

Carlton Reese Memorial Unity Choir, Incorporated

A non-profit 501(c)3 organization

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2024 CRMUC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Carlton Reese Memorial Unity Choir, Incorporated (CRMUC, Inc.), formerly known as THE UNITY CHOIR, was organized under the direction of the late Professor Carlton Reese. Historically the choir had its humble beginning as the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights Choir during the '50's and '60's when many of its members were part of the 1963 Children's Non-violent Marches' led by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and many local ministers. Professor Reese later organized the Unity Breakfast Choir essentially to provide music during the annual City of Birmingham's Martin Luther King Unity Breakfast. In the summer of 2002, Professor Reese passed and the choir unanimously agreed to change the name to the Carlton Reese Memorial Unity Choir as a memorial to Professor Reese.

The CRMUC, Inc. Foundation, a 501©3 organization, has established an annual scholarship program for students in music performance, music education, or music composition. The award recipients will perform at the CRMUC, Inc. Annual Scholarship Banquet Program in November.

2024 CRMUC, Inc. Foundation Scholarship awards are:

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| First Prize | \$2000 | Second Prize | \$1500 | Third Prize | \$1000 |
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Scholarship awards are intended to assist in defraying expenses related to the study of music at an institution of higher learning. These expenses may include tuition, fees, and/or textbooks. Eligible applicants must be Greater Birmingham area high school seniors who have been accepted by a music school/ program at a college or university. Qualified applicants will be invited to an audition. Proof of acceptance and documentation of registration in a music program at an institution is required before the scholarship award is released.

Applications and guidelines will be mailed to high schools in the Greater Birmingham area, or emailed upon request. They are also available from the officers and members of the CRMUC, Incorporated.

PROCEDURE:

A candidate will submit:

1. The completed CRMUC, Inc. Scholarship Application Form
2. A letter of introduction stating career plans, goals for studying music, need for financial assistance, as well as, the purpose, time, and place that the money will be used. This letter should include evidence of leadership/ involvement in school, community, and church activities.
3. The candidate should include a Music Resume' of the applicant's musical experiences including band/ orchestra/choir, recitals, performances, honors, summer workshops, and repertory examples.
4. Two letters of reference from music teachers or professionals in the field which reflect the candidate's talent, ability, performances, and/ or potential.

TIMELINE:

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| March 9 – April 29 | Application submitted to CRMUC, Inc. Scholarship Committee |
| April 29 | Completed application MUST be received or post marked |
| June 18 | Qualified applicants will be invited to audition (Place TBA) |
| July 16 | Scholarship Winners will be notified |

2024 CRMUC, INC. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The CRMUC, Inc. Foundation, a 501(c)3 organization has established an annual scholarship program for students in music performance, education, or composition. Application deadline is April 29, 2024

Name _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Home Phone _____ Cell _____

Email _____

Address

(Where you expect to be notified of scholarship status) _____ (street)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Sex _____ Cumulative GPA _____ Current SAT.ACT Score _____

Name of High School _____

School Address

(Street) (City) (State) (zip)

PLEASE ATTACH (1) a letter of introduction, (2) copies of your Music Resume, (3) Official School Transcript, and (4) two letters of recommendations from musical professionals to the completed application.

Musical Talent(s): Voice _____ Major Instrument _____

Secondary Instrument _____

Area(s) of Interest: Orchestra _____ Concert Band _____ Choir _____
Jazz Group _____ Marching Band _____

Contact information for current band/choir director or private music instructor:

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

While in college I plan to major in _____

Enrollment Status –Fall 2024 _____

Print Parent(s)/ Guardian's

Name _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

Student Signature _____

Date _____

Mail completed application packet to: CRMUC, Inc, Scholarship Committee
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Email: patreese0422@att.net