



Nebraska Wind Symphony

Annual Scholarship & Instrumental Soloist Competition

Scholarship/Performance Award - \$750

Featured Soloist with the Nebraska Wind Symphony at Spring Concert

Eligibility Requirements:

- Resident of Nebraska or Iowa
- College-bound high school student, college undergraduate, or graduate student
- Enrolled as a full-time student in a **Nebraska** higher education institution for upcoming academic year
- Participation in a college band ensemble (concert, marching, or jazz) in the next year is required.
- Any major/field of study is acceptable

Scholarship Information:

Award Amount: \$750

Term: This scholarship award is for one academic year. The scholarship award must be used to further the recipient's post high-school education at a recognized institution in Nebraska.

Award Date: The official, public announcement of the scholarship award will be at the NWS Spring Concert in conjunction with the scholarship performance.

Award Payment: The scholarship award will be paid, on behalf of the recipient, directly to a 501(c)(3) institution/organization (college, university, etc). The recipient is responsible for notifying NWS of his/her school.

Application Due Date: Second Friday of February

Selection Date: Last Monday of February

Runner-Up: A runner-up will be selected and named at the same time as the designation of the winner.

If the winner is unable to fulfill the obligations of the scholarship, the runner-up will then receive the scholarship and appear with the NWS.

Performance Date: NWS Spring Concert - Refer to the NWS web site for the actual scheduled date

Rehearsals with Ensemble - Soloist will schedule rehearsal times with the NWS Music Director, Larry MacTaggart. Adequate rehearsal time will be scheduled to ensure a successful performance.

Dress Rehearsal: Saturday morning, the day before the concert – between 10AM and Noon

Important Dates:

Application period: February 1st thru Second Friday of February

Selection Date: First Monday of March

Rehearsals with Ensemble: To be scheduled, Monday nights, between 7:15PM and 9PM

Dress Rehearsal: Saturday morning, the day before the concert – between 10AM and Noon

Concert Date: Spring Concert, 3PM - generally a Sunday in mid-April

Application Process:

- Applicants must prepare a solo piece that has band accompaniment to perform with NWS in April, if selected as scholarship winner.
 - Refer to the [suggested repertoire list](#) for pre-approved solo works.
 - The solo must be available with band accompaniment that can be borrowed, rented or purchased.
 - Students should speak to their band director, private lesson teacher, or NWS Music Director, Larry MacTaggart, if they are having difficulty locating an appropriate solo.
 - Prepare a recording of the solo to be performed.
 - We strongly recommend that the recording include piano accompaniment as this demonstrates the ability to play in tune with others.
 - Applicants must submit the completed application with a recording of the solo to be performed electronically:
Post application and recording in a shareable location (ex. OneDrive, Dropbox, Google Drive)
Invite: nwsband@nebraskawindsymphony.com to view the documents
 - NWS will email submitted references with specific questions to help our evaluation process
- The shared file recording must be clearly marked with the soloist's name and title of the work.
- Applications must be received by the second Friday of February.
- Audition recordings and applications will be reviewed by the NWS Scholarship Committee and Music Director.
- Scholarship applicants will be notified of the results of the competition at the beginning of March

Questions/Additional Information:

Contact us by email at info@nebraskawindsymphony.com

For specific information on concert dates and additional information about the Nebraska Wind Symphony visit:

Web site: www.nebraskawindsymphony.com

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Scholarship Details and Repertoire List: <http://nebraskawindsymphony.com/scholarship>