

2021 Shirley Rabb Winston Scholarship in Classical Voice

\$12,000 in Scholarships



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Evan Michael Lazdowski, our 2020 Winston Voice Scholarship recipient, singing the title role in Manhattan School of Music's main stage production of Mercadante's *I due Figaro*.

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Applications due to Chapters by February 1, 2021



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Evan Michael Lazdowski

Bass-baritone Evan Lazdowski is a recent graduate of Manhattan School of Music, where he earned a Bachelor of Music degree in Classical Voice Performance. He is currently continuing his training at The Juilliard School, where he is pursuing a Master of Music degree in Classical Voice Performance. When he is away from New York City, Evan enjoys being with his family in his hometown of Moultonborough, New Hampshire.

This past season, Evan was selected to join the 2020 Gerdine Young Artist Program at Opera Theatre of St. Louis. In previous years, he attended the Chautauqua Institution, as well as the Young Artists Vocal Academy at Houston Grand Opera. Evan's 2019-2020 highlights include singing the title role in Manhattan School of Music's main stage production of Mercadante's *I due Figaro*, as well as being selected to sing in a master class with Thomas Hampson. Previous operatic performances include: *I Capuleti e i Montecchi* (Capellio), *A Midsummer Night's Dream* (Theseus), *Les Pêcheurs de Perles* (Nourabad), and *Così fan tutte* (Guglielmo). As a concert soloist, Evan has performed Carissimi's *Jephte* and Charpentier's *Le Reniement de St. Pierre*, both with the MSM Chamber Choir and Orchestra at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. He is a winner of the National YoungArts Foundation's Classical Voice division.

SHIRLEY RABB WINSTON SCHOLARSHIP IN CLASSICAL VOICE

An annual scholarship in honor of the late Shirley Rabb Winston, a mezzo soprano who had a long and successful career in opera, is available through the National Society of Arts and Letter to singers ages 16 to 22. Applicants must demonstrate exceptional talent and promise of future success.

The scholarship funds are for private study, special training or personal advancement in the applicant's future careers. The funds may be used for college tuition, but not for housing, travel or personal expenses.

Scholarship funds are sent to the institution, teacher or program selected by the scholarship recipient. Recipients have 15 months to use their scholarships.

ELIGIBILITY

The applicant must:

1. Send proof of United States Citizenship, Naturalization.
2. Be at least 16 years old, but not older than 22 by March 1, 2021.

REPERTOIRE and APPLICATION

1. Prepare a current, high quality video of three (3) vocal selections from opera, art song or oratorio. One song must be in English and each of the songs must be contrasting in style, key and mood, and must be sung from memory. Total video time must not exceed 10 minutes.
2. Selections may not be edited and the audio may not be enhanced. The singer should be clearly visible. Do not submit a recording of a prior performance.
3. Upload the video to YouTube. Identify yourself by name only and introduce your song titles and composers.
4. Complete the application form. Be clear about your commitment to a vocal career. Specify your plans for further study, e.g., private study or other special training.
5. Send the materials by mail or email to the NSAL Chapter nearest your home or school by February 1, 2021. Include the completed application form and URL link to your YouTube video. See Chapter Contacts for addresses, phone numbers, and emails.

CHAPTER ADJUDICATION

1. Qualified judges from each NSAL chapter will select a maximum of two performers from the YouTube auditions.
2. The auditions will be judged in two age groups: 16-18 and 19-22.

DEADLINES

1. Contestant applications are due to chapters by February 1, 2021.
2. Chapters must send their finalist(s) application(s) and YouTube audition information by mail or email to the National Committee Chair before the deadline of March 1, 2021.
3. Winston Voice Scholarship recipients will be announced in April 2021.

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APPLICATION FOR THE SHIRLEY RABB WINSTON SCHOLARSHIP IN CLASSICAL VOICE

Name: _____

Last

First

Middle

Home Address: _____

School Address: _____

Street

City

State & Zip

Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

U.S. Citizen Naturalized (date of citizenship) _ _ _ _ _

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Alternate contact: _____

Name

Phone

Email

Educational Background

High School: _____

College: _____

If you are in high school, what course of study would you like to follow after graduation?

If you are attending college, what is your major? _____

What are your future career plans?

What are your plans if you receive a Winston Voice Scholarship? e.g., summer workshops, music programs, college tuition, etc. (The Winston Scholarship does not cover housing, travel or personal expenses)

Repertoire

(From Art Song, Opera or Oratorio only - one must be in English)

Selection#1 _____

Selection #2 _____

Selection#3 _____

Applicant Signature

I certify that I have read the scholarship requirements and that the information submitted by me is true and correct.

