of work are you most excited by?
 - Your next steps: What do you want the next step of your career to look like? What do you need to get there? Be as specific as you can.
 - Context: How does this project fit in with your previous work or your training? Are you making a radical change or developing a theme? (Both are positive!) How will this project help move you toward your professional or artistic goals?
4. A budget detailing costs associated with your role in this project (for example: housing, venue rental, advertising, costumes, music, equipment, salaries, etc.).

V. Submission

The application should be emailed to Rada Starkey, Director of Advancement, George Stevens Academy, at r.starkey@georgestevens.org. Transcripts may be emailed as well, or mailed to George Stevens Academy, attn: Rada Starkey, 23 Union Street, Blue Hill, ME. 04614. Feel free to contact Rada with any questions.