



# YOUNG SINGERS FOUNDATION

## 2017-2018 Bev Sellers Memorial Scholarship Application

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This application may be downloaded from the Young Singers Foundation website  
[www.youngsingersfoundation.org](http://www.youngsingersfoundation.org)

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## DESCRIPTION

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The Young Singers Foundation provides scholarships, specifically to young women involved in the barbershop art form, to assist in the furtherance of their music education. Each annual award of \$5,000 will be paid over two semesters, and is given in honor of Bev Sellers' contribution to music education and four-part a cappella music. Women who have completed at least one semester at university level are eligible to apply for the award to be used for the following school year.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

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An applicant must meet the following criteria to be considered for this scholarship:

1. She must submit a completed scholarship application postmarked by January 25, 2017.
2. Applicant has been involved in barbershop activities or affiliated with Sweet Adelines International for a minimum of one year, or has been involved in a Sweet Adelines chorus or regionally sponsored young women's barbershop events for a minimum of one year.
3. If applicable, she is a member of a Sweet Adelines International chorus or quartet and she is in good standing with both her local chorus and with the International organization.
4. Student is enrolled as an undergraduate music education or vocal pedagogy major at a four-year institution (college or university) and she can provide verification of said enrollment.
5. Her grade point average at the time of application reflects a minimum of a B+ average (3.5 GPA).
6. She can provide three positive letters of reference (at least one letter from her chorus president or director if she is a member of a Sweet Adelines chorus, or a letter from a Sweet Adelines coach if she is in a quartet).

The applicant must demonstrate notable interest in singing as well as promise, success, and recognition as a singer on her application. Recommendations must consistently emphasize the sheer vocal talent and passion of the student in addition to academic intelligence and musical ability. Her Sweet Adelines experience should be referenced in detail by her president, director, or coach. Financial need is not considered.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURES

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1. Applications are available upon request by phone at 918-622-1444 or 800-992-746, fax at 918-665-0894, or via email at [ysf@sweetadelines.com](mailto:ysf@sweetadelines.com). You may also download the application from [www.youngsingersfoundation.org](http://www.youngsingersfoundation.org).
2. Completed application form and all supplemental materials must be postmarked no later than ~~JANUARY 25~~ **FEBRUARY 24**.
3. An original plus seven (7) copies of the following items must be included when applying:
  - a. \*Completed application form.
  - b. \*Three (3) letters of recommendation: At least one from her chorus president or director if a Sweet Adelines member, or her quartet coach, and others from music educators at the university level who are familiar with the applicant's musical ability. The letters should expressly state the student's musical aptitude and/or reference her Sweet Adelines experience. **All letters must be on letterhead, signed, and dated.**

- c. Only an official transcript from your current university will be accepted. Email or online versions are **not** acceptable.
  - d. \*List of musical activities.
  - e. \*List of extracurricular and civic activities.
4. All supplemental materials (particularly those marked with an asterisk (\*)) must be single-sided copy on 8½ x 11 size paper and collated in sets. Transcripts may be submitted sealed from your school. **Original plus seven (7) copies of all materials must be submitted.** *Note: If you do not include seven copies, your application will automatically be discarded.*

**ATTENTION:** *Application will be disqualified if all materials are not attached and received in one package.*

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

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Letters and acceptance forms will be sent to applicants within four months of the deadline date.

Announcement will also be made on the website ([www.youngsingersfoundation.org](http://www.youngsingersfoundation.org)) after acceptance letters have been sent to the scholarship recipients. If you have any questions, the phone number to call is 918-622-1444 or 800-992-7464.

Successful recipients will be **required** to submit a photo by July 1 to be used in publications.

### PAYMENT PROCEDURE

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Payment, on behalf of the recipient, will be made by the Foundation in the following manner:

1. All payments will be used to pay only tuition, books and academic fees, upon verification from the university/college and receipt of an invoice for the same from the institution for the first term or semester.

**Funds cannot be released until the Young Singers Foundation receives official enrollment verification from each student. Check with the Registrar's office at your institution to get the necessary documentation so processing of your award will not be delayed.**

2. An equal amount will be held in reserve for the second term or semester and shall be paid on submission of evidence of good standing and intention to remain in said institution.
3. All payments will be made by check payable to the institution.
4. If a scholarship recipient drops out of classes or transfers to another college or university, her remaining scholarship monies for that academic year will be forfeited. Upon reinstatement of student status in good standing, future applications will not be denied consideration by the Foundation.

### ESSAYS

***All applicants:*** Please answer the following questions on separate sheets of paper.

1. Please list all schools attended since high school.
2. What are your aspirations and goals for your musical future?
3. What steps have you taken to reach the musical future you envision?
4. What will you be doing in ten years?

*This form is valid from November 1, 2016, to January 24, 2017.*



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Name \_\_\_\_\_ S.S.# \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

*(Include Apt #, City, State, Zip, and Country other than United States)*

Phone (*best contact*) \_\_\_\_\_ (*other*) \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_

I am pursuing a Bachelor's degree in:

Vocal Pedagogy       Music Education

Name of current college or university:

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Next fall I will be:     Sophomore     Junior     Senior

College or university you plan to attend in 2017-2018 academic year (*if different than current*):

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Have you been accepted by this institution?  Yes       No

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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*This form is valid from November 1, 2016 to February 24, 2017.*