



Ealing Music Service – Singing Awards 2020

Terms & Conditions

EMS516



Key Information

Name of Award	Ealing Music Service Singing Award
Funded by	Ealing Music Award in partnership with Ealing Choral Society
Administered by	Ealing Music Service
Application deadline:	Monday 9th March 2020
Shortlisted Applicants informed	Week Beg: 16 th March 2020
Audition date & time:	4 th & 5 th April 2020
Audition venue:	Location: London College of Music, University of West London (Ealing)

Award Eligibility

- Applicants must:
 - be living in and/or studying in Ealing
 - be between 8 and 22 years old at time of application
 - demonstrate musical promise and commitment
- Applications must be submitted by submitting a video no more than 4 mins in length of a solo performance, unaccompanied or with accompaniment or backing track.
- The video recording can be a solo as part of a choir performance, but it must be sufficient to clearly demonstrate the singer's ability.
- A professional recording is NOT required however the quality of sound must be clear from the recording.
- The application must be supported by a written application form. If both are not submitted the application will not be considered.
- Awards will be made on merit.
- Further priority will be given to applicants on benefits or whose families are experiencing financial hardship (supporting evidence will be required).
- Applicants currently in receipt of benefits will be given priority in the event of a tie.

Instructions

- Please read these Terms & Conditions thoroughly before applying for this award.
- Award entries must be submitted online via the Ealing Awards Online Application Form ([EMS506e](#))
- Videos can be uploaded via this form or e-mailed to ealingmusicservice@ealing.gov.uk
- Applications must be completed by school teacher, headteacher, choir leader or music subject lead in conjunction with the parent/guardian if applicant is under 18 years old at time of application.
- In addition to the EMS506e form, applicants must upload a video of the applicant performing solo (not as part of a choir unless singing a solo as part of a choir performance) no more than 4 mins in length
- Forms received after the deadline will not be considered.
- Applicants who are unable to use the online form should email ealingmusicservice@ealing.gov.uk to request a paper version.
- If an applicant is successful in the initial application stage, they must undertake an audition adjudicated by a specialist panel.
- If the applicant requires an accompanist for the audition (if shortlisted) they must arrange one independently
- The Ealing Singing Award may be applied for alongside any of the other Ealing Music Awards.
- Applicants, if successful, may not apply again within 2 years of the end of the original award.

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1. Eligibility

1.1. Applicants must:

- 1.1.1. be living in Ealing or in full time education in Ealing or (over 18) living in Ealing if working or studying out of Ealing
- 1.1.2. be between 8 and 22 years old at time of application.
- 1.1.3. have at least one year's experience singing as part of a choir or group preferably and demonstrate musical promise and commitment.

1.2. Awards will be made on merit. Further priority will be given to those on benefits or those under 18 whose parent / guardian is on benefits.

1.3. Priority will be given to first-time applicants.

2. The Award

2.1. Awards are made to assist the singer with costs associated with singing including, but not restricted to: Singing lessons, membership of a choir, accessories, exam/accompanist costs, masterclasses & concert attendance

2.2. Winners of each award receive the following amounts:

- Junior Singing Award - £500 per annum
- Senior Singing Award - £500 per annum
- Ealing Choral Society Award - £500 per annum plus free membership to Ealing Choral Society for 2 years including solo performance opportunities, music hire and access to masterclasses worth up to £100 per annum

2.3. Ealing Choral Society Award (16 – 22 years)

- Must be able to, and willing to join the **Ealing Choral Society** and commit to regular rehearsal on Monday evenings from 7.35 – 9.45pm at Ealing Green Church Hall and to take part in ECS concerts.
- Annual Membership of Ealing Choral Society included in the award.
- Applicants of this award **MUST** be able to follow a musical score; some sight-reading ability is an advantage.
- Successful candidate must meet the approval of the ECS Conductor.

2.4. Successful applicants will be divided and judged within the following age categories:

- 2.4.1.1. **Junior Singing Award** – In year 4 – 6 at time of application
- 2.4.1.2. **Senior Singing Award** – In year 7 – 11 at time of application
- 2.4.1.3. **Ealing Choral Society Award** – Aged 16 – 22 at time of application.

2.5. The maximum monetary award amount possible is £500 per annum.

2.6. Award payments will ideally be made directly to the supplier or service provider rather than to the applicant. Successful applicants must contact EMS before arranging any purchases or provision.

3. Equal Opportunities and Diversity

3.1. We encourage applications from candidates with special needs who should make any requirements known via this form and reasonable adjustments will be made.

3.2. We welcome applications from candidates from a range of musical cultures and backgrounds including the music of all parts of the world, folk and popular music styles.

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4. Audition

- 4.1. Candidates will be chosen for audition on the basis of the application form. Not every candidate will receive an invitation to audition.
- 4.2. Candidates will receive notification of audition time approximately two weeks before audition.
- 4.3. Two copies of the lyrics and manuscripts of each piece (if applicable) must be provided for the panel. These must be given to the panel at the audition.
- 4.4. Auditions will last no more than 15 minutes, comprising of a 5-8 minute performance of **one** or **two** short pieces followed by a short interview with the panel.
- 4.5. If performing 2 pieces, candidates should aim perform two contrasting pieces in order to demonstrate their skills as a performer. Each piece must be of no longer than 4 minutes each.
- 4.6. Candidates are invited to bring their own accompanist if required. If the candidate requires an accompanist, they will need to be sourced independently (one will not be provided on the day) and cost will need to be covered independently.
- 4.7. Backing tracks may be allowed but must be provided in advance (as an MP3) so the panel can check the quality. Performers will NOT be allowed to use a microphone
- 4.8. Karaoke machines are not allowed.

5. Image/Video consent

- 5.1. In applying for this award, applicants/parents/guardians give permission for Ealing Music Service and/or London Borough of Ealing to use images/video of the applicant in printed publications and online. If you would prefer images are NOT used in the media, please inform EMS at the time of application.

Applications should be made via [EMS506e](#) online form, found at www.ealingmusicservice.com/awards

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