

BENSLOW INSTRUMENT LOAN AWARD

This is an annual award made to a young string player in Hertfordshire for the loan of an instrument from Benslow for 3 years. The first year of loan will be funded by Benslow and the second and third years by the Friends of County Youth Music Groups.

The criteria for selection of the award winner are:

- that he/she has auditioned in the current year for CYMG or renewed membership of a County group and already made a significant contribution to musical life in Hertfordshire through membership of one or more area groups , and demonstrated an active commitment to county music activities
- that he/she has shown a clear and demonstrable talent for their instrument together with exceptional potential for future performance, underlined by outstanding feedback from the auditions panel or the orchestra tutors
- that he/she is in need of a high quality instrument, the lack of which would be a barrier to his/her continued musical studies

Interested applicants are invited to write a letter in support of their application to Katherine Wolfenden, Head of County Activities, at St Albans Music School, Townsend Drive, St Albans AL3 5RL demonstrating their eligibility for the award in fulfilling all the above criteria. Letters must be counter signed by their current instrumental teacher to show their endorsement of the application.

Application letters must be received by the end of January. The award will be made in the spring of each year and presented at an Easter CYMG concert.

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