

**Hawai'i Songwriting Festival
2024 Scholarship Application
Deadline: midnight HST April 15, 2024**

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Age: _____ Gender: _____ Preferred Pronouns _____

STUDENTS:

School Name: _____

Current grade level: _____ Not a student

Please attach the following to your application:

- Essay (see prompt below)
- Optional – A recommendation from a music teacher or music industry mentor sent as a separate email directly from the recommender with your name in the subject line to: kmfjoanie@gmail.com
- Optional – A link (YouTube, SoundCloud, Bandcamp, etc.) of you performing an *original* song. Please include a lyric sheet.

Essay Question:

(Please respond on a separate page) In 500 words or less, tell us about your songwriting experience and why you want to attend the Hawai'i Songwriting Festival. What do you hope to gain? Why do you need this scholarship? (Non-student applicants are advised to focus particularly on the last question).

This year we have several substantial scholarships that have specific criteria which our donors would like us to focus on. If you think you qualify for these, please mention so and elaborate in your essay.

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Henry Kapon Foundation We Are Friends Maui Scholarship - This scholarship is for performing musicians and/or students 18 and older who reside on Maui, with preference to those who suffered a loss due to the August 8, 2023 wildfires.

Jason Mraz Foundation Scholarship - This scholarship focuses on demonstrated financial need and gives preference to applicants of Native Hawaiian ancestry, Hawai'i residents, and students.

Jerome Spence Memorial Scholarship - This scholarship focuses on demonstrated financial need and gives preference to applicants of Native Hawaiian ancestry, Hawai'i residents, and students.

Rise Scholarship - This scholarship is for songwriters who would not be able to attend without financial help.

We also have donors that want to help with both partial and full registration fees (normally \$359). You will be considered for all the scholarships that you qualify for based on the information you provide in your application. Please note that for the partial and full registration fee scholarships, the committee gives preference to students, applicants who live in Hawai'i, and first-time HSF attendees.

If you are under 18, please have your parent/guardian sign here, permitting you to apply for this scholarship. By signing this document, your parent/guardian acknowledges that if you are awarded a scholarship they will be required to chaperone you during the festival at their own expense, but will not be charged a registration fee.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

By checking this box, I verify that I have read this application and prepared this application to the best of my ability. To my knowledge, the information provided is correct and complete.

Applicant Signature Date

Please send this completed form and attachments to kmfjoanie@gmail.com by midnight HST on April 15, 2024. You should receive a return email letting you know we received your application. Scholarships will be awarded by April 22, 2024.