



## GRANT RECIPIENTS

### Year 2025-26 Grant Awards:

**Total awarded as of May 1, 2022:** \$9,200.00\*

- 1) The Coastal Carolina Chapter of the American Harp Society for their Wilmington Harp Day guest artist Jacqueline Pollauf. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 2) The MetroHarp Chapter of the American Harp Society for a solo recital by Sivan Magen. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 3) AHS member Charles Overton to commission a new, one movement, through-composed piece for harp, violin, and cello by Sam Wu to be premiered by the Trio Oko in the Spring of 2028 in Boston, MA. **Awarded:** \$2,200.00
- 4) AHS member Johanna Wienholts to partially fund a \$12,000 harp sonata commission for solo harp and by Quinn Mason to be premiered in 2027-2028 season at UW Madison, and published by early 2028. **Awarded:** \$3,000.00
- 5) The Willamette Valley Chapter of the American Harp Society for a harp “Boot Camp” and Veterans Day Concert in November 2026. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 6) The Puerto Rico Chapter of the American Harp Society to commission *Ecosystems of Puerto Rico*, a suite of short musical miniatures for two or four part beginning to intermediate harp ensemble by Puerto Rican composer Juan Cruz to be premiered in 2026 at one or both of the major educational music festivals at the Puerto Rico Conservatory of Music: Glissando and/or IX String Festival. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00
- 7) The New Orleans Chapter of the American Harp Society for Cindy Horstman concert and class residency August 27-31, 2026, partial guest artist fee. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 8) The Ontario (formerly Toronto) Chapter of the American Harp Society for 2027 Student Scholarship Adjudication Event. **Awarded:** \$500.00

\*The AHS Grants Program budget was \$10,000 for FY 2025-2026, and \$800 of the budgeted funds remain unused. This is the result of the AHS Grants Committee

prioritizing funding: AHS chapter projects; fully funding impactful and credible projects that support the AHS mission, membership, and community as a whole; and supporting new applicants that have not previously received AHS Grant funds.

### **Year 2024-25 Grant Awards:**

**Total awarded as of April 15, 2024:** \$0.00

The AHS Grants Program, along with many other AHS programming took a hiatus as part of the organization's the strategic plan to assess programing needs and budgets over the next five years.

### **Year 2023-24 Grant Awards:**

**Total awarded as of April 15, 2024:** \$13,900.00\*

- 1) The West Coast Chapter of the American Harp Society for a matching grant to award student scholarships for summer harp study. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 2) The Coastal Carolina Chapter of the American Harp Society for Wilmington Harp Day 2024 workshop and lecture by guest artist Molly O'Roark. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 3) AHS member Emily Kleine Goldstein for a guest artist masterclass by Paula Page at Harpisphere 2024. **Awarded:** \$300.00
- 4) The Nashville Chapter of the American Harp Society for a concert and workshop by guest artist Cindy Horstman. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 5) AHS member Alexis Lyon and the Multicultural Music Fellowship to partner with the Women's Audio Mission for a youth harp club (ages 5 - 10 years old) recording project (non-commercial and not for profit). **Awarded:** \$300.00
- 6) AHS members Nancy Lendrim, Paula Page, and Kimberly Rowe for an historical photo display at the Camden Harp Celebration - A Tribute to the Salzedo Harp Colony and Alice Chalifoux which will be shared with the International Harp Archives after the event. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 7) AHS member Amy Nam to commission *The Fae Nucleus* for electric lever harp and electronics by William Calhoun to be premiered in 2024-2025 season in collaboration with the Minnesota Chapter of the American Harp Society. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 8) The Phoenix Chapter of the American Harp Society for the 2024 Arizona Harp Competition to fund scholarship awards. **Awarded:** \$750.00

9) The Cincinnati Chapter of the American Harp Society for a residency by guest artist Park Stickney in February 2024 featuring several performances and masterclasses in collaboration with the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music and Cincinnati's School for the Creative and Performing Arts (grades 4-12). **Awarded:** \$750.00

