

WMTA Local Association Grant

The WMTA Association awards grants to WMTA-affiliated local associations for projects that provide educational opportunities for students and teachers. Grants are also given for projects that support the promotion of music in the immediate community. Distribution of this grant by WMTA and acceptance of the grant by an affiliated Local Association does not imply WMTA sponsorship or endorsement of, or responsibility for the program.

Any WMTA-affiliated local may apply. Projects funded include clinics, master classes, seminars, educational workshops to prepare for certification examinations, community outreach projects and projects promoting interaction between local associations and student chapters, area colleges or other musical or arts organizations.

PURPOSE: To provide assistance to WMTA-affiliated local associations for the educational and professional development of teachers, as well as support and promotion of music in the immediate community.

ELIGIBILITY: Any WMTA-affiliated local association may apply.

PROJECT SUGGESTIONS: Projects should be creative and beneficial to many individuals rather than a small, specialized group of persons. Suggested projects include:

- ◆ Educational workshops for the development of musical skills in preparation for certification examinations
- ◆ Projects promoting interaction between local associations and student chapters, area colleges, or other musical or arts organizations
- ◆ Clinics, master classes, seminars
- ◆ Community outreach and/or educational projects
- ◆ Activities advocating music as a part of education
- ◆ Pilot projects

NOTE: Fundraising projects including monster concerts and other such events that should break even or generate income for the association will not be considered by the WMTA Executive Committee. Local Associations also may want to avoid projects that could be funded as publisher's showcases.

AWARD CRITERIA: No award will exceed \$100 and the committee reserves the right to award an amount less than requested when deemed appropriate. Past grant recipients are eligible to receive grants for new projects only. All decisions of the WMTA Executive Committee are final. WMTA-affiliated local associations may only submit one application per year. Criteria for award consideration include:

- ◆ Evidence of need for the project and benefit to either the local association or the community.
- ◆ Existence of a well-developed plan for implementing the project, including personnel required.
- ◆ Evidence of the potential for completion of the project, including proposed time frame.
- ◆ Project must take place after July 1, 2009(do not apply for grant after the project has already occurred).

Submit official letter of application to WMTA President. The Executive Committee meets three times annually (state conference/February/June). Awards will be announced in the WMTA Newsletter.