Brian Moore Accompanist Scholarship 2023-2024 Information



Deadline for applicants: 01 October 2023

What is expected of the Brian Moore Accompanist Scholar?

- The Brian Moore Accompanist Scholar is required to accompany the Wolfson College Choir and Wolfson Chamber Singers; attending regular weekly rehearsals (mostly on Monday evenings) and playing for all services and concerts as required by the Director of Music. The applicant would ideally play organ and piano, however most accompanying will be done by piano. There are four services per year, three to four choir concerts plus additional after-dinner performances & 2-3 lunchtime concerts per year. The successful applicant will be expected to accompany the choir on its summer tour.
- The Brian Moore Accompanist Scholar is expected to play an active role in the Wolfson College Music Society.
- The Accompanist Scholar should be of soloist standard and have good ensemble skills.
- Good sight-reading ability and musicianship is expected.
- Efficient organisational skills, punctuality and team skills are expected.
- Depending on candidates applying it may be possible to share the scholarship between two people.

Wolfson College Choir rehearses each Monday during full term between 7.30-9.30pm. Weekly attendance is expected. **Wolfson Chamber Singers** rehearse on occasional Mondays at the start or end of choir practice and from time to time as performances require. In addition, there are usually rehearsals on the day of services and concerts (details will be given at the start of each term). Participation in summer choir tours (usually every two years) is also expected, and free for the Scholarship holder.

Absences should be applied for in advance and are at the discretion of the Director of Music.

The requirements of your course may preclude you from committing to the conditions of the scholarship.

Details of the Scholarship:

The Brian Moore Accompanist Scholar will receive a financial award, currently £600 (which may be divided between two successful candidates). The Scholarship is awarded annually, and scholarship holders are welcome to re-apply each year. The Accompanist Scholar is expected to take regular keyboard lessons.

Scholarship holders will also receive ongoing guidance from the Director of Music and subsidies for lessons, materials & meals when on duty up to the value of an additional £600 as deemed appropriate and agreed by the Director of Music. Other perks include free Wolfson choir tours, and a keyboard in your College room if required.

Audition Procedure: Notes for Candidates

The accompanist auditions will be held in the first week of Michaelmas Term for new applicants and during the summer vacation for current award holders at the discretion of the Director of Music. The date and time will be agreed with the Director of Music. You should arrive at least 5 minutes before the time of your audition. Please wait outside the audition room until you are called in. The audition will last up to 15 minutes and will be taken by the Director of Music (or their representative) and possibly one or more panellists.

- You will be asked to play a piece of your own choice on piano. The piece must not exceed five
 minutes in length including repeats and da capos. Please bring an additional copy of your chosen
 piece for the audition panel.
- The audition may also contain scales and arpeggios, tests in sight-reading, playing from a vocal score and aural skills.

This information is also available on the music pages of the College website. This scholarship is generously funded by Prof Brian Moore, an Emeritus Fellow of the College.

For further enquiries contact the Director of Music, Ms Lyn Alcántara music@wolfson.cam.ac.uk

Brian Moore Accompanist Scholarship 2023-2024 Application Form



Auditions will be held in the first week of Michaelmas Term

Surname:	Given name(s):	
Preferred pronoun:		
Instruments played and standard/grade:	Piano	Organ
	Harpsichord	_Other
	Voice type: S A T B	(please circle if applicable)
Other relevant music studies / degrees/ instruments:		
Competitions / music prizes:		
Current course and estimated finishing date:		
Email(s): NB @cam email must be included		
Contact Telephone:		
Languages spoken:		
Accompanying and solo experience including names of choirs / ensembles you have accompanied: (use an additional page if required):		
Your chosen solo piece (up to 5mins): include composer / title		
Should I be accepted as the Brian Moore Accompanist Scholar I agree to participate fully as accompanist for Wolfson College Choir and Wolfson Chamber Singers as required, and be an active member of the Wolfson College Music Society. I agree to attend each Monday evening rehearsal and occasional additional rehearsals, and perform in all scheduled performances as required, unless I obtain permission for an absence in advance from the Director of Music.		
Signed:	Date:	

Please return this form to the Director of Music by 1 October 2023, by email to music@wolfson.cam.ac.uk An audition time will then be allocated. Early applications are encouraged.