10) AHS member Laura Zaerr to commission two harp duets: *Sun* by Julia Kay Jamieson and *Drawing Stars* by Laura Zaerr to be premiered at the Heart of the Valley Harp Retreat in Corvallis, Oregon on January 14, 2024. **Awarded:** \$500.00

11) The Los Angeles and San Diego Chapters of the American Harp Society for "SO Vibrant Together!" A southern California residency by guest artist Caroline Lizotte in February 2024 featuring performances and masterclasses in Los Angeles, Irvine, and San Diego. **Awarded:** \$1500.00

12) The MetroHarp Chapter of the American Harp Society for a recital and masterclass with Hanna Cope Johnson April 26 & 27, 2024. **Awarded:** \$800.00

13) AHS member Leigh Brown to commission *Hemel en Aarde - Heaven and Earth* for voice and harp by Lisa Neher to be premiered on April 12, 2024 at the Chehalem Cultural Center. **Awarded:** \$1000.00

14) AHS member Katherine Oliver to digitize AHS historical materials housed in the Library of Congress. **Awarded:** \$800.00

15) AHS member Sivan Magen to commission *Saucerful of Memories* a harp concerto by Gilad Cohen to be premiered by Sivan Magen and the Roosevelt Island Orchestra conducted by Benjamin Hochman at the Good Shepherd Church in New York, NY on April 6, 2024. **Awarded:** \$1000.00

16) AHS member Teresa Suen-Cambell (Wan Ting Suen) to commission a work for solo harp by Bun-Ching Lam to be premiered on November 24, 2024 in collaboration with the Ontario Chapter of the American Harp Society and a grant from the Canadian Music Centre. **Awarded:** \$1000.00

17) The Bay Area Chapter of the American Harp Society for student scholarships to the "Summer Harp Series" workshops and harp ensemble intensives hosted in collaboration with the Bay Area Harp & Music Academy and the San Jose Youth Symphony Harp Ensembles. **Awarded:** \$1100.00

18) AHS member Kathryn Fenstermacher and Arts Place (a not-for-profit) for harp student tuition scholarships in rural Indiana. **Awarded:** \$1100.00

\*The AHS Grants program budget was \$15,000 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, and some of the awards were declined prior to the check being issued by the AHS.

## **Year 2022-23 Grant Awards:**

**Total awarded as of May 1, 2023:** \$18,200.00

- 1) AHS member Rebecca Anstine Smith to commission an 8-10 minute work for harp and organ by Maurice Draughn suitable for workshop or recital settings, to be premiered in the fall of 2023 in collaboration with the Washington DC and Baltimore Chapters of the American Harp Society. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00
  
- 2) AHS member Elinor Niemesto to commission a harp concerto by Timothy Mahr to be premiered in November 2023 in collaboration with the Cannon Valley Regional Orchestra to showcase a high school or young collegiate harpist. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
  
- 3) The Ontario (formerly Toronto) Chapter of the American Harp Society for 2023 Student Scholarship Auditions. **Awarded:** \$450.00
  
- 4) The Puerto Rico Chapter of the American Harp Society to commission a 5-10 minute work for four part harp ensemble by Alberto Guidobaldi to be premiered in June 2023 at the Glissando Harp Camp at the Puerto Rico Conservatory of Music. **Awarded:** \$1,200.00
  
- 5) The Tucson (Saguaro) Chapter of the American Harp Society to present two workshops "Tools to Arrange Classical and/or Folk Music" and "Explore Syncopation Through the Study of Latin Music" as well as a recital of "Works for the Modern Lever Harp" with guest artist Amelia Romano.\* These events will be presented in February 2023 by S.O.P.H.I.A. a collaboration between the Tucson Chapter of the AHS and the Old Pueblo Harpers Chapter of the International Society of Folk Harpers and Craftsmen. **Awarded:** \$800.00
  
- 6) AHS member Elizabeth Huston to commission a work for a mailable ensemble of three to six harps with effects pedals entitled *For Yves, After Hiroshi* by Nicholas Norton. The work will be premiered in September 2023 on the Synchrony series in Los Angeles and again at the Hear Now Festival in May 2024. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
  
