



David Tonkonogui Memorial Award (DTMA) Senior Award (College/University Students)

Music of Remembrance (MOR) is a performing arts organization focused on human rights and social justice. Founded in 1998, it has evolved from an initial focus on Holocaust remembrance to honoring the resilience of all people excluded or persecuted for their faith, ethnicity, gender or sexuality.

In 2005, MOR established the David Tonkonogui Memorial Award in memory of our beloved friend and inspiring colleague, cellist David Tonkonogui. Through this award, we nurture the education and development of young musicians.

To learn more, including information on past award recipients, visit:

<https://musicofremembrance.org/dtmaapplication>

Eligibility: Students majoring in music performance, and who are enrolled in a college, conservatory or university located within the State of Washington are eligible to apply for the Senior Award. Prior recipients of the DTMA are not eligible to apply.

Award: The maximum award is \$3,000; at the sole discretion of the selection committee, multiple winners may be selected and recipients may receive less than the maximum award amount. Recipients of the Senior Award will be invited to perform at an MOR concert in Benaroya Hall in Seattle.

Deadline: Applications are due **Monday, November 16, 2026**. Email your application and recommendations to info@musicofremembrance.org. The subject line of your email should say **"DTMA Application."** See below for instructions on submitting your video. All elements of the application must be submitted on the same day.

Background and Contact Information

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State WA ZIP _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Birthdate (month/day/year) _____

Name of Parent or Guardian (if under 18 years old)

Parent or Guardian's Telephone _____ Email _____

Current School _____ Graduation Date _____

Major _____ Minor (if any) _____

Primary instrument/voice _____ Number of years of study: _____

Instrumental or vocal teacher (name, email, and phone number)

Indicate any ensembles with which you play/sing (orchestra, band, choir, chamber music):

List any other instruments you play and number of years of study for each:

Please briefly indicate any additional musical experiences (and/or awards) you think we should know about in evaluating your application:

Recommendations

Please submit two recommendations from people who are not related to you; at least one of the recommendations must be from a music teacher or professional musician.

Audition Requirements

Video

All applicants must submit a video no longer than 10 minutes; you may play more than one piece as long as the total length of your video does not exceed 10 minutes. The piece(s) should not be edited or spliced together. If you decide to perform more than one piece, we suggest choosing pieces with contrasting styles and/or from different historical periods.

You may share your video through Vimeo, YouTube or another video sharing site.

URL link to your video: _____

Audition piece(s) and composer(s): _____

Finalists will audition in person before a final decision is made.

Essay

In a typed essay of 250 words or less, please tell us about yourself, including some or all of the following: why you are interested in this award, how music has impacted your life and how you plan to pursue a musical education. Please also discuss your ideas about using your musical talents to advance humanitarian and social justice issues. Include anything else that you would like the selection committee to know. Please provide specific examples to the extent possible.

Certification

I certify that the documents and information submitted with this application are complete and accurate, and that all statements, essays, recordings, and materials are entirely my own work.

Student's Signature

Parent's Signature (if student is under 18)

Student's Name

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Date