

# **2022 Bursary Essential Information & Guidance**

As one of the largest and most established choral groups on the Island, Isle of Wight Cantata Choir has been performing and promoting the enjoyment of traditional and contemporary classical music, since 1956.

In launching our New Bursary Scheme, we aim to encourage and support talented and promising young singers and musicians on the Island, in their aspirations and pursuit of excellence and further study of music-making and performance.

### **Bursary Details:**

Our intention in awarding a bursary, is to assist and contribute towards the expenses of young people who are currently actively engaged in musical studies and pursuit to develop their skills. Examples of such expenses would include, but not be limited to:

- vocal or instrumental tuition and/or exam fees.
- the purchase and maintenance of musical equipment or instrument.
- the purchase of sheet music.
- travel to and/or attendance on a course of study, masterclasses, summer schools or other music institution.

## **Applicant Criteria:**

- Able to demonstrate talent, enthusiasm and commitment to improving skills in chosen music subject: voice or instrument.
- Supported by a written reference from a relevant third party; e.g.: teacher, coach.
- Aged between 11 and 19 years.
- Lives on the Isle of Wight.

## **Application Process:**

- Complete the Isle of Wight Cantata Choir 2022 Bursary Application Form available at: <u>www.iowcantatachoir.co.uk/bursary</u> with your personal contact details, musical background, experience and achievements and supporting recommendation from a music teacher or coach.
- Applications must be completed by a parent/guardian if the Applicant is aged under 18 years.
- Email the form to: chairman@iowcantatachoir.co.uk by Monday 19th September 2022.
- All applications will be acknowledged by email, upon receipt.
- All applications will be considered and reviewed fairly and impartially.
- Applicants will be contacted by email as to whether they have been successful and shortlisted for audition, or not on this occasion.
- Auditions will take place in early October 2022. Applicants will be required to perform two contrasting pieces of music, to a 3-person Award Panel comprised of: the Isle of Wight Cantata Choir's Musical Director, Accompanist and President.
- The decision of the Award Panel is final.
- Successful Awardees will be contacted and confirmed to by email, and invited to a formal Bursary Presentation at the Isle of Wight Cantata Choir Concert, at 7pm on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022, at Medina Theatre, Newport, Isle of Wight.

### Privacy Policy (How We Treat Your Data):

- Personal information provided on the Application Form will be held securely by Isle of Wight Cantata Choir, upon receipt.
- Personal information will be retained for a period that is no longer than is necessary for the purposes of the current Bursary process.
- Upon completion of the current Bursary process, a minimal amount of personal data may be retained for reference purposes if future repeat applications are received within the allowable age range criteria.
- We may request a photo, quote and/or testimony from Successful Awardees for the specific purpose of promoting the scheme to future potential applicants, for use on our website and promotional material.
- When information is no longer needed for the above purposes, it will be securely and permanently destroyed.
- Our full Privacy Policy is available at: www.iowcantatachoir.co.uk/privacy-policy
- Applicants may withdraw their application, in writing, at any time.

For any further information, please contact: <u>chairman@iowcantatachoir.co.uk</u>