- 7) AHS member Hope Wilk to commission a work for two harps and two percussionists by Caroline Mallonee to be premiered in collaboration with the Western New York Chapter of the American Harp Society and the Liminal Space Ensemble on May 20, 2023 in Buffalo, NY. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
  
- 8) AHS member Tula Ruggiero to commission a work for harp and bass by Walker Williams to be premiered on March 9, 2023 at Shepherd University in West Virginia. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
  
- 9) The Greater Houston Chapter of the American Harp Society for the 2023 Mildred Milligan Scholarship Competition. **Awarded:** \$600.00

10) The Tidewater Chapter of the American Harp Society for student scholarship awards at the Hampton Roads Harp Festival and Competition in March 2023.

**Awarded:** \$1,000.00

11) The Orange County Chapter of the American Harp Society for student scholarship awards at the chapter's Scholarship Competition & Masterclass in March 2023. **Awarded:** \$500

12) AHS member Heather Cornelius to commission a 5-8 minute work for solo harp by Nathan Cornelius to raise awareness about mental health to be premiered in the spring of 2024 at the University of Minnesota with a subsequent performance for the Minnesota Chapter of the American Harp Society. **Awarded:** \$750.00

13) AHS members Annalynn Waddy and Calista Koch for student scholarships to "So You Want to Play the Harp" Camp. **Awarded:** \$900.00

14) The North Shore Chapter of the American Harp Society for mentorship and instruction in their "Harps for Havana" project, a collaboration with Cuban harpist Anaya Nunez and harp students at Colegio San Gregorio in Havana. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00

15) AHS member Elizabeth Mayo to commission a 12-15 minute work entitled *Desire Lines* for harp and two saxophones by Amy Nam to be premiered in January 2024 in Rochester, NY in collaboration with the Rochester Chapter of the American Harp Society. **Awarded:** \$750.00

16) AHS member Hope Cowan\* to commission the 2nd and 3rd movements of a 30-35 minute tragic monodrama for solo harp, multichannel electroacoustic sound, and lighting by Timothy Roy entitled *Valentina V* with compositional materials partially derived from the medieval song "La hare de melodie" by Jaco de Senleches. The work will be premiered at the Newberry Library in Chicago during a free public program in 2024 in collaboration with the composer Timothy Roy, musicologist Lucia Marchi, the Greater Chicago Chapter, and Central Illinois Chapter of the American Harp Society. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00

\*Note the funds awarded indirectly to Amelia Romano and directly to Hope Cowan were granted prior to their becoming members of the AHS Board of Directors in June 2023. Sitting Board members and Grants Committee members are not eligible to receive AHS grant funds.

## Year 2021-22 Grant Awards:

**Total awarded as of April 15, 2022:** \$28,350.00\*

1) AHS member Elisabeth Remy Johnson to commission *Small World* (working title) for harp, flute, clarinet, oboe/English horn, and viola by Lynne Plowman to be premiered by the Merian Ensemble in Atlanta, GA at Emory University in March 2022. **Awarded:** \$500.00

2) AHS member Michelle Lundy and The Washington DC Chapter of the American Harp Society to commission a piece by Eduardo Angulio for Flute, Viola, and Harp to be premiered by the Beau Soir Ensemble in November 2022. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00 for the Commission Fee, and \$250 for the chapter to subsidize ticket costs and pay non-harpist artist fees.

3) The Lyra Society Glissando Project for for teaching artist fees. **Awarded:** \$2,500.00

4) AHS member Chelsea Lane to commission two works for solo harp for harp by Molly Joyce and Ellis Ludwig-Leone to be premiered in New York City and released on Spotify in the Spring of 2022. **Awarded:** \$1,900.00 (\$800 for each composer - and strongly encouraged to collaborate with an AHS chapter for the premiere performance.)

