



AMELIA ISLAND JAZZ FESTIVAL

LES DEMERLE, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

THE LES DEMERLE AMELIA ISLAND JAZZ FESTIVAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR 2025

The Les DeMerle Amelia Island Jazz Festival is pleased to announce the availability of a \$1000 Scholarship to be awarded to a deserving High School Senior. The scholarship is to be used expressively for tuition in an accredited College or University by a student who has been accepted in the music program with a major or minor in Jazz Studies or Jazz Performance.

Applicant's Name:

Address, City, State, Zip:

Home Phone: Mobile Phone:

Email Address:

High School(s) Attended:

Names and contacts for three (3) references with address, email, and phone number(s):
(Please make sure to ask for permission to use these names. Include one High School Teacher)

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Also include the following with your application:

- A brief essay including a History of Jazz, why you want to study Jazz, and why you think you are deserving of this scholarship.
- Proof of acceptance to an accredited College or University.
- A CD of you performing an up-beat Jazz Standard, a Blues number, and a Ballad (15 min. max).

Finalists will be notified by the end of August.

A live audition for the selection committee may also be required of the finalists at the UNF Band Room, Jacksonville, FL. You will be informed of the exact date and time.



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Please send this application and additional support materials to:

Scholarship Committee
Les DeMerle Amelia Island Jazz Festival
P.O. Box 16684
Fernandina Beach, FL 32035

Application must be postmarked no later than March 20, 2025
Scholarship winner(s) will be announced by the end of August 2025

The winner of the scholarship will perform at the Les DeMerle Amelia Island Jazz Festival Benefit Concerts and at the Amelia Island Jazz Festival in October (exact dates will be announced).

Terms of Award:

This scholarship award will have a possibility of extending over four years if all criteria are met during each academic term. Criteria will be presented to the scholarship winner. If all criteria are not met the award will be cancelled.

Indemnity:

I, (*your name*) hereby release and discharge the Amelia Island Jazz Festival, its officers, volunteers and agents from all liability and damages of any nature whatsoever arising from or in connection with participation in the Les DeMerle Amelia Island Jazz Festival event(s).

Talent Release Clause:

Your signature on this application gives the Les DeMerle Amelia Island Jazz Festival, Inc. the right to use your name and likeness in any and all forms of media and promotion of the Amelia Island Jazz Festival and this scholarship without any compensation to you.

Agreement:

Your signature below constitutes a firm and binding agreement on all terms and conditions stated herein. (A parent or legal guardian signature is required for each applicant under the age of 18.)

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Today's Date Age Full Name (printed) Applicant's Signature Parent or Legal Guardian's Signature

