

American Harp Society, Inc. GRANT RECIPIENTS

Year 2018-19 Grant Awards:

Total awarded to applicants as of November 15, 2018: \$8,900.00

- 1) The Toronto Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for 2015 Student Scholarship Auditions. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 2) AHS, Inc. member Jeanne O'Connell for workshop and two performances by Patrice Fisher and Arpa for the Central Gulf Coast Chapter (in process of applying for chapter reinstatement). **Awarded:** \$700.00
- 3) AHS, Inc. member Angelica Hairston to commission a piece for harp and organ by composer Maurice Draughn to be premiered at Challenge the Stats 2019. **Awarded:** \$1500.00
- 4) AHS, Inc. member Merynda Adams to commission a piece for harp and violin by composer Ædan McEvoy to be premiered at Chamber Music For Charity. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 5) West Michigan Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for their summer harp scholarship fund. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 6) Dallas Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for guest artist Janet Witman. **Awarded:** \$700.00
- 7) AHS, Inc. member Elisa M Torres for guest artist faculty residency by Maria Luisa Rayan at Glissando 2019 in Puerto Rico. **Awarded:** \$2000.00
- 8) AHS, Inc. member Karen Grimsey to commission three patriotic arrangements for the Armed Forces Harp Sextet by composer Daniel Burton to be premiered at the 2019 AHS Summer Institute. **Awarded:** \$1000.00
- 9) AHS, Inc. member Rebecca Todaro for the Baton Rouge Harp Festival scholarships **Awarded:** \$750.00

Year 2017-18 Grant Awards:

Total awarded to applicants as of April 15, 2018: \$20,500.00

- 1) AHS, Inc. member Elizabeth Huston for four student Scholarships to 2018 AHS National Conference. **Awarded:** \$520.00 Update October 15, 2018: Fewer scholarships were given, and the unused funds (\$130.00) were returned to the AHS, Inc.
- 2) AHS, Inc. member Emily Barnes to commission a harp concerto by composer Maxwell Lafontant. **Awarded:** \$700.00
- 3) Dallas Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for guest artist Sasha Boldachev. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 3) Washington DC Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for guest artist Dallas Harp Quartet. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 4) AHS, Inc. members Ann Hobson Pilot and Angelica Hairston to commission a piece for harp and tenor by composer Joel Thompson to be premiered at Challenge the Stats 2018. **Awarded:** \$1500.00
- 5) AHS, Inc. member Wendy Kerner to commission a piece for harp duo by composer Brandee Younger. **Awarded:** \$700.00
- 6) AHS, Inc. member Ann Yeung to commission a piece for harp and flute by composer Richard Prior. **Awarded:** \$800.00
- 7) Philly Harp Week for student scholarships **Awarded:** \$1,200.00
- 8) Central New York Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for guest artist Kim Roberston. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 9) AHS, Inc. member Charles Lynch for the Mesa Public Schools Harp Scholarship Program **Awarded:** \$1,250.00
- 10) West Texas Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for guest artist Sasha Boldachev. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 11) AHS, Inc. member Matthew Agen to commission a piece for harp ensemble by composer Rachel Brandwein. **Awarded:** \$800.00
- 12) Pittsburgh Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for guest artist Sasha Boldachev. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 13) West Coast Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for scholarships for summer harp study. **Awarded:** \$1500.00

- 14) AHS, Inc. member Heather Cornelius to commission a piece for harp and guitar by composer Nathan Cornelius. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 15) AHS, Inc. member Anita Clark Jaynes to commission a piece for harp and brass quintet by composer Keith Michael Davis. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 16) West Virginia University Summer Harp Camp for harp student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 17) Archipelago Collective Community Recital Series for harp recital series. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 18) The Cincinnati Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for harp lesson scholarships for harp students in the Cincinnati public schools. **Awarded:** \$400.00
- 19) AHS, Inc. member Kristina Finch to commission a piece for solo harp with narration by composer Clare Shore. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 20) AHS, Inc. member Jaymee Haefner to commission a piece for harp and violin by composer Libby Larsen to be premiered by the Crimson Duo. **Awarded:** \$2000.00
- 21) AHS, Inc. member Susan Knapp Thomas to commission a piece for harp ensemble by composer Molly O’Roark for the Connecticut Valley Harp Intensive Summer Camp 10th Anniversary. **Awarded:** \$900.00
- 22) The Elyrica Summer Harp Chamber Music Program for harp student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1150.00
- 23) The HARPS Foundation, American Youth Harp Ensemble for Harp Therapy Outreach Program in partnership with Richmond Resources for Independent Living. **Awarded:** \$1000.00

