



Garden State Chorale, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 2837
Cherry Hill, NJ 08034
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October 1, 2008

Dear Sir or Madam:

We are writing to notify you about an exceptional scholarship opportunity for vocal music students.

Garden State Chorale, Inc. is a singing group with a history of more than 75 years of performing in various venues across South Jersey. The group's annual performances include holiday concerts in early December, an additional concert in March showcasing popular music and show tunes, and a Broadway play or musical revue in early May.

As part of its mission in supporting the future of the arts, the Garden State Chorale awards an annual scholarship designed to assist a talented student in preparing for a career in vocal music. The Chorale has been awarding this scholarship annually since 1965 to students pursuing their education at schools including Boston College, Temple University, Westminster, Julliard, and the Curtis School of Music.

The recipient of this year's award will be selected in February 2009. We are pleased to announce that the amount of the 2009 scholarship is \$1,500, half presented during the spring of 2009, following the selection of the winner, and the other \$750 presented by 12/31/09.

Applying for the Scholarship

Eligibility requirements for the student:

- High school senior with a record of superior vocal and academic achievement. (Vocal skills are the primary criteria. A statement of need is *not* required.)
- A specific plan to further his or her musical education in college.
- A fully completed application package (enclosed) submitted by the deadline noted. The application package includes:
 1. Application form -- completed and signed
 2. A full transcript of the applicant's grades and activities
 3. A letter of recommendation from the school's music teacher and, if appropriate, from a private music teacher with whom the student is studying.
 4. An audiocassette or CD demonstrating the applicant's versatility in various styles. The tape/CD must have two (2) songs, no longer than 4 minutes each. Suitable accompaniment is recommended for audition tapes.

Applications, with all the accompanying materials, must be received no later than

January 31, 2009. Please note: A fully completed package is required or the applicant cannot be considered and evaluated.

Applications should be sent to the following address:

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Should you have any questions regarding the requirements of the scholarship or other information about Garden State Chorale, Inc., please contact Susie Johnson at 856-685-7509 or via the Chorale's email at info@GSChorale.org.

Sincerely,
Susan Johnson, Scholarship Chairperson,
Garden State Chorale, Inc.