Midwest Chapter of MLA Invites Applications for the Leslie Troutman Scholarship

76th Annual Meeting
October 12-14, 2017
Iowa City, Iowa

I. The scholarship supports portions of the expenses related to attending this year's annual chapter meeting October 12-14 in Iowa City, Iowa. The application deadline is August 25, 2017.

The Scholarship may be awarded for up to $500, and may be used to offset the following conference expenses:

1. Lodging for the two nights of the conference (Thursday and Friday) at one-half of the double occupancy rate;
2. Expenses for meals, reimbursed at the CONUS rate for one full day (Friday) and two partial days (Thursday and Saturday);
3. Travel by car/plane/train/bus, generally by the least expensive method. (If mileage for a personal vehicle is awarded, it will be paid at the current IRS rate at the time of the conference. The business standard mileage rate beginning January 1, 2017 is 53.5 cents per mile.)
4. Other expenses related to attending the conference.

Award recipients who are not already members of the Midwest Chapter of MLA are expected to join prior to attending the October meeting. Join online at http://www.mlamidwest.org/.

Supporting our colleagues’ involvement in the life of the chapter is a priority! Music library paraprofessionals and support staff are eligible for this opportunity and are encouraged to apply. Applicants must reside at the time of the meeting in one of the states the Midwest Chapter (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin), and must also be a library paraprofessional/support professional working with music materials as a significant portion of his/her job responsibilities.

II. Applicants must submit the following to arrive by August 25, 2017. Applicants will be evaluated on the quality of the application.

1. A cover sheet with the following information: date of application; name of applicant/nominee; email address of applicant/nominee; name of nominating chapter member (if applicable); name of employing library; position/title; and years in position.

2. A cover letter describing the applicant’s interests in music librarianship and why attending the meeting would be meaningful (up to 200 words). Applicants should include a statement of professional goals as they related to conference attendance.

3. A brief budget for travel and lodging.
4. A current résumé or vita;

5. One letter of support. Where applicable, it should be from a current supervisor.

**III. The application deadline is August 25, 2017. Please submit application to the Scholarship Committee member Eleanor Lange by e-mail or US mail. Late applications will not be considered.**

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If you have any questions, please contact Eleanor Lange via email at eleanor.lange@interlochen.org or via phone at (231)276-7232.

Recipients will be notified no later than September 1, 2017, and announced on MWMLA-L immediately thereafter. Please note that the Midwest Chapter of MLA may elect to pay directly for travel and hotel expenses on the recipient's behalf and only supply the balance, if any, of an award following the 2017 Bloomington-Normal meeting.