

COUNTRY DANCE AND SONG SOCIETY

2009 Matching 'Youth' Scholarship for BACDS American Dance & Music Week Information

The Country Dance and Song Society is sponsoring a major campaign to foster the involvement of young people in the traditions of English and Anglo-American music, dance and song. One aspect of this effort is to substantially increase their scholarship and grant programs. This is the second year of their matching scholarship program targeted for young adults to attend non-CDSS programs.

Matching scholarships are available for young campers (age 18-30) to attend Bay Area Country Dance Society (BACDS) English Dance and Music Week and BACDS American Dance and Music Week. BACDS camps may accept applicants age 15-17 on a case-by-case basis if a guardian is available and space permits.

CDSS will pay half the camper fee, and a local sponsoring group would commit to the other half.

If you are a potential camper interested in this scholarship, approach your local group with the information and application form (the group must apply on your behalf).

If you are a group leader/organizer with a young adult in your community who demonstrates community leadership potential in dance, music or song, let them know about the camp and the scholarship and help them with the application process.

To apply for this scholarship:

- The sponsoring group must fill out the top part of the application form
- We recommend a letter from the sponsoring group supporting your applicant
- The individual must:
 - Fill out the second half of the application form
 - Download and fill out the BACDS camp registration form
 - Send both the matching scholarship application (with sponsoring group's support letter) and the BACDS camp registration form to the camp registrar listed on the form

The camp lottery deadline (in case of oversubscription) is March 14 (postmarked) *so make sure to submit your application in time for the lottery*. We will notify you in April.

As the CDSS matching scholarship program grows, they will target additional West Coast dance and music weeks, and then hope to expand to non-CDSS programs across North America. We invite you to help CDSS in this work with your generous donations.

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2009 Matching 'Youth' Scholarship Application for BACDS American Dance and Music Week

The matching scholarship program is designated for young adults (age 18-30) who demonstrate community leadership potential in dance, music or song.

PART 1. For Sponsoring Group:

Group Name _____

Address _____

Contact Person _____

Phone (day) _____ Phone (eve) _____

Email _____

Group Contract Statement (please read and sign): We are prepared to contribute **\$412.50** (half the registration fee). We request that this be matched dollar for dollar by CDSS. If our applicant is accepted, we will pay our share to BACDS by May 14, 2009.

signature of sponsoring group officer or representative (other than applicant)

Please enclose a letter of support from the group.

PART 2. For Individual Being Sponsored:

Name _____ M/F Age* _____

Address _____

Phone (day) _____ Phone (eve) _____

Email _____

* Applicants age 15-17 may be accepted on a case-by-case basis if space permits and a guardian is available. If you are in this age group, please provide the name and contact info for a guardian applying for the same BACDS week:

II. How are you involved in your local dance/music/song community? (feel free to use the back)

III. Why do you want to attend this camp? (feel free to use the back)

signature of applicant

CDSS publishes a list of scholarship recipients. By submitting this application you have given your permission to CDSS to publish your name, should you receive a scholarship.

Return form (along with letter of support and BACDS camp registration form) by **March 14** (postmarked), to: **BACDS, c/o Loren Kalmen, 2211 Latham St, # 310, Mountain View, CA, 94040**. For more info (775) 240-6117, www.bacds.org/amweek.