



Stevenage Arts Guild Talented Young People Awards (TYP)

Application Information

The Stevenage Arts Guild was founded in the 1950's to encourage, sustain and co-ordinate the artistic endeavours of the people of Stevenage. The Guild has a wide range of members - from the performing arts, choirs and orchestras to floral arts, photographic and locomotive societies. Details of the groups and their activities can be found on www.stevenageartsguild.org.uk

High on our list of priorities is a commitment to supporting and encouraging the development of young people with a passion, ambition and outstanding talent to pursue a future career in the arts. This award aims to recognize and celebrate achievement as well as making a financial contribution towards the cost of your professional development and training.

If shortlisted for an award, you may be asked to attend and perform at a presentation event, usually in July, or to provide a sample of your work. If successful we will ask you to keep us regularly updated on your progress. Where possible, or appropriate, we will also offer opportunities for you to perform at Arts Guild or other related events.

The award is administered by Trustees appointed at the Arts Guild annual general meeting. Their decision in making or refusing an award is final.

What Can You Apply For?

You can apply for funding towards a specific element of your development and training. This might be, for example, towards the cost of buying a new instrument or art materials; private music or dance lessons; competition fees or promoting and exhibiting your work. In exceptional circumstances this may also include course fees or travelling expenses, not linked to a college, university or other professional training institution.

Are You Eligible?

To be considered for the award you must:

- Be aged 12 to 24 years
- Have lived in Stevenage for a substantial part of your life or have received the major part of your secondary school education in Stevenage
- Show excellence now, with an ambition to develop and work professionally in your artistic field

How to Apply

Please complete your application and then ask your teacher, or somebody else (not a relative) who supports your artistic development, to fill in the referee form. Return these with a stamped addressed envelope, to:

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Stevenage, Hertfordshire, SG1 4BE.** For further information:
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