Music Awards and Scholarships

Those studying Music are automatically entitled to a generous bursary towards instrumental lessons for each year of their undergraduate study at Homerton. These can be held concurrently with an Organ Scholarship, Choral Scholarship, Accompanist Scholarship, Conducting Scholarship, or Instrumental Award as described below.

Choral Scholarships

At Homerton, choral scholars sing in the <u>Charter Choir</u>. Scholarships are tenable for the duration of undergraduate study (usually three years), and choral scholars are required to take part in the musical services of the Charter Choir at the neighbouring Church of St John the Evangelist, attend choir practices, and are expected to take an active part in the secular musical life of the College. In addition to the annual stipend of £100, choral scholars receive a generous further subsidy towards singing lessons, free Formal Hall, and other perks.

Prospective choral applicants are most welcome to contact the Director of Music, <u>Dr Daniel Trocmé-Latter</u>, for informal advice about making an application. Formal applications can only be made once an academic place has been offered (in early January). In order to apply, the Choral Award Application Form must be completed and sent to the Admissions Office of your College. To download the application form and to find out more, have a look here: Choral awards | Undergraduate Study (cam.ac.uk).

All applicants *must* list the College from which they have received an academic offer as their first preference for a choral scholarship. Choral scholarships cannot be held at more than one College. Those who do not obtain a choral scholarship may be eligible to sing as a volunteer in the choir of a College other than their own. Please note, **the application deadline for Choral Awards is I 5**th **February**. Homerton will acknowledge receipt of your Choral Award Application Form. If you do not receive acknowledgement by the end of February, contact the <u>Admissions Office</u> at Homerton.

Organ Scholarships

Those wishing to apply for an Organ Scholarship need to complete the online Organ Scholarship Application as well as submit a UCAS application. The Organ Scholarship applications must usually be received by the beginning of September, although your UCAS application does not have to be submitted until the October deadline. There are normally two Organ Scholars at Homerton. The Organ Scholars' main responsibilities are to accompany the Charter Choir at all rehearsals and services (usually Choral Evensong at the neighbouring Church of St John the Evangelist), and to help with choir-related administration and general organisation. When no accompaniment is needed, they may be expected to sing with the Choir. They are also given regular opportunities to conduct the Choir, with informal guidance from the Director of Music. Organ Scholars are also expected to take a leading role in other forms of music-making at Homerton. Awards are tenable for three years (at £450 per annum), and come with additional perks including free organ lessons, free Formal Hall, and free international tours. In addition, the Organ Scholars are provided with a digital practice piano in their College room.

Click here for further details of the <u>Charter Choir</u>. For further information about the Organ Scholarship, have a look here: <u>Organ Scholarships |</u> Undergraduate Study (cam.ac.uk)

Instrumental Awards

Homerton College participates in the University <u>Instrumental Award Scheme</u>, whose purpose is to enable talented players to reach a high standard of chamber music performance. Undergraduates in any subject whose place at Homerton has been confirmed may apply for an Award. A distinction at Grade 8 is usually required as a minimum level. Applications must usually be submitted by late February.

Accompanist Scholarship

Homerton College also offers an Accompanist Scholarship for competent pianists who are either continuing or incoming students. Applications are welcome from those who will have achieved at least Grade 7 standard on the piano. The value of the scholarship is £300 per annum, plus an additional grant for piano/accompaniment lessons. There is also an optional provision for organ lessons of £300 per annum. The scholarship is awarded for one year in the first instance, but may be extended for a subsequent year with the agreement of both parties. The Accompanist Scholar is the official accompanist for musical events in College and is be expected to promote music at Homerton. He or she may also, from time to time, be required to accompany the Charter Choir at a concert or service. Appointment is by audition, usually held at the very beginning of the academic year.

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Conducting Scholarship

The Homerton Conducting Scholarship is open to all continuing or incoming students who have an interest in orchestral conducting. No prior conducting experience is necessary, although candidates' potential will be taken into consideration. The value of the scholarship is £300 per annum, plus an additional grant for conducting lessons and – for students studying subjects other than Music – another grant for instrumental lessons. The scholarship is awarded for one year in the first instance, but may be extended for a subsequent year with the agreement of both parties. The Conducting Scholar is the official conductor for the Homerton College Orchestra (which currently performs twice a year in end-of-term concerts organised by the student-led Homerton College Music Society (HCMS). Appointment is by audition, usually held at the very beginning of the academic year.

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