5) The Phoenix Chapter of the American Harp Society for the 2022 Arizona Harp Competition to fund scholarship awards. **Awarded:** \$750.00

6) AHS member Chen-Yu Huang to commission a work by Zhou Tian for Flute, Viola, and Harp to be premiered by the Formosa Trio at the University of Kentucky. **Awarded:** \$2,500.00.

7) AHS member Jaymee Haefner to commission *The Dust in my Eyes, the Cracks on my Hands* for harp and violin by composer Jeffrey Paul to be premiered by the Crimson Duo at the AHS 2022 National Conference in Sioux Falls, SD. **Awarded:** \$3,000.00

8) The HARPS Foundation & American Youth Harp Ensemble (DBA the GreenSpring Foundation) for artist fees for harpists Charles Overton and Rebecca Anstine-Smith, as well as organist Diane Kinsley for the 2022 concert series and masterclasses. **Awarded:** \$1,300.00

9) AHS member Vonda Darr to commission *Echoes from the South (for two harps)* by composer Martin David Jones to be premiered by the Vega Harp Duo at the AHS 2022 National Conference in Sioux Falls, SD. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

10) AHS member Kathryn Sloat to commission a piece *Metanoia* (working title) for two harps by composer Jin Hee Han to be premiered by Lilac 94 on the chamber music series Piano by Nature on June 11, 2022 in Elizabethtown, NY. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

11) AHS member Alyssa Reit to create a set of arrangements of Lenape myths for storyteller and harp with supplemental percussion, to be premiered as part of Q Studio Lab's "Fairytale Project and at Saint Paul's Church National Historic Site.

**Awarded:** \$1,850.00

12) The West Michigan Chapter of the American Harp Society for their 2022 summer harp scholarship fund. **Awarded:** \$500.00

13) AHS member Melissa Achten to commission *Scatter-Adapt-Remember* for harp, guitar, and marimba by composer Tom Baker to be premiered in Seattle, WA and as a digital streaming release in 2023. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00 (and strongly encouraged to collaborate with an AHS chapter for the premiere performance.)

14) AHS member Michelle Gott to commission for solo harp and electronics by Canadian composer Andrew Staniland to be premiered in Ottawa, Canada in December 2022 and released in 2023 on the Album *On This Starry Night*. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00 (and encouraged to collaborate with an AHS chapter for the premiere performance.)

15) The San Jose Youth Symphony to commission the second movement of Composer Isaiah Castro's *Concerto for Harp Ensemble & Orchestra* to be premiered by the San Jose Youth Symphony Chamber Orchestra on May 28, 2022. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

16) AHS member Baltazar Juarez to fund the 2nd and 3rd place prizes in four divisions for the Mexico International Harp Competition and Festival in Mexico City, November 2022. **Awarded:** \$4,800.00

\*The AHS Grants program budget was increased for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

### **Year 2020-21 Grant Awards:**

**Total awarded as of April 15, 2021:** \$20,200.00\*

1) The Ontario (formerly Toronto) Chapter of the American Harp Society for 2021 Student Scholarship Auditions. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

2) AHS member Amelia Theodoratus to commission two pieces for solo harp by Milica Paranosic and Joshua Carro to be premiered on the classical concert series at St. John's in the Village, New York, NY in spring of 2021. **Awarded:** \$1,400.00 (\$700 per composition)

3) The North Eastern Mountain Chapter of the American Harp Society for three online presentations by guest artist Nancy Thym. **Awarded:** \$750.00

