



HARVARD MUSICAL ASSOCIATION

HIGH SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS STUDENT APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Award Application and Teacher Recommendation forms are designed to gather enough information to judge a student's musical accomplishments, commitment, motivation and dreams. The Association's address is printed at the bottom of this page.

The submission must include all of the following to be considered:

1. Completed application form (form is attached).
2. A CD that contains three (3) pieces which show the range of your ability and represent different musical periods.
 - Include timing for each piece.
 - Repertoire other than concerto movements is preferred by the achievement awards committee.
 - If a piece requires accompaniment, your submission must be performed with accompaniment. Piano reduction is an acceptable substitute for orchestra accompaniment, but please record each movement on a separate CD track.
 - All recordings must be playable via standard compact disc playback. CDs, CD-Rs and other formats that play back solely through PCs and Macs are not acceptable. Please double check your recordings before submitting them.
 - Finalists will be required to play excerpts from the same three pieces submitted on their CD. There will be no exceptions.
3. Two (2) letters of recommendation from individuals who are in a position to attest to your level of musical achievement. At least one of the letters must come from a current instrument teacher, ensemble teacher or private coach (forms are attached).

Completed applications must be postmarked no later than THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017 for consideration. Any materials postmarked or hand delivered later than March 9, 2017 will not be accepted.

Please submit the completed submission with CD to:

**Judith Strang-Waldau
Chair of the High School Achievement Awards Committee
c/o Harvard Musical Association
57A Chestnut Street
Boston, MA 02108**

You may also email any inquiries to Ms. Strang-Waldau at achievement@hmaboston.org.