Boyer Scholarship
This fund was set up in December 2016 to honor the retirement of longtime Canton Symphony Orchestra Director of Education & Community Engagement, Lisa Boyer. Through generous gifts from staff, friends and family, this fund will now assist students who wish to study Music in college. One award per year will be awarded and is non-renewable. Preference will be given to students who plan on studying Music Education but other Music majors will be considered.

Eligibility Requirements
- Current member of one of the Canton Youth Symphonies
- Intending to study Music in college. Preference given to students who plan on studying Music Education
- Preference will be given to those students who demonstrate financial need – family income must fall below the current year’s federal guidelines for poverty level

Application Process
- Applications will be available beginning February 17, 2020 online and at the Canton Symphony Administrative Office
- Deadline for application and all materials is April 1, 2020
- Winner will be announced on May 10 and 11, 2020 at the Canton Youth Symphonies concerts
- Funds will be disbursed directly to the student’s college

What is required
- Application
- Student Essay –
  - For Music Education Majors: What inspired you to go into the field of music education and how do you hope to inspire your students?
  - For other Music Majors: What inspired you to go into the field of music and how do you hope to inspire others?
- 3 letters of reference – one must be from a current music teacher
- College letter of acceptance
- Current year FAFSA

Committee
- Current CEO of the Canton Symphony Orchestra
- Current Conductor of the Canton Youth Symphonies
- Current Education Chair from the Canton Symphony Board of Trustees
- Boyer Family Member Representative
- Current Manager of Education and Community Engagement at the Canton Symphony Orchestra
Boyer Scholarship Application

Participants who believe they may be eligible for a need-based scholarship should complete the application below and return it to the Canton Symphony Orchestra by **April 1, 2020**. You may apply for aid in person, by mail or by fax but all applications must be received by our office on or before April 1st to be eligible for consideration.

Scholarship recipients will be announced May 6, 2019 at the Canton Youth Symphonies concert. Funds will be dispersed directly to the student’s college. If the musician does not attend college or subsequently becomes ineligible for the scholarship, the Canton Symphony Orchestra reserves the right to rescind the scholarship offer and apply the funds to another eligible musician meeting the scholarship criteria.

Given the limited number of funds at the Canton Symphony’s disposal, we may use a family’s financial information to help us determine need. It is important that you include a copy of the current year’s FAFSA. Do not send originals, only copies of the originals. All information collected will remain confidential.

Musician’s Name ____________________________________________________________

Ensemble ________________________________________________________________

Primary Instrument: _________________________________________________________

Primary Parent/Guardian ____________________________________________________

Secondary Parent/Guardian _________________________________________________

Address _________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip _____________________________________________________________

Primary Parent/Guardian Marital Status ______________________________________

Musician(s) Live(s) With ____________________________________________________

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Adjusted Gross Income (line 37 on IRS form 1040) ______________________________

Income attributable to other adults (filing separately) living in household ______________

Child Support Income (only if not listed on tax return) ____________________________

Non-taxable income (SSI/SSD, food stamps, survivor’s benefits, etc) ________________

Number of Dependents on Federal Tax Form __________________
We recognize that the above does not reflect all household expenses incurred. Please use the following space to provide other relevant (extraordinary) expenses or information. This may include large medical or education expenses, recent job loss, etc.

**College Information**

College Attending in Fall: ______________________________________________________________

Intended Major: _______________________________________________________________________

College Address: _____________________________________________________________________

City: ________________________________ State: _____ Zip: ______________

By signing below I certify that all of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I realize that incomplete information or any fraudulent information given can result in denial or reversal of Financial Aid.

_______________________________________________________________________________ __________
Signature Date

Please return form to Canton Symphony Orchestra, ATTN: Boyer Scholarship, 2331 17th St NW, Canton, OH 44708. You may also fax your application to 330-452-4429.