- 4) AHS member Vanessa Sheldon to commission a harp concerto by Masatoshi Mitsumoto to be premiered by the Mt. San Jacinto College Orchestra with Dr. Vanessa Sheldon as soloist during the 2021-2022 season. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 5) The Bay Area Chapter of the American Harp Society for guest artist fees for Wednesday Harp Lunch Break Concerts streamed online. **Awarded:** \$1000.00
- 6) AHS member Rachel Brandwein to commission *Seasons of Praise: Suite for Harp and Organ* by Dr. Aaron David Miller to be premiered via recording in May 2021. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 7) The Dallas Chapter of the American Harp Society for online workshops by guest artist Julia Kay Jamieson. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 8) The West Michigan Chapter of the American Harp Society for their 2021 summer harp scholarship fund. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 9) The Low Country Chapter of the American Harp Society to commission a harp ensemble arrangement of Gullah Spirituals by Rhett Barnwell to be premiered in the Fall of 2021. **Awarded:** \$850.00 (Commission Fee \$500, Conductor Fees \$350)
- 10) AHS member Teresa Mango to commission a harp duet by Liza Wallace to be premiered in 2021. **Awarded:** \$800.00
- 11) Summer Harp Academy for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 12) Cambridge in America in conjunction with Kings College, Cambridge to commission a work for solo harp by Nico Muhly with optional narration text by Alice Goodman to be premiered by Parker Ramsey in April 2022. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00
- 13) AHS member Katherine Healzer for Silicon Valley Healing Harps “Harp-O-Grams” initiative for Veterans and medial staff at the Palo Alto Veterans Hospital. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 14) The Greater 2021 Chapter of the American Harp Society for the Mildred Milligan Scholarship Competition. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 15) AHS member Allison Allport for “Harp In the Park” camp scholarships. **Awarded:** \$400.00
- 16) AHS member Hope Cowan to commission a work for flute, viola, and harp by Alejandro Basulto to be premiered by the Lynx Trio in 2022. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
- 17) AHS member Robin Gordon-Cartier for “Taking My Seat” In-School Workshops led by legacy makers of color in the harp field and Webinar led by young students of color during the 2021-2022 school year. **Awarded:** \$3,000.00
- 18) The Puerto Rico Chapter of the American Harp Society for the Puerto Rico Chapter Harp Competition 2021. **Awarded:** \$750.00

19) AHS member Erin Brooker-Miller for the Mozart Cadenza Project. **Awarded:** \$1,250.00

20) The Orange County Chapter of the American Harp Society for Student Scholarship Competition. **Awarded:** \$750.00

\*The additional \$200 over the \$20,000 originally budgeted for grants is due to funds from prior projects that were returned in the 2020-2021 fiscal year prior to April 2021.

### **Year 2019-20 Grant Awards:**

**Total awarded as of April 15, 2020:** \$20,000.00

1) AHS member Elisabeth Remy Johnson to commission a piece for harp, flute, clarinet, oboe/English horn, and viola by Brazilian-American composer Clarice Assad to be premiered by the Merian Ensemble in Atlanta, GA in March 2020. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00 *Update: as of 5/26/20 Premiere postponed to April 2021.*

2) The Lyra Chapter of the American Harp Society for guest presenter fees at Harp Day 2019. **Awarded:** \$350.00

3) The Phoenix Chapter of the American Harp Society for the 2020 Young Arizona Artist Competition to fund scholarship awards. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

4) AHS member Sonja Inglefield to commission a solo harp piece by Uno Alexander Vesje to be premiered by Jasmine Hogan during the session "Ruth Inglefield: A Celebration of Her Life and Legacy" at the 2020 World Harp Congress. **Awarded:** \$2,950.00 *Update: as of 3/24/20 World Harp Congress and the premiere postponed to 2021.*

5) The Houston Youth Harp Ensemble for 2020 spring and 2020 Fall semester student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$500.00 *Update: Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, the fall semester scholarship funds in the amount of \$225 were returned to AHS in January 2021.*

6) AHS member Joseph Rebman for guest speaker Colin Campbell, certified Lyon & Healy Harp Technician, to give a presentation about a career as a harp technician at Cincinnati's School for Creative and Performing Arts. **Awarded:** \$150.00

7) AHS member Mallory McHenry to commission a piece for flute and harp by composer Joshua Weinberg to be premiered in Austin, TX in the spring of 2020. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

