

# GOLD COAST SOCIETY

## Jeanette M. Russell Scholarship Competition & Application Form

### For Class of 2010 Graduating High School Seniors

### Application Deadline: March 12, 2010

All applications must be **postmarked or received on or before 5 p.m. on March 12, 2010**  
by Gold Coast Jazz Society.

No applications will be accepted after the deadline date.

The Gold Coast Jazz Society does not accept applications by fax.

All applicants will receive written notification of their status. **Finalists will be required to perform in the Jeanette M. Russell Jazz Scholarship Competition on April 10, 2010 and will be notified of their performance time.** A live backline of piano, bass and drums will be provided for accompaniment purposes.

Send applications to:

Gold Coast Jazz Society  
1350 East Sunrise Boulevard  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304  
(954) 524-0805

# Jeanette M. Russell Scholarship Fund

## Eligibility

- Application for full-time enrollment at a college or university for the study of jazz instrumental or jazz vocal performance.
- Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of not greater than \$5000. (Note: it will be necessary for you to complete a 2010-2011 Free Application for Federal Student aid (FAFSA) and receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) containing your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) prior to filing this application. You can complete a FAFSA on line at [www.fafsaed.gov](http://www.fafsaed.gov).)
- Florida residency
- Grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 (based on 4 point scale) or above during previous academic year
- Recommendation from school music official

## Competition Requirements

**All finalists must perform a 5-6 minute audition, best illustrating your ability. A live backline of piano, bass and drums will be provided for the applicant.**

## Award Amount

An annual scholarship award for tuition that may be awarded an applicant will be determined by the Scholarship Committee based on competition results and monetary availability each year. One-half (1/2) of such award will be paid, each semester, directly to the college or university on behalf of the student. Summer tuition is not eligible for payment.

### Notes:

- Students must submit a copy of the letter<sup>1</sup> indicating college admission to the school of their choice. This letter and the student's class schedule must be submitted to the GCJS prior to any payments being made to a college or university on behalf of the student.
- The total financial assistance awarded a student from all sources including scholarships and grants (but excluding loans and work-study programs) cannot exceed the total cost of attendance for the award period less the Expected Family Contribution (EFC)<sup>1</sup>. In the event a student's scholarship award causes this limit to be exceeded, the amount of the GCJS Jeanette M. Russell Scholarship awarded to the student will be adjusted to eliminate the over award.

In order for the second half of an award amount to be paid the second semester, the student must have maintained a GPA of 2.5 or above for the previous semester and continue full-time enrollment studying jazz instrumental or jazz vocal performance at a college or university. Also a copy of previous grade transcript must be provided.

- An applicant or scholarship recipient may re-apply each year for a new scholarship.

<sup>1</sup> The "Expected Family Contribution" (EFC) is the number that's used to determine a student's eligibility for federal student financial aid. This number results from the financial information provided in a FAFSA application. A student's EFC is reported to the student on a Student Aid Report (SAR)

<sup>2</sup> An "acceptance letter" from a school states admission. You may also provide the type and amount of financial aid the school is willing to provide if you accept admission and register to take classes at that school.

# The Gold Coast Jazz Society's Jeanette M. Russell Scholarship Fund

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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Type or Print all information

DO NOT CUT AND PASTE OR TAPE INFORMATION

### APPLICANT DATA

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I.

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip

TELEPHONE: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ APPLICANT'S AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument played \_\_\_\_\_ or vocal \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you been playing? \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted for Area All State? \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted for Conference All State? \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted for Honors Band/Chorus? \_\_\_\_\_

List performing groups in which you have participated \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_

Other music awards received \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN DATA

Please provide the name, address and phone number of the parent(s) or guardian you reside with.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Names

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip

TELEPHONE: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT: \_\_\_\_\_  
Area Code i.e., Mother & Father, One parent only, Aunt, Grandparent, etc.

### HIGH SCHOOL & POST SECONDARY DATA

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Post-secondary school you plan to attend. If unknown, list schools in which applications for admission have been sent.