Year 2016-17 Grant Awards:

Total awarded to applicants as of April 15, 2017: \$20,000.00

- 1) AHS, Inc. member Laura Sherman for “Bach on the Triple Harp” **Awarded:** \$400.00
- 2) Philly Harp Week for student scholarships **Awarded:** \$1,800.00
- 3) AHS, Inc. member Mary Dropkin to commission a piece for harp quartet by composer Raymond Burkart to be premiered by the LA Harptette at the 2018 AHS National Conference. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

- 4) AHS, Inc. member Rebekah Efthimiou to commission a piece for solo harp by composer Freya Waley-Cohen. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 5) AHS, Inc. member Charles Lynch for the Mesa Public Schools Harp Scholarship Program **Awarded:** \$2,250.00
- 6) AHS, Inc. member Emily Levin to commission a collection of four pieces inspired by Shel Silverstein for solo harp by composers: Jonathan Cziner, Will Healy, Nina C. Young, and Max Grafe. **Awarded:** \$1000.00
- 7) AHS, Inc. member Virginia Schwenger for student scholarships (\$900) and guest artist honoraria (\$300) at the Virginia Harp Camp **Awarded:** \$1,200.00
- 8) AHS, Inc. member Rebecca Anstine Smith to commission a piece for harp and organ by composer Peter Mathews. **Awarded:** \$1000.00
- 9) Lyra Society Glissando Project for six school presentations. **Awarded:** \$1500.00
- 10) Eugene Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for guest artist fees during “Harp Day” at the University of Oregon. **Awarded:** \$700.00
- 11) Morgantown Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for student scholarships to the Performance Academy Harp Program and a masterclass. **Awarded:** \$600.00
- 12) Homewood Foundation for Excellence, harp lesson scholarships in Homewood schools. **Awarded:** \$900.00
- 13) AHS, Inc. member Stephanie Claussen and the Minnesota Scottish Harp Weekend, judges fee and competition prize money for Scottish Harp Society of America competition. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 14) Great Plains Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for guest artists and conductor fees at “Harpening 2017.” **Awarded:** \$1000.00
- 15) AHS, Inc. member Angela Schwarzkopf to commission a piece for harp and vibraphone by composer Elisha Denburg. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 16) The Elyrica Summer Harp Chamber Music Program for harp student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1050.00
- 17) AHS, Inc. member Colleen Thorburn for ten student scholarships to Harp Day at Virginia Commonwealth University. **Awarded:** \$400.00 Update May 22, 2017: Only five scholarships were given, and the unused funds (\$200.00) were returned to the AHS, Inc.
- 18) Nashville Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for Duo Scorpio Masterclass and Concert. **Awarded:** \$600.00

19) The HARPS Foundation, American Youth Harp Ensemble for "Sound Experience" program with the Boys and Girls Club. **Awarded:** \$700.00

20) AHS, Inc. members Rachel Mazzuco and Vincent Pierce for Permian Basin Harp Camp student scholarships (\$700) and teacher honorariums (\$750). **Awarded:** \$1450.00

Year 2015-2016 Grant Awards:

Total awarded to applicants as of April 15, 2016: \$20,000.00

1) Los Angeles Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for the "Los Angeles Celebration of the Harp: New Music" for composition competition prizes **Awarded:** \$1,800.00

2) ~~AHS, Inc. member Laura Sherman for "Bach on the Triple Harp"~~ **Awarded:** ~~\$400.00~~ This event was canceled, and the funds were returned to the AHS, Inc.

