

Award Description & Criteria – Marshal Boucher Memorial Award

The Bulkley Valley Folk Music Society (BVFMS) is pleased to announce an award in memory of Marshal Boucher, a Wet'suwet'en resident of the Bulkley Valley who was an active member of the local music community. Marshal was the type of person people liked to gather around; he loved everyone and easily brought people together around music and friendship. He was a beacon of positive influence and an incredibly talented musician, so to honor his memory, this award will give consideration to the character of the recipient.

The BVFMS has as part of its mandate "to promote the development of music and musicianship in the Bulkley Valley". This award is intended to support and promote continued education in the performance arts, with preference given to a student intending to develop their musicianship.

Performance art takes many forms as does its study. It is our wish to support the most deserving applicant in whatever form that study may take. That said, we would prefer the applicant is planning to attend a post-secondary school or another established institution, but all reasonable options may be considered.

To be eligible for this award the applicant must reside in the geographical region between Witset and Quick.

The student receiving this award:

- Will have clear goals to pursue a professional level in performance arts.
- Will show an aptitude for their chosen art form.
- Will show a pattern of persistence in achieving their artistic goals.
- Will have an established involvement in a performance art in the school and/or community such as a history of public performances, participating in related extra-curricular activities, or belong to a society/club promoting performance art in the community.

After consideration of the above criteria, preference will be given to a student who demonstrates financial need.

Application Deadline: May 15, 2022

The Marshal Boucher Memorial Award is \$1000. The successful applicant will receive the award upon confirmation of enrollment in their chosen program or institution.

Receipt of the Scholarship may be deferred for no longer than one year. The request for deferment must be made in writing to the Bulkley Valley Folk Music Society.



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Application Form

Name: _____

Date: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

You attended or graduated from: _____
Name of high school

Please write a description of your educational plans and give a brief history of your artistic achievements thus far. Please ensure your description answers the questions below.

1. What are your educational goals?
Describe your chosen program and why you have chosen it. Is this a stepping stone to further education?
2. What are your artistic goals?
3. Describe past involvement in your performance art within the school and/or community, such as history of public performances, participating in related extra-curricular activities, or belonging to a society/club promoting performance art in the community.

In addition, please provide two reference letters from people familiar with your goals, achievements, character, and educational plans.

Submit application to:

BVFMSinfo@gmail.com or PO Box 2209
Smithers, BC V0J 2N0