\_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_  Accepted  Applied  
1<sup>st</sup> Choice City State

\_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_  Accepted  Applied  
2<sup>nd</sup> Choice City State

4 yr. College or University  \_\_\_\_\_  
Enrollment status:  Full-time  Part-time \_\_\_\_\_

Major or courses of study \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated date of graduation \_\_\_\_\_  
Month/Year





## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW

<b>Estimate Yearly Coast of Attending School</b> (These figures are provided by school)	\$
Tuition	
Room or Rent (including utilities)	
Board or Food	
Books and Supplies	
Transportation	
Other: (Please list)	
<b>COSTS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b> \$

## CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

I hereby certify and swear that all of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If asked by an authorized official, I agree to give proof of the information that I have given on this form. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted. This application becomes the property of the Gold Coast Jazz Society.

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF BROWARD

The forgoing instrument was acknowledged before me on \_\_\_\_\_, 2010

by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public – State of Florida

Personally Known \_\_\_\_\_

Produced Identification \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Identification \_\_\_\_\_

Print Notary Name: \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Number is: \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

### Disclaimer

Gold Coast Jazz Society (GCJS) and its officers, directors, agents, servants and employees are not liable or otherwise responsible for direct or consequential damages claimed, or alleged by any scholarship applicant or his or her heirs, assignees, agents, parents or guardians as a result of, or arising from the applicants participation in the competition or any associated function or performance; or, as a result of GCJS' administration, judging and granting of awards as part of this program. All decisions by the GCJS are final and are not subject to appeal, question or review of any type and said decision shall be based solely on the information submitted by the applicant and the subjective evaluation of the applicant's competitive performances.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

This application is complete and valid *only* when you have returned the following materials:

1. This **completed** application with parent/student and notary signatures. (Signatures are required in at least three places.)
2. Your official high school transcript which *includes the 7-14<sup>th</sup> semester grades*.
3. Your income information *and* your parent/legal guardian's income information as described in application. (Including copy of 1<sup>st</sup> 2 pages of your parents' 2008 1040 (if they do not file a 1040 or if their 2009 1040 is unavailable, copies of their 2009 W-2's and 1099's).
4. A letter of recommendation by a school music official.
5. A copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR) which contains an Expected Family Contribution (EFC).

**YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IF THERE ARE ANY BLANKS OR MISSING INFORMATION.**

Your **completed** application *must be postmarked by or delivered to* the office of the **Gold Coast Jazz Society** by **5:00 p.m.** on **March 12, 2010.** Applications received after the deadline *will not be accepted.*

You *may not fax any* portion of your application.

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If you have any questions, please contact the Gold Coast Jazz Society at 954-524-0805.

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# Gold Coast Jazz Society

## RECOMMENDATION FORM

The student named below is applying for a music scholarship administered by the Gold Coast Jazz Society. Your recommendation is needed as part of the application process. **This form is to be filled out by a school music official.** Please complete this form and immediately return it to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your signature across the flap, so he or she may submit it as part of a total package. **The application deadline is March 12, 2010. This form may be duplicated for additional recommendations.**

### **To be completed by applicant:**

Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
School you plan to attend next fall: \_\_\_\_\_  
Course of study you plan to pursue: \_\_\_\_\_

### **To be completed by reference:**

Please rate the applicant in the following categories on a scale of 1 to 5. (5 the highest ranking/1 the lowest)

	5	4	3	2	1	Unknown
Character	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Cooperation	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Initiative	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Intellectual Ability	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Responsibility	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Practice habits	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

On a separate sheet of paper, please write a brief appraisal of the applicant's qualification and motivation to pursue the course of study listed above. Please put student's first and last name on the top right hand corner of the paper. Use only one side of the sheet of paper. Do not write on the back of this form. Do not staple forms together. Thank you.

Name of Reference – Please print \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Reference \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURN TO APPLICANT IN A SEALED ENVELOPE WITH YOUR SIGNATURE ACROSS THE FLAP.**