- 8) AHS member Virginia Schweninger for student scholarships (\$750) and guest artist honoraria (\$250) at the Harp Camp Virginia 2020. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00 *Update: as of 6/19/20 Harp Camp Virginia postponed to 2021.*
- 9) AHS member Megan Bledsoe Ward to commission *How to be a human being* for harp and high voice (soprano or tenor) with text from the poem of the same name by Chad Murphy to be premiered in the fall of 2020 by a consortium of several different duo ensembles. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 10) The Barton Harp Initiative for student scholarships to the 2020 Midwest Harp Festival. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 11) The New Orleans Chapter of the American Harp Society for Erin Hill residency at the New Orleans Jazz & Pop Harp Weekend 2020. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- ~~12) AHS member Elise Kelle to research "Modern Lessons from the Ancient Harp" with Masumi Nagasawa, single-action harpist and educator for future *American Harp Journal* publications on the challenges of performing early classical repertoire on a modern instrument. **Awarded:** \$800.00 *Update: as of 6/8/20 Research residency cancelled due to COVID-19 Pandemic and the funds were returned to the AHS*~~
- 13) Friends of the School of the Arts for two group harp classes at San Francisco Asawa School of the Arts harp classes. One class for harpists as a primary instrument, and one class for harp as a secondary instrument. **Awarded:** \$1,400.00
- 14) The Elyrica Summer Harp Chamber Music Program for harp student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$550.00 *Update as of 6/3/20 Elyrica transitioned to an online event and still plans to use the funds for student scholarships in 2020.*
- 15) The Arizona Friends of Chamber Music to commission Yuanyuan (Kay) He, John Muniz, and Vincent Calianno to score approximately 11 minutes each of Buster Keaton's 1924 silent film *Sherlock Jr.* for harp, violin, cello and clarinet to be performed on Chamberhood's Silent Film Concert in April 2021. **Awarded:** \$1,200.00 for composer and \$800 for musicians
- 16) AHS member Catherine Case to commission a piece for flute, harp and percussion by composer Alexandra Garnder to be premiered in the spring of 2021 at Pacific Lutheran University. Additional plans to perform at Greater Seattle Chapter spring event, and submit proposals to perform at 2021 or 2022 AHS national event as well. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00
- 17) Urban Youth Harp Ensemble for Lilac 94 harp duo residency and masterclasses in August 2020. **Awarded:** \$800.00
- 18) The Puerto Rico Chapter of the American Harp Society to commission a piece for mixed level four part harp ensemble by Josué Vera about Puerto Rico's flora or fauna, to be performed at Glissando 2020. **Awarded:** \$500.00

19) AHS member Laura Sherman to commission *Coconut Grove* for solo harp by Charles Mason to be premiered at the 2021 AHS National Conference. **Awarded:** \$2,000.00

### **Year 2018-19 Grant Awards:**

**Total awarded as of April 15, 2019:** \$15,590.00

1) The Toronto Chapter of the American Harp Society for 2019 Student Scholarship Auditions. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

2) AHS member Jeanne O'Connell for workshop and two performances by Patrice Fisher and Arpa for the Central Gulf Coast Chapter (in the process of officially reinstating the chapter at the time of grant application). **Awarded:** \$700.00

3) AHS member Angelica Hairston to commission *Trilogy* for harp and organ by composer Maurice Draughn to be premiered at Challenge the Stats 2019. **Awarded:** \$1500.00

4) AHS 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) The West Michigan Chapter of the American Harp Society for their 2019 summer harp scholarship fund. **Awarded:** \$500.00

6) Dallas Chapter of the American Harp Society for guest artist Janet Witman. **Awarded:** \$700.00

7) AHS member Elisa M. Torres for guest artist faculty residency by Maria Luisa Rayan at Glissando 2019 in Puerto Rico. **Awarded:** \$2000.00

8) AHS 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 member Rebecca Todaro for the Baton Rouge Harp Festival scholarships **Awarded:** \$750.00

10) The Archipelago Collective to commission *Nevertheless* a duet for bassoon and harp by Dr. Megan Bledsoe Ward to be premiered by Dana Jackson and Sophie Baird-Daniel at the fifth annual Archipelago Collective chamber music festival in September 2019. **Awarded:** \$500.00

11) The 2019 Elyrica Summer Harp Chamber Music Program for harp student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1190.00

