

CONDITIONS OF GRANT

This grant scheme has been set up by FRIENDS OF HIGHLAND MUSIC (FoHM) to assist musicians and students and groups in the study, performance and promotion of Scottish Traditional music, song and dance.

WHO MAY APPLY? Any member of the Friends of Highland Music resident in the Highland, or Western Isles local government areas. To join the Friends of Highland Music, please follow the link from the FoHM web site <http://www.friends-of-highland-music.org/>

See below for differentiation for a) Those aged 23 and under b) Those over 23 years of age, and for groups.

WHAT IS IT FOR? Grants may be given towards meeting the cost of specific expenditure related to the advancement of the applicant's knowledge, experience or career prospects in the field of Scottish traditional music, song and dance. They may include fees for study courses, course materials and related travel and accommodation costs, purchase of study material and costs of producing recordings. This may also cover costs of mounting specific events, or for taking musicians on tour. They will not be given for the purchase of instruments or accessory equipment. They will not be given for expenditure already incurred prior to the grant decision.

HOW MUCH? a) For those aged 23 and under at the time of application the maximum award is £500 per annum. b) For those over 23 years of age, and for groups, the maximum award is £1,500 per annum. The grant is not a fixed percentage of the proposed costs, but is at the discretion of the FoHM Committee.

HOW TO APPLY:

Grant Application Forms can be found on the web site. For information on grants please contact Mrs Kathreen Hunter, Grant Secretary FoHM, 8 Iona Road Inverness IV3 8LY. Email: grants@friends-of-highland-music.org
Tel: 0776-8220145

The applicant should submit with the form, a full breakdown of costs. In addition, the applicant is encouraged to apply to other sources of income to help cover costs.

Also required are the names and addresses of 2 referees (not related to the applicant) who can speak to the applicant's character and ability, and the appropriateness to the applicant's needs of the proposed expenditure. If the applicant is under 16, his or her parent or guardian should also sign the form.

WHEN TO APPLY: Applications must be lodged (fully completed and with supporting evidence) at least two months before the funding is required.

DECISIONS: The grant award is at the sole discretion of the FoHM Committee. The decision of the Committee is final, and it will not enter into any correspondence on the merits of an application.

PAYMENT: FoHM will pay the grant on seeing evidence of commitment to the expenditure, and will if practical, make payment direct to the suppliers.

ACCEPTANCE CONDITIONS:

Successful applicants must submit a Report to the Grants Secretary on completion of the project. In addition, they must use social media to promote the Friends of Highland Music where possible.

The use of the Friends of Highland Music Logo on any publicity material, CDs or DVDs is essential and can be found on the web site for downloading.

In the event of the project not proceeding, or the costs being less than anticipated, the applicant will be bound to repay the grant or such amount as is appropriate and recoverable by the applicant.

GIVING SOMETHING BACK: From time to time FoHM organises events promoting Scottish Traditional music, song and dance. Successful applicants who are performers, may be asked to make themselves reasonably available to take part without fee.

PUBLICITY: It will be at the discretion of the Committee to publish details of grants awarded.

This is the document referred to in the application form as **CONDITIONS OF GRANT**

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