

**MARTHA MARCKS MACK ANNUAL AWARD
for GRADUATE STUDENTS PURSUING A DOCTORAL
DEGREE IN VOCAL PERFORMANCE
Annual Award - \$5,000**

CA 8-2

Requirements for Award Audition

Five audition selections must include the following categories and languages, making sure the opera and oratorio selections are not using the same language. Although one language will be used twice, the five selections performed must include Italian, German, French, and English.

1. One operatic aria and recitative: Italian, French or German, sung in the vernacular language.
2. One oratorio aria and recitative: English or German, sung in the vernacular language.
3. Two arts songs; one German, one French or one Italian, sung in the vernacular language.
4. An American art song by an American composer, sung in English.

All required materials must be submitted to the NFMC site, <https://forms.nfmc-music.org/forms/>, by March 1. **Award Applicants will be notified of results by May 15.**

Three Required Letters of Recommendation must be included

1. Current voice professor (include professor's contact information and dates of study with that professor).
2. Director of the School of Music where candidate is currently enrolled.
3. Head of the Vocal Department where candidate is currently enrolled.

To further validate a candidate's worthiness and qualifications, additional letters may be submitted by other voice teachers and/or conductors under whom the candidate has sung.

A **\$20.00 entry fee** is required to be considered for this award. Visit www.nfmc-music.org/payment to pay entry fee.

Additional Requirements - must be submitted by March 1

1. Candidate must show written proof of having been admitted to the vocal performance doctoral program of his/her chosen school, which school must also be accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM).
2. A copy of transcript of candidate's grades (undergraduate and graduate) must be uploaded to the website.
3. Candidate must submit a 150 word narrative describing his/her professional aspirations.
4. Candidate must show proof of membership in the National Federation of Music Clubs (NFMC). If not a member of NFMC, visit www.nfmc-music.org/payment to pay senior individual dues of \$50.
5. Candidate must be a native born or naturalized U.S. citizen.

A candidate may not receive this award more than one time. Out of date forms will not be considered for judging.

In order to comply with the IRS requirements, the winner of the award will be required to supply his/her social security number and a W-9 Form to the NFMC Treasurer.

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