12) Synchrony to commission a harp duet by Nicholas Deyoe to be premiered by Catherine Litaker and Elizabeth Huston during the 2019-2020 season on the Synchrony concert series, at CalArts as part of a three composition workshops, and on the WasteLAnd concert series. **Awarded:** \$2000.00

13) The Lyra Society for the 2020 Costello Competition for Composition prize money. **Awarded:** \$1000.00

14) AHS member Lizary Rodríguez Ríos to commission a solo harp piece by Puerto Rican composer Sonia Ivette Morales-Matos to be premiered at the 2019 Boston Harptacular on a program showcasing works by female Latin-American composers. **Awarded:** \$2000.00

### **Year 2017-18 Grant Awards:**

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

1) AHS member Elizabeth Huston for four student Scholarships to 2018 AHS National Conference. **Awarded:** \$520.00 *Update: Fewer scholarships were given and the unused funds in the amount of \$130.00 were returned to the AHS, in October 2018.*

2) AHS member Emily Barnes to commission a harp concerto by composer Maxwell Lafontant. **Awarded:** \$700.00

3) Dallas Chapter of the American Harp Society for guest artist Sasha Boldachev. **Awarded:** \$500.00

3) Washington DC Chapter of the American Harp Society for guest artist Dallas Harp Quartet. **Awarded:** \$500.00

4) AHS 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 member Wendy Kerner to commission a piece for harp duo by composer Brandee Younger. **Awarded:** \$700.00

6) AHS member Ann Yeung to commission a piece for harp and flute by composer Richard Prior. **Awarded:** \$800.00

7) AHS member Elizabeth Steiner for Philly Harp Week for student scholarships **Awarded:** \$1,200.00

8) Central New York Chapter of the American Harp Society for guest artist Kim Roberston. **Awarded:** \$500.00

- 9) AHS member Charles Lynch for the Mesa Public Schools Harp Scholarship Program **Awarded:** \$1,250.00
- 10) West Texas Chapter of the American Harp Society for guest artist Sasha Boldachev. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 11) AHS 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 for guest artist Sasha Boldachev. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 13) West Coast Chapter of the American Harp Society for scholarships for summer harp study. **Awarded:** \$1500.00
- 14) AHS member Heather Cornelius to commission a piece for harp and guitar by composer Nathan Cornelius. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 15) AHS 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 for harp lesson scholarships for harp students in the Cincinnati public schools. **Awarded:** \$400.00
- 19) AHS member Kristina Finch to commission a piece for solo harp with narration by composer Clare Shore. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 20) AHS member Jaymee Haefner to commission ...*snow-haze, moonlight* for harp and violin by composer Libby Larsen to be premiered by the Crimson Duo at the 2022 AHS National Conference in Sioux Falls, SD. **Awarded:** \$2000.00
- 21) AHS 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

\*\*The additional \$500 over the \$20,000 originally budgeted for grants is due to funds from prior projects that were returned in the 2017-2018 fiscal year prior to April 2018.

### **Year 2016-17 Grant Awards:**

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

- 1) AHS member Laura Sherman for “Bach on the Triple Harp” **Awarded:** \$400.00
- 2) AHS member Liz Huston for Philly Harp Week for student scholarships **Awarded:** \$1,800.00
- 3) AHS 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 member Rebekah Efthimiou to commission a piece for solo harp by composer Freya Waley-Cohen. **Awarded:** \$750.00
- 5) AHS member Charles Lynch for the Mesa Public Schools Harp Scholarship Program **Awarded:** \$2,250.00
- 6) AHS 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 member Virginia Schweninger for student scholarships (\$900) and guest artist honoraria (\$300) at the Harp Camp Virginia 2017 **Awarded:** \$1,200.00
- 8) AHS 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 for guest artist fees during “Harp Day” at the University of Oregon. **Awarded:** \$700.00
- 11) Morgantown Chapter of the American Harp Society 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 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 for guest artists and conductor fees at "Harping 2017." **Awarded:** \$1000.00
- 15) AHS 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 member Colleen Thorburn for ten student scholarships to Harp Day at Virginia Commonwealth University. **Awarded:** \$400.00 *Update: Only five scholarships were given, and the unused funds (\$200.00) were returned to the AHS, in May 2017.*
- 18) Nashville Chapter of the American Harp Society 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 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 as of April 15, 2016:** \$20,000.00