3) AHS, Inc. members Danielle Bash & Liz Huston for "Philadelphia Harp Boot Camp" student scholarships **Awarded:** \$2,000.00 (Renamed "Philly Harp Week")

4) AHS, Inc. member Kathryn Harms to commission a piece "I ran out of black paint and sunshine" for string quartet and harp by composer Kurt M. Mehlenbacher. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

5) Nashville Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for the Chicago Harp Quartet Masterclass and Concert. **Awarded:** \$1250.00

6) AHS, Inc. member Angela Schwarzkopf to commission a piece for solo harp by composer Monica Pearce. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

7) Georgia Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. to commission a harp ensemble arrangement for the 2016 National Conference. **Awarded:** \$500.00

8) AHS, Inc. member Karen Miller for the Mesa Public Schools Harp Scholarship Program **Awarded:** \$1,500.00

9) Midwest Harp Festival for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$500.00

10) Eugene Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for Alexander Technique workshop during "Harp Day" at the University of Oregon. **Awarded:** \$500.00

11) The Morgantown Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for Guest Artist Nuiko Wadden. **Awarded:** \$500.00

- 12) Summer Harp Academy for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$700.00
- 13) ~~University of Redlands Summer Harp Camp 2015 for student scholarships.~~ **Awarded:** ~~\$400.00~~ This event was canceled, and the funds were returned to the AHS, Inc.
- 14) The Central New York Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for Anne Sullivan Workshop. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 15) AHS, Inc. member Elizabeth Jaxon for Online Harp Repertoire Database **Awarded:** \$575.00
- 16) Paschal Orchestra Booster Association for summer harp lessons scholarships for one middle school and one high school harp student. **Awarded:** \$1225.00
- 17) The Baltimore Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for a Masterclass and concert with Adriana Horne. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 18) The Philadelphia Chapter of the American Harp Society for the "Mid Atlantic Harp Day 2015" artist fees. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 19) The HARPS Foundation, American Youth Harp Ensemble for "Sound Experience" program with the Boys and Girls Club. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 20) ~~The Washington DC Chapter of the American Harp Society for concert artist fee.~~ **Awarded:** ~~\$500~~ This event was canceled, and the funds were returned to the AHS, Inc. in September 2017.
- 21) AHS, Inc. member Stephanie Claussen and the Minnesota Scottish Harp Weekend, judges fee for Scottish Harp Society of America competition. **Awarded:** \$300.00
- 22) Homewood Foundation for Excellence, harp lesson scholarships in Homewood schools. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 23) The Elyrica Summer Harp Chamber Music Program for harp student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1050.00
- 24) AHS, Inc. member Elisa M. Torres to commission a piece by composer Johanny Navarro for flute and harp. **Awarded:** \$800.00
- 25) AHS, Inc. member Julie Smith Philips to commission a piece by composer Hannah Lash for solo harp. **Awarded:** \$800.00

Year 2014-2015 Grant Awards:

Total awarded to applicants as of April 20, 2015: \$20,000.00

- 1) Eugene Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for "Harp Day" at the University of Oregon. **Awarded: \$500.00**
- 2) AHS, Inc. member Mercedes Gomez for "Play for Toy Theater and Harp Ensemble." **Awarded: \$500.00**
- 3) AHS, Inc. member Jaymee Haefner to commission a piece by composer Patricio da Silva for the harp and violin duo Crimson. **Awarded: \$1,500.00**
- 4) The Toronto Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for 2015 Student Scholarship Auditions. **Awarded: \$1,000.00**
- 5) AHS, Inc. member Claire Happel to Commission a piece by composer Hannah Lash "Leaves and Space" for the harp and double bass duo River Town Duo. **Awarded: \$1,500.00**
- 6) AHS, Inc. member Colleen Thorburn to Commission a piece by composer Rachel Brandwein for the French horn and harp duo Apple Orange Pair. **Awarded: \$1,000.00**
- 7) Georgia Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for the "Mega Harp Concert" **Awarded: \$500.00**
- 8) Southwestern Virginia Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for the Southwest Virginia Harp Masterclass. **Awarded: \$500.00**
- 9) Midwest Harp Festival for student scholarships. **Awarded: \$1,000.00**
- 10) ~~AHS, Inc. member Jennifer Ellis to Commission a piece featuring the harp by composer Terry Riley for the Harpist Commissioning Collective to be premiered at the World Minimal Music Festival. Awarded: \$2,000.00~~ This commission was canceled, and the funds were returned to the AHS, Inc.
- 11) University of Redlands Summer Harp Camp 2015 for student scholarships. **Awarded: \$400.00**
- 12) Summer Harp Academy for student scholarships. **Awarded: \$1,000.00**
- 13) USA International Harp Competition for Composition Contest Award. **Awarded: \$2,000.00**
- 14) Dallas Chapter of American Harp Society for the "Composer Competition." **Awarded: \$500.00**

