

# The Tyler McGill Music Scholarship Program

The Tyler McGill Music Scholarship Program will provide scholarships that will include a variety of instruments and lessons to Scarborough youth 12-24 who have a keen interest in beginning or furthering their music education. The Program is intended to honour the memory of Tyler McGill whose life came to a tragic end in a senseless act of random violence in the summer of 2007 at the age of 22.

## Eligibility

1. Applicants must be between the ages of 12-24.
2. Applicants must be able to attend lessons and commit to practice.
3. Applicants must have a keen interest in music.

## Application Process

1. Each applicant must complete the application form below.
2. The application must be accompanied by a letter of support from a teacher, parent, neighbour, coach, etc.
3. Applications must be delivered or mailed to YouthLink main office or through email. (music@youthlink.ca)
4. Applicants will receive acknowledgement of application by telephone or e-mail.
5. Applications will be reviewed by a Selection Committee.
6. All application materials become the property of the Selection Committee and will not be returned.
7. Personal information about the individual awarded with the scholarship shall not be shared with the media without the individual's permission.

## Completed application must include the following:

- Completed application with signed declaration by applicant or parent/guardian if under 16
- Written Summary
- One letter of support

Section 1: Personal Information		
Surname:	First name:	Age:
Address:		Postal code:
Telephone number(s): Home and Cell Phone		
e-mail address – if available:		

1.	Education:    Elementary    High School    Post-Secondary    Not in School
	Name of School: _____
2	Previous Music Experience, if any
	Yes    No
.	If yes please describe

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**Section 2: Summary. Tell us about why you want to receive the scholarship...**

- How will the music training contribute to your personal goals/ professional career?
- Include some of the challenges you have overcome in your life.
- Why you believe you should be selected for a scholarship.
- Tell us if you can commit to attend weekly lessons and practice regularly.
- What accomplishment are you most proud of?

**Letter of Reference**

- One letter of support which can be from school staff, a coach, a faith community leader, employer, youth worker etc.

**Guidelines for Letters of Reference**

- How long the reference has known the applicant and in what capacity.
- A description of the applicant's motivation and commitment to pursuing music.
- Any other detailed information that would assist in assessing the applicant.
- Telephone number(s), address and e-mail of the person submitting it.
- The Selection Committee may contact the reference for clarification or additional information.

**Applicant's Declaration**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby declare that the information I have provided in this application is correct and can be verified upon request.

If I am not able to complete the program by attending the lessons and practice, I will contact YouthLink at [music@youthlink.ca](mailto:music@youthlink.ca) and withdraw from the program. I also agree to return the instrument so other youth can benefit from the program.

Applicant's signature:

Date:

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