

**JOSEPH J. KENNEDY, JR.
JAZZ MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND
APPLICATION
2017**



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The following materials must be received by Richmond Jazz Society, Incorporated before May 31, 2017.

- ◆ **Completed application**
- ◆ **High School / College transcript (most recent)**
- ◆ **Three letters of recommendation (music teacher, counselor, & applicant's choice)**
- ◆ **Audition Recording (10-12 minutes with 4 selections in the following styles: swing blues, ballad, Latin-Caribbean or bossa nova, and one applicant's choice).**

(Please type, or print clearly)

PRINCIPAL INSTRUMENT _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

TELEPHONE (_____) _____

E-MAIL _____

HOME PAGE <http://> _____

PLANNING TO ATTEND: _____

(Name & Address of Virginia College or University)

CLASSIFICATION: _____

WHY DO YOU WANT TO PURSUE A DEGREE IN MUSIC AND HOW WILL YOU USE IT?

(Please write in the space provided below, no attachments)

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Throughout his career, Joseph J. Kennedy, Jr. was recognized as one of the premiere Jazz violinists in the world. His career spanned over 60 years and included work as violinist/arranger during the 1950's and 60's for noted pianist/composer, Ahmad Jamal. He was associated with the Richmond (VA) Public School system for over 30 years and, the Richmond Symphony for over 20 years. As a Jazz violinist, Kennedy toured the world and is considered a pioneer of bebop violin. Kennedy performed and/or recorded with Benny Carter, Billy Taylor, The Heath Brothers, John Lewis, Modern Jazz Quartet, Audubon String Quartet, Jon Faddis, and others. Kennedy's last releases include: "*Strings By Candlelight*", re-issued from the 1962 recording; and, "*Accentuate the Positive*" with award-winning Jazz multi-instrumentalist, Toots Thielemans. Kennedy retired as Professor Emeritus at VA Tech University.

The Joseph J. Kennedy, Jr. Jazz Music Scholarship Fund, administered by the Richmond Jazz Society, Incorporated was created in 1998 to help music students pursue their educational dreams. This award is given to students who will attend a two-year or four-year Virginia college or university with a Jazz emphasis. Scholarships are awarded to students recommended by their music teachers and counselors; who have demonstrated a strong interest and ability in Jazz music; and, have the desire to pursue this interest.

**Completed applications and all associated materials must be received before
May 31, 2017.**

**Scholarship Amount: Up to \$1000.00
Award Date: August 15, 2017**

Criteria: Eligibility requirements include enrollment in a two- or four-year institution, in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Candidates shall have demonstrated an intent to enter into and continue a course of study leading to a Bachelor's Degree in Music, with emphasis in Jazz Studies.

Procedure: Application should be accompanied by most recent transcript; three letters of recommendation (music teacher, counselor, applicant's choice); and an audition recording of the applicant with accompaniment (10-12 minutes with 4 selections in the following styles: swing blues, ballad, Latin-Caribbean or bossa nova, and one applicant's choice). Mail the application package to the following address:

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