- 15) The Metro Harp Chapter of the American Harp Society for the "Sam Milligan Harp Festival for Youth" artist and judges fees. **Awarded:** \$550.00
- 16) Philadelphia Chapter of the American Harp Society for the "Mid Atlantic Harp Day 2015" Apple Orange Pair concert fee. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 17) AHS, Inc. member Kathryn Andrews to commission a harp duet for Duo Scorpio by Paul Patterson. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00. *In June 2015, the Grant committee voted and approved amending the April 2015 Duo Scorpio grant to include the unused funds from their April 2014 grant (see 2013-2014 no. 11 below).
- 18) AHS, Inc. member Melissa Tardiff Dvorak to commission a flute and harp duet *The Nightingale* by Katherine Hoover. **Awarded:** \$400.00
- 19) AHS, Inc. member Stephanie Claussen and the Minnesota Scottish Harp Weekend, judges fee for Scottish Harp Society of America competition. **Awarded:** \$350.00
- 20) AHS, Inc. member Maryanne Meyer to commission a saxophone and harp duet for Duo Nouveau by Jeremy Gill. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 21) AHS, Inc. member Emily Klein to commission a new work for mezzo-soprano and harp by Thomas Dougherty as part of the "Holocaust Music Project" commission **Awarded:** \$500.00 and artist fees **Awarded:** \$300.00
- 22) American Youth Harp Ensemble for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 23) Young Artists Harp Seminar for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

Year 2013-2014 Grant Awards:

Total awarded to all applications: \$19,950.00

- 1) University of Redlands Summer Harp Camp 2014 for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 2) Los Angeles Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for the "Los Angeles Celebration of the Harp: New Music" for audio recording **Awarded:** \$300.00 and for competition prizes **Awarded:** \$1,800.00
- 3) AHS, Inc. member Linda-Rose Hembreiker to Commission a piece by composer Yo Goto for the harp and piano duo *Mystère*. **Awarded:** \$600.00
- 4) AHS, Inc. member Meghan Caulkett for 47 Strings Harp Concert Series "Learning Through Music Residency." **Awarded:** \$2,500.00

- 5) Georgia Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for the "Young Performers Concert Debut." **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 6) New Orleans Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for the "Annual Concert & Harp Rally" for video production **Awarded:** \$500.00 and artist fees **Awarded:** \$1,500.00
- 7) North Shore Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for the "Harptalk Radio Series" audio engineering fees **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 8) Summer Harp Academy for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1,250.00
- 9) AHS, Inc. member Teresa Suen-Campbell for "Heavenly Harp" project guest artist fee. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 10) Midwest Harp Festival for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1,250.00
- ~~11) AHS, Inc. member Kristi Shade for Duo Scorpio commission. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00.~~
This commission was unable to be completed and Duo Scorpio notified the AHS, Inc. in June 2015 offering to remit the funds. The Grant committee voted and approved amending the April 2015 Duo Scorpio grant (see 2014-2015 no. 17 above) to include these funds.
- 12) AHS, Inc. member Claire Happel for bass & harp commission. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00
- 13) AHS, Inc. member Marguerite Lynn Williams for Chicago Harp Quartet commission. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 14) Young Artists Harp Seminar for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 15) American Youth Harp Ensemble for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1,250.00
- 16) USA International Harp Competition for "Harp Start." **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

Year 2012-2013 Grant Awards:

Total awarded to applicants: \$20,000.00

- 1) University of Redlands Summer Harp Camp for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 2) American Harp Society in Dallas for its 50th Anniversary Composer Competition. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 3) AHS, Inc. member Tasha Smith Godinez for a harp solo commission. **Awarded:** \$2,500.00

