

**NFMC MICHAEL R. EDWARDS GRADUATING SENIOR PERFORMANCE AWARD**

**JR 22-1**

**Annual Award**

**\$5,000**

**Rules and Requirements**

The NFMC Michael R. Edwards Graduating Senior Performance Award was established in 2019 to honor *Michael R. Edwards*, NFMC Past National President who served from 2015 to 2019. This award is to recognize a high school senior who will be pursuing a performance degree.

**Criteria for Eligibility**

1. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior who will be pursuing a music performance degree at an accredited music school.
2. Applicant must have earned at least one NFMC Federation cup.
3. Applicant must not have reached the 19<sup>th</sup> birthday by the competition **deadline date – May 1**.
4. Applicant must be a junior member of the National Federation of Music Clubs.
5. Applicant must be an American citizen.

**Repertoire Requirements**

1. Repertoire Requirements are as follows:
  - o **Four (4) compositions** consisting of **three (3) contrasting periods** of music and **one (1) composition by an American composer**.

**Application Requirements**

1. Application is made online at the NFMC website. ALL supporting material must also be uploaded to the NFMC website – <https://forms.nfmc-music.org/forms/> at the same time. Separate submissions may result in disqualification.
2. Supporting materials:
  - a. Two letters of recommendation
  - b. Letter of acceptance from a college, university, or conservatory school of music for the immediate academic year.
3. An entry fee of \$20.00 must be received to be a candidate for this award. Entry fee can be paid at [www.nfmc-music.org/payment](http://www.nfmc-music.org/payment).
4. Online submission **deadline – May 1**.
5. Award will be paid as follows:
  - a. \$2,500 when enrollment for first semester is verified.
  - b. \$2,500 when enrollment for second semester is verified.

**Questions or concerns should be directed to the National Chair:**

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