

PIANO SCHOLARSHIP

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Eligibility Requirements

- May be either a US or international student.
- Completed US high school diploma (or equivalent) upon enrollment at Livingstone College.
- Maintain good standing with the Livingstone College and Music Department academic standards and code of conduct.
- Residence (room & board) at Livingstone College for the scholar's freshman year.
- Return scholars must maintain a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 to reapply.
- Register for Music Seminar each semester while under scholarship.



2022-2023 Scholarship

The Livingstone College Music and Theatre Arts Department is pleased to announce its first annual Piano Scholarship Program. This scholarship program consists of two scholarships which cover tuition, fees, room, board, and books, awarded to admitted Livingstone College piano music majors. This is an extraordinary opportunity for talented young pianists to 1) earn a music bachelor's degree at a private institution with greatly reduced expenses, 2) obtain experience performing solo and collaborative repertoire both on and off-campus in the Piedmont area of North Carolina, and 3) receive lessons and mentorship in a private collegiate applied studio. To be considered for this scholarship, students must submit and complete their Application for Admission to Livingstone College along with the completion of this scholarship applications.



MUSIC DEGREES

Music Liberal Arts Degree

The Liberal Arts Program in Music emphasizes musical performance, history and literature. Students not interested in a professional teaching career may pursue the education and training in the Music Liberal Arts degree track.

Music Teacher Education Degree

The Teacher Education Program is committed to preparing highly skilled and competent teachers for the local communities, the state of North Carolina, and the nation. The program is guided by the theme, "Servant Leaders as Professional Educators: **Serve → Lead → Teach**".

Theatre Arts & Sacred Music Concentrations

The Sacred Music Degree places emphasis on preparing students to become music leaders in the church. Graduates from this program will know how to read and write music, be familiar with contemporary music trends in the church, as well as, understand the historical role of music within the church.

The Theatre Arts Concentration is designed to provide students with knowledge of the theoretical, historical, and literary aspects of theatre. Students will acquire hand-on experience in the craft and advanced techniques of play production.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

All pianists are encouraged to audition for scholarships. A completed application must include the items below and be received by June 30th, 2022.

- **Student Statement** - Please write about what music means to you and your commitment to learning your instrument. Also, include how long you have been playing, key influences, teachers, milestones, performances and ensemble experience. (*minimum 350 words each*)
- **A Letter of Recommendation** - From a classroom teacher, orchestra instructor, or private instructor. (*recent - within the last calendar year upon date of application submission*)
- **Audition Video** (*See Instructions Below*)
- Any other additional materials that will support the ensemble's candidacy.

AUDITION VIDEO INSTRUCTIONS

1. Two (2) major scales and two (2) minor scales, four (4) octaves each, with arpeggios;
2. Two (2) contrasting pieces or etudes

HOW TO MAKE AN AUDITION VIDEO

1. Arrange the camera frame horizontally and make sure your entire upper body and hands can be viewed throughout the audition.
2. Audition components (scales, contrasting piece) may be recorded within one performance, or recorded separately and then compiled/edited into one video link entry.
3. Please begin the audition video with an introduction of who you are including your name, instrument, where you are from, and the titles of your pieces. Follow the introduction with your four scales/arpeggios and two contrasting pieces.
4. Once you have organized and compiled your video, please submit it via a link to a Google file (shared as "viewer") or an unlisted YouTube video.



The Livingstone College Piano Scholarship encourages and rewards the hard work and commitment necessary for studying the piano at a high level. Upon completing the financial aid package of possible federal grants, awardees will receive a full reduction of all fees associated with tuition, room, board, and books, leaving them with zero balance owed to the college for the academic year, renewable up to four years.

Applications are due June 30, 2022

Full Name of Student: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

First Time Applicant? Yes / No ; If "Yes," how many years have you received this scholarship? ____

Number of years studied _____

*All required documentation must be included in your initial scholarship submission to be considered complete (i.e., Student Statement, Recommendation Letter, Audition Video). **Due to COVID-19 we are only accepting digital applications. Please email all materials to:***

Dr. DaVaughn Miller
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Expectations of Scholarship Recipients:

- Attend private lessons and register for Music Seminar each semester
- Come prepared to lessons with music, notebook, etc.
- Practice regularly as recommended by the applied instructor.
- Model mature behavior at all times.
- Be willing to collaborate with vocalists and instrumentalists as deemed appropriate by the applied instructor.
- Maintain an overall Grade Point Average of 3.0 or higher