

Hamilton Civic Choir Choral Scholarship

Terms & Conditions

This scholarship offers the opportunity to develop your choral voice in a reputable choir whilst receiving some remuneration.

About the Scholarship:

The Hamilton Civic Choir (HCC) is a legacy choir with over 75 years of performing. The choir is friendly and welcoming, and strives to produce high quality choral concerts that are both rewarding and stimulating for the choir and its audiences.

For the first time, the choir is looking to appoint up to two choral scholars in 2025.

We expect that the successful applicant(s) will be either a choral or aspiring professional singer who wishes to expand their knowledge of choral repertoire and develop ensemble singing skills. The scholar will be a highly valued member of the choir, committing and contributing to weekly rehearsals and promoted concerts, as well as the social life of the choir.

The scholarship is currently open to male singers 18-30 years of age who are not current members of the choir.

Expectations of the Scholar:

1. The scholar will agree to sing with HCC for at least one year* from the time of the granting of the award (* *"one year" may be negotiable, e.g., the recipient may be required to sing in a forthcoming concert where this falls outside a calendar year.*)
2. The scholar is expected to:
 - a. Attend weekly HCC rehearsals on Monday evenings from 7:15 pm-9:30 pm
 - b. Attend scheduled weekend workshops (1-2 per term; we currently have 4 terms per year)
 - c. Attend all dress rehearsals
 - d. Perform in all scheduled concerts
3. The scholar will provide confident musical and vocal support in the men's section
4. The scholar will be expected to know their part and lead well
5. Willingness to participate in other musical and social events in the choir's calendar
6. Leadership opportunities may arise, depending on ability
7. Basic supportive piano skills are desirable but not essential
8. As requested, support the choir's marketing with social media and website content relating to the choral scholarship
9. Acknowledge the choir in your professional biography for all internal and external engagements where appropriate

Expectations of the Choir:

The Hamilton Civic Choir will offer:

- An annual stipend of \$2000 will be paid to the scholar in quarterly payments
- Free membership of the choir during the scholarship year (value of \$400+)
- Opportunities for step-out solos in the choir's concerts (dependent on repertoire)
- Promotion and publicity as the current scholar in programmes, the choir's website, and social media

Audition Information:

After filling out the [scholarship form online](#), an audition will be arranged by the Secretary of the choir.

The audition will consist of:

- Singing one unaccompanied folk song
- Sight-reading tests
- Aural tests
- A brief interview with our Musical Director, a choir Committee member, and an experienced chorister within the choir

We look forward to hearing from you!