- 4) AHS, Inc. member Jacqueline for a harp and saxophone double concerto commission by . **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 5) New Orleans Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for the New Orleans Jazz & Pop Harp Weekend 2013. **Awarded:** \$2,500.00
- 6) Midwest Harp Festival for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$2,500.00
- 7) Southwest Florida Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for a Harp Workshop. **Awarded:** \$400.00
- 8) HS member Elizabeth Morgan-Ellis for a solo harp commission. **Awarded:** \$600.00
- 9) AHS, Inc. member Elizabeth Jaxon to commission a harp duo for the Atlantic Harp Duo. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 10) AHS, Inc. member Kathryn Andrews to commission *Two Bridges* by Andy Akiho for Duo Scorpio. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 11) West Coast Harp Society for a commission for solo harp or harp with string ensemble. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 12) Summer Harp Academy for their Scholarship Program. **Awarded:**\$1,000.00
- 13) AHS, Inc. member Marguerite Lynn Williams for the Chicago Harp Quartet Composition Competition. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 14) USA International Harp Competition for “Harp Start.” **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 15) AHS, Inc. member Alyssa Reit for a Harp and Story commission. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 16) AHS, Inc. member Susan Bennett Brady for Young Artist’s Harp Seminar, Inc. scholarship. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 17) American Youth Harp Ensemble for scholarship fund. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

Year 2011-2012 Grant Awards:

Total awarded to applicants: \$19,900.00

- 1) Baltimore Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for a harp ensemble commission. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 2) North Shore Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for an Alfredo Ortiz residency. **Awarded:** \$2,500.00

- 3) AHS member Kristi Shade to commission *Scorpion Tales* by Robert Paterson for Duo Scorpio. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
- 4) New Orleans Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for Jazz Harp Weekend. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00
- 5) AHS member Anna Maria Mendieta for harp concerto commission. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
- 6) AHS member Elizabeth Morgan-Ellis for Camac 40th Anniversary Conference. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 7) USA International Harp Competition for “Harp Start” **Awarded:** \$900.00 and Composition Contest Award. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
- 8) AHS member Kerstin Allvin for Naoko Yoshino Concert and Masterclass. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
- 9) AHS member Adriana Horne for Southwest Harp Festival. **Awarded:** \$1,100.00
- 10) AHS member Patrice Fisher for “Harptalk Radio Series.” **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 11) AHS member Susan Bennett Brady for Young Artist’s Harp Seminar, Inc. scholarship. **Awarded:** \$3,900.00

Year 2010-2011 Grant Awards

Total awarded to applicants: \$20,000.00

- 1) Orange County Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for their annual harp music composition contest. **Awarded:** \$700.00
- 2) Harps Around Rockford Project for the Allegro Academy. **Awarded:** \$3,600.00
- 3) West Coast Harp Society of the American Harp Society, Inc. to subsidize registration for five students who are AHS members to attend the 11th World Harp Congress in Vancouver in July 2011. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
- 4) Dancesence, Inc. for the Artist commission fee and videography expenses for their Dis-Illusions project. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 5) New Orleans Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. to cover the cost for the audio engineer for five interviews that have already been done for the Harptalk Radio Interview series. **Awarded:** \$2,500.00

- 6) Young Artists Harp Seminar to fund two student AHS members full tuition or partial tuition for more students as YAHS sees fit. **Awarded:** \$3,700.00
- 7) AHS member Rebecca Squire to commission a work of several short movements from Dr. Thomas Duffy for Harpeggios (a student harp ensemble) and Trinity Choirs. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
- 8) AHS member Elaine Barber to commission James Sclater to write a suite of Brazilian folk dances for two harps. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 9) Central New York Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for a master class and recital by Ina Zdorovetchi. **Awarded:** \$400.00
- 10) International Harp Museum for two guest artist performance fees for their 2012 Anniversary Celebration and Concert Series. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
- 11) Toronto Chapter of the American Harp Society, Inc. for partial funding of their Canadian composer competition contest award. **Awarded:** \$1,600.00