

Guidelines for 2018 BIMFA Scholarship Application

Generally, BIMFA has very limited funding for scholarship/financial aid due to the increasingly high cost of festival operation in China. However, we do make our best effort to offer partial scholarship/financial assistance to highly qualified applicant who participates for the entirety of the two-week festival.

If you wish to apply, you MUST follow strictly and provide all of the required documents and materials listed below by the deadline **March 1** for scholarship and financial aid consideration:

- 1) A written letter of request for scholarship and financial assistance. It should include but not limited to detailed statements of your qualification, specific reasons for scholarship/financial aid, musical merit and technical proficiency, major performance and academic activities, future aspirations.
- 2) A completed application form
- 3) Your musical resume/curriculum vitae
- 4) Your video audition material (*links to YouTube, DropBox, OneDrive, Google Drive are preferred*), consisting of at least 3 contrasting pieces/movements of free repertoire, approximately 20-30 minutes in length to determine your qualification
- 5) Letter(s) of recommendation from your teacher or noted musician specifically recommending you for scholarship/financial assistance for the 2018 BIMFA, regardless whether or not you already study with a member of BIMFA faculty. Direct e-mail recommendation (sent to: info@bimfa.org) is acceptable
- 6) A non-refundable application fee plus **the refundable deposit of \$300** (please refer to deadlines and application fees)

Please contact us if you have questions or in need of further assistance.