Name Signature Date

Mail or Email your completed application and the link to your uploaded YouTube video to an NSAL Chapter nearest your home or school by February 1, 2021.

(See Chapter Contacts for addresses, phone numbers and emails)

STUDY SUGGESTIONS FOR WINSTON VOICE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

Voice scholarship applicants may consider advanced instruction, private lessons, coaching, training in language and/or diction training for an operatic role, etc. in special programs or summer voice program in the following institutions.

This list is provided for your convenience, please independently research the program or institution as NSAL does not endorse any particular program or institution. If a phone number or email is not correct, Google the institution for updated information.

American Institute of Musical Studies (Graz, Austria)

28 East 69th St. Kansas City, MO 64113

816-268-3657

www.aimsgraz.org

Aspen Music Festival and School

2 Music School Road, Aspen, CO 81611

970-925-3254

www.aspenmusicalfestival.com

Arizona State University School of Music

PO Box 8704053, Tempe, AZ 85287

480-965-3371

www.asu.edu

Brevard Music Center

349 Andante Lane, Brevard, NC 28712

828-862-2140

www.brevardmusic.org

Bethesda Summer Music Festival

39 Eton Overlook, Rockville, MD 20850

301-424-3379

www.aamsopera.com

Chautauqua School of Music

PO Box 28, One Ames Ave., Chautauqua, NY 14722

716-357-6233

www.chq.org

College Conservatory of Music, Mary Emery Hall

PO Box 210003, Cincinnati, OH 45221

513-556-6638

www.ccm.uc.edu

Catholic University of America School of Music

620 Michigan Ave. NE, Washington, D.C. 20064

202-319-5414

www.cua.edu

Curtis Institute of Music

726 Locust St., Philadelphia, PA 19103

215-893-5252

www.curtis.edu

Flagstaff in Fidenza

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928-523-6749

www.nau.edu/fidenza

Interlochen Center for the Arts

PO Box 1999900 Diamond Park Road,

Interlochen, MI 49643

231-276-7472

www.interlochen.org

International Vocal Arts Institute

119 West 72nd St. #313, New York, NY 10023

www.ivai.org

Indiana University, Jacobs School of Music

Pre-College and Special Programs

1201 Third St., Bloomington, IN 47405

812-855-1583

www.music.indiana.edu

Juilliard School of Music

60 Lincoln Center Plaza, New York, NY 10023

212-799-5000

www.juillard.edu

Lyric Opera Studio of Weimar, Germany

info@lyricoperastudioweimar.com

Manhattan School of Music

Pre-College Division

130 Claremont Ave., New York, NY 10027

212-749-2802

www.msmnyc.edu

Michigan State University College of Music

102 Music Building, East Lansing, MI 48824

517-353-5340

www.music.msu.edu

Middlebury College Language School

356 College St., Middlebury, VT 05753

802-443-5510

www.middlebury.edu

New England School of Music
290 Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02115
617-262-1120
www.newenglandconservatory.edu

New York Opera Studio (Vassar College)
214 West 92nd St., #77E, New York, NY 10025
212-721-5290
www.newyorkoperastudio.org

North Carolina School of Music
PO Box 12189, Winston-Salem, NC 27117
919-770-3399
www.ncarts.edu

Opera New Jersey
PO Box 3151, Princeton, NJ 08543
609-799-7700
www.opera-nj.org

Oberlin Summer Art Academy for High School Students
39 W. College St., Oberlin, OH 44074
440-775-8044
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Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University
1 East Mount Vernon Place, Baltimore, MD 21202
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www.peabody.jhu.edu

Opera America
330 Seventh Ave., New York, NY 10001
212-796-8620
www.operaamerica.org

Opera in the Ozarks
16311 Highway 62, W. Eureka Springs, AR 72632
479-253-8595
www.opera.org

Opera Theater Music Festival of Lucca, Italy (University of Cincinnati)
PO Box 210003, Cincinnati, OH
operalucca@uc.edu

Patel Conservatory at the Straz Center for the Performing Arts
1010 N Macinnes Pl., Tampa, FL 33602
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www.patelconservatory.org

Santa Fe Opera
PO Box 2408, Santa Fe, NM 87504
505-986-5900
www.festivalsantafe.org

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Scuola Italia Summer Program for Young Singers
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www.scuola-italia.com

Spoletto Festival USA
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www.spoletousa.org

The American Center for Puccini Studies
17700 Caddy Drive, Derwood, MD 20855
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www.pucciniamerica.org

University of Michigan School of Music
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Westminster College of the Arts (Rider University)
101 Walnut Lane, Princeton, NJ 08540
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