



Tanglin Centenary Music Scholarships

For 2024/25 Academic Year

Music Scholarships at Tanglin

Tanglin provides a nurturing environment in which aspiring musicians are able to fulfil their potential to the highest standard.

Benefits

- Fee remission (5-10% per annum) and/or free instrumental tuition on up to two instruments (up to two hours tuition per week over 30 weeks)* may apply
- Enhanced solo performance opportunities including regular Scholars' Concerts in prestigious venues, school based concerts and other events
- Prominent roles in ensembles
- The opportunity to assist with directing/coaching Junior ensembles
- Termly Music Scholars' talks on a range of important musical topics to develop a greater breadth of musical knowledge
- A music mentor who oversees and monitors the student's musical development, and supports their progress
- Enhanced access to our resident accompanist for accompaniment and performance coaching
- Opportunities to take up concerto roles when appropriate
- Access to masterclasses led by visiting musicians
- Support and assistance with preparing for the next steps on their musical journey
- Social events to embed a sense of team spirit

Prerequisites

- Eligible students entering the Senior School who demonstrate outstanding and age-appropriate musical proficiency in one or more instruments
- As a guide, a Year 10 student (depending on the instrument) should be playing at approximately Grade 6-7 standard on their instruments. For Sixth Form student entries, students should be playing at Grade 8 and beyond. Higher grades are expected on piano and string instruments.
- It is not a prerequisite to have sat ABRSM or Trinity exams.

*Lessons are to be taken with Tanglin Trust School Instrumental Teachers exclusively (i.e. students on the Scholars Programme should not have external tutors, unless by prior agreement with the Director of Music).



Expectations

- Exhibit genuine passion for music with the desire to improve and develop their talents further through workshops, seminars, masterclasses led by visiting musicians and by attending concerts organised by professional bodies in Singapore
- Commit to regular practices and at least three weekly ensembles
- Perform regularly both as a soloist and ensemble player in school concerts
- Attend and assist during concerts, even if they are not performing
- Exhibit musical leadership as a Music Scholar to promote music across the school and encourage people to attend concerts
- Display a positive attitude as a role model and inspires others to take responsibility for their actions
- Aspire to study music at GCSE level (not compulsory)
- Commit to regular meetings with their Mentor and, from time to time, the Director of Music, to ensure that they are meeting the expectations. If scholars are no longer fulfilling their obligations, they may be removed from the Scholars Programme and lose the benefits to which they have been entitled. An annual review will take place to ascertain the scholar's suitability to remain on the programme.

Applications and Auditions

- Current students and those entering the school in August 2024 must submit their Music Scholar application by **15 February 2024**.
- Shortlisted candidates will be invited to an audition taking place in the end of November or the end of March in the Senior School Music Department at the Tanglin Centenary Building.
- Candidates should prepare two contrasting pieces on their main instrument and one piece on their second instrument (if offered).
- During the audition, candidates will be given sight-reading and aural tests.
- Following the audition, each candidate will be required to attend two interviews - one with the Director of Music and one with the Head of Senior School to ascertain their suitability.
- Students entering the Senior School for the 2024/25 academic year and beyond may apply from **September 2023**.

For further information, please contact the Admissions Department at admissions@tts.edu.sg.
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