

Warren Wilson College Jazz Past - Jazz Future Scholarship 2023-24

Purpose:

The Jazz Past - Jazz Future Scholarship was established at Warren Wilson College in 2020 through the generous gift of anonymous donors. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide recognition and financial assistance to outstanding undergraduate students enrolled in Warren Wilson College who are currently majoring in or studying music. The scholarship creates an opportunity for individuals who need assistance to engage and/or continue their music studies at the College, with first preference and priority being a demonstrated interest and some skill in jazz performance with the potential to be versatile, innovative, cross-genre musicians. Preference will also be given to students of color, supporting diversity within the College community.

Amounts and Terms of Awards:

There are currently two tiers of awards within the Jazz Past - Jazz Future Scholarship. The JP-JF Excellence Scholarship is a \$10,000 annual scholarship that is open to both new and continuing students. The JP-JF Leadership Scholarship is a smaller award (\$1,000-\$6,000) with amounts that vary depending on the total annual funds available. It is also open to both new and continuing students. Each scholarship shall be awarded for one academic year and may be renewed for subsequent years provided the recipient continues to meet the conditions of eligibility and funds are available.

Eligibility:

Consideration for this scholarship shall be given to all full-time undergraduate students enrolled in Warren Wilson College who have achieved satisfactory academic records or who manifest promise of academic success, are currently studying in the music program, and who will participate as an enrolled member of a music department sponsored ensemble for the duration of their award. Applicants who are prospective students must be admitted to Warren Wilson College as a full-time undergraduate starting in Fall 2023 to be considered. (Admissions

information and instructions for first-year students applying to WWC can be found at https://www.warren-wilson.edu/admission/first-year-students/.)

Application Instructions:

Prospective and current students who wish to apply for a Jazz Past - Jazz Future Scholarship should submit video recordings of musical performances that demonstrate their ability to improvise. Guidelines:

- The video recordings must include performances of two contrasting pieces. Each piece must demonstrate a performance of the piece's melody plus at least one round of improvisation through the form of the piece.
- Applicants must clearly state their name and the titles of the pieces that they will be performing.
- Videos must be framed to include a complete view of the applicant and the applicant's instrument.
- Applicants may use accompaniment as long as the applicant's performance can be clearly heard above any accompaniment in the recording.
- Applicants may submit original compositions, but they must include a lead sheet (melody notated on one stave with chord symbols) of the composition along with their application videos.

Application Deadline:

All application materials to be considered for the Fall 2023 semester must be received no later than **February 15, 2023**. Video recordings should be uploaded to a file hosting service (Google Drive, Dropbox, etc.) to be shared via email. New students should submit their application videos via email to their respective admissions counselor, who will forward them to music faculty. Continuing students should submit their application videos via email to Kevin Kehrberg, Department of Music Chair, at kkehrberg@warren-wilson.edu.

Selection Procedure and Notification:

Scholarship recipients will be selected by the Chair of the Music Department and music faculty members. Recipients will be notified no later than March 15, 2023.

Application Questions?

Contact Jason DeCristofaro at <u>jdecristofaro@warren-wilson.edu</u> or Kevin Kehrberg at <u>kkehrberg@warren-wilson.edu</u>.