



For The Creative and Performing Arts 2027 Application

Virginia Budge Committee Members:

Bridget Eaton Ossmann: Founder

Sarah Kimble: Co-Founder

Bekka Eaton: Artistic Director

Ex Officio Members

Armarantha Elysion-Llewellyn

Greg Ossmann

Josh Kimble

www.virginiabudgeaward.com

\$1000 Award

Mission Statement

The Virginia Budge Award exists to create, promote, develop, sponsor, sustain, facilitate, and further the Arts within Butler County, Ohio. For the mission of the Committee, the term “Arts” shall be defined and literally construed to include the making or doing of things that have form and beauty, and to encompass all forms of Arts including the Arts of music, painting, sculpture, dance, theater, film, opera, ballet, and any other of the performing Arts requiring and exhibiting an exceptional level of creativity, skill or talent.



2027

2027 AWARD: \$1000.00

Applicant MUST:

1. Be a student 12 years of age or older
2. Reside, take classes/workshops or be enrolled as a student in a Butler County, Ohio school, college, or university.

Applicant package must include:

1. Finalists will be asked to **present examples of their work or perform** for the Committee at an in-person interview/audition.
2. A Short bio-biography. See sample below.
3. All candidates will be **contacted via email** as to whether you have been chosen to move on to the interview/audition stage. The **date and time of your interview/audition** will be sent to you via this same email address: virginiabudgetaward@gmail.com.

How to submit your application:

1. Mail-in submissions are no longer accepted.
2. Compile all the above forms and documents.
3. Send your application to virginiabudgetaward@gmail.com.
4. **PDF format only, please.**
5. Applications must be submitted no later than **midnight, APRIL 4th, 2027.**
6. **NO LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED**

Bio Sample: *Please note that bios are always in third person.*

Matthew Marcum (Saxophone) is a Junior currently attending Fairfield High School. He wants to go into Middle Childhood Education where he will teach Music and be a Musical Director for his students. He has studied sax with Greg Thompson (University of Cincinnati) since he was 11-years old. Matthew also plays with Fairfield's jazz band and orchestra and has been first chair in both since his freshman year. Matthew recently won a silver medal in classical saxophone from Ms. Bender's Music School in Harrison, IN. He also is a member of his church choir (singing) and leads praise and worship for the children's services. When he is not making music, he enjoys playing soccer and cooking,



2027

Student Application

Special Needs Applicants Check here _____

PLEASE PRINT

Contact Information:

LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____ M.I. _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/ ST _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE # (____) _____ CELL PHONE# (____) _____

BIRTH DATE ____ / ____ / ____ E-MAIL _____

AGE _____ FINE ARTS INTEREST _____

Preferred Contact Method (i.e. email, phone...) _____

Education:

Are you in high school? _____ If so, where? _____

Are you in college/university? _____ If so, where? _____

Full time _____ Part time _____ Not Attending _____ If you are not currently attending, please give a brief explanation of your circumstances _____

What degree are you seeking? _____

What formal classes, workshops and/or specialized training have you had in your art form?

Example: 1) type of class 2) length of study 3) name of teacher

_____ Date attended _____

_____ Date attended _____

_____ Date attended _____

Have you received any awards or special recognition for your work and accomplishments in your artform?

Example: 1) Name of award 2) Year 3) From what organization?

_____ Year received _____

_____ Year received _____

_____ Year received _____

Please list any work or volunteer activities you have participated in involving your artform. Where? What? When?



2027

Special Needs Audition Accommodations

_____ **Video and/or Audio Recording**—feel free to send in a video or audio version of your audition. Your interview will be set up separately as a phone or Zoom call.

Please send your video and/or recording as an attachment to: virginiabudgeaward@gmail.com