



**Saint Andrew's Society
of Massachusetts
P.O. Box 204
No. Weymouth, MA 02191-0002**

**The Dr. Robert D. MacCurdy Memorial Scholarship
Application**

1. Eligibility: Students of the Scottish performing arts in music, dancing, piping, fiddling, clarsach, drumming, and song, etc. are eligible for grants. Academic or arts and crafts scholarships are not available. All applicants must have a minimum of two years experience in their specialty. Members of the Board of Director and their families are not eligible. Only complete application packets will be considered. Grants maybe awarded for two (2) consecutive years. Applicants may reapply following a break of at least one (1) year.
2. Decisions of the scholarship committee will be based on the applicant's objectives, commitment, demonstrated proficiency, anticipated development, and future goals. We give preference to students from Massachusetts.
3. A recommendation by your current teacher is a necessary part of this application. Also include a reference from you previous teacher if you have been studying with the current teacher less than a year. The recommendation should state what the relationship of the sponsor is to the applicant, (i.e. teacher, pipe major, music director, etc.), and the length of time the applicant has studied with the teacher. It should address the applicant's skill level; progress made this year; commitment; demonstrated proficiency; and anticipated development. No application will be considered without a sponsor's letter of recommendation.
4. To give the applicant more control over the application process, we now require the applicant to obtain the letter of recommendation and mail it in the same envelope with his/her application. Your application and letter of recommendation must be post marked no later than April 1st to be eligible for consideration by this committee.
5. If you wish to be notified of the committee's decision enclose a self addressed stamped envelope with your application.
6. Grants will be sent directly to the school you designate and must be returned if you do not attend.
7. Enclose a photograph of yourself performing.
8. Include a program brochure, if available.
9. Applicants should submit one original application and 4 copies to the address at the top of this application.

IF AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP GRANT, I WILL, TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY, COMPLETE MY INTENDED PROGRAM OF STUDY AND WILL SEND THE COMMITTEE A SHORT WRITTEN REPORT OF MY EXPERIENCE. I REALIZE THIS GRANT IS TO BE USED FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY. I WILL NOTIFY THE COMMITTEE AND SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY IF I AM UNABLE TO ATTEND THE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR ANY REASON.

Signature _____

Date _____

Parent or Guardian's signature if you are a minor: _____

Please Complete the Following:

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Mailing Address: Street _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Performing art for which this scholarship is sought _____

How long have you been training in this area? _____

Name and Address of your current teacher: _____

How long have you studied with this teacher? _____

At what level or grade are you now classified? _____

Are you a teacher in your field of Scottish Performing arts? _____

How often do you teach? _____ How many students do you have? _____

What is your immediate objective this year? _____

What is your future goal? _____

What other Scottish cultural activities or Scottish performing arts do you participate in? _____

How much assistance are you requesting? _____

For what purpose will you use the grant, if awarded? (i.e., school, workshop, lessons) _____

Name of the training program you plan to attend: _____

Address of School: _____

Contact Person: _____ Telephone: _____

Dates you plan to attend: _____ Date for payment: _____

Tuition of program, or cost of each lesson: _____

Room and board, if separate: _____

List other scholarship sources, if any, to which you have applied, or will apply this year:

On another sheet of paper, please write a short essay, not more than one page, to help the committee get to know you better. You may choose to include any special honors, or personal accomplishments you have attained this year; the number of competitions you entered last year, and how you placed in them; also include your age.