- 1) Los Angeles Chapter of the American Harp Society for the "Los Angeles Celebration of the Harp: New Music" for composition competition prizes **Awarded:** \$1,800.00
- 2) AHS member Laura Sherman for "Bach on the Triple Harp" **Awarded:** ~~\$400.00~~ *Update: This event was canceled, and the funds were returned to the AHS*
- 3) AHS members Danielle Bash & Liz Huston for "Philadelphia Harp Boot Camp" student scholarships **Awarded:** \$2,000.00 (Renamed "Philly Harp Week")
- 4) AHS 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 for the Chicago Harp Quartet Masterclass and Concert. **Awarded:** \$1250.00

- 6) AHS 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 to commission a harp ensemble arrangement for the 2016 National Conference. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 8) AHS 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 for Alexander Technique workshop during "Harp Day" at the University of Oregon. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 11) The Morgantown Chapter of the American Harp Society 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~~ *Update: This event was canceled, and the funds were returned to the AHS*
- 14) The Central New York Chapter of the American Harp Society for Anne Sullivan Workshop. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 15) AHS 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 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~~ *Update: This event was canceled, and the funds were returned to the AHS in September 2017.*
- 21) AHS 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 2016 Elyrica Summer Harp Chamber Music Program for harp student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1050.00

24) AHS member Elisa M. Torres to commission a piece by composer Johanny Navarro for flute and harp. **Awarded:** \$800.00

25) AHS 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 as of April 20, 2015:** \$20,000.00

1) Eugene Chapter of the American Harp Society for "Harp Day" at the University of Oregon. **Awarded:** \$500.00

2) AHS member Mercedes Gomez for "Play for Toy Theater and Harp Ensemble." **Awarded:** \$500.00

3) AHS member Jaymee Haefner to commission *Violin and Harp Music (I. West this Way, II. We're not in Kansas Anymore, III. Hands On)* 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 for 2015 Student Scholarship Auditions. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

5) AHS 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 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 for the "Mega Harp Concert" **Awarded:** \$500.00

8) Southwestern Virginia Chapter of the American Harp Society for the Southwest Virginia Harp Masterclass. **Awarded:** \$500.00

9) Midwest Harp Festival for student scholarships. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00

10) AHS 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~~ *Update: This commission found additional funding, and the funds were returned to the AHS*

- 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 the 5th Triennial Composition Contest prize to be awarded in 2016. **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 member Kathryn Andrews to commission a harp duet for Duo Scorpio by Paul Patterson. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00. *Update: 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 member Melissa Tardiff Dvorak to commission a flute and harp duet *The Nightingale* by Katherine Hoover. **Awarded:** \$400.00~~ *Update 6/22/20: Project canceled, funds returned to AHS.*
- 19) AHS member Stephanie Claussen and the Minnesota Scottish Harp Weekend, judges fee for Scottish Harp Society of America competition. **Awarded:** \$350.00
- 20) AHS member Maryanne Meyer to commission *Sonata Antiphona* for alto saxophone and harp by Jeremy Gill premiered by Duo Nouveau. **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 21) AHS member Emily Klein to commission a new work for mezzo-soprano and harp by Hilary Purrington 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 as of April 15, 2014:** \$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 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 member Linda-Rose Hembreiker to Commission a piece by composer Yo Goto for the harp and piano duo *Mystère*. **Awarded:** \$600.00
- 4) AHS 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 for the "Young Performers Concert Debut." **Awarded:** \$500.00
- 6) New Orleans Chapter of the American Harp Society 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 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 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 member Kristi Shade for Duo Scorpio commission. Awarded: \$1,500.00.~~  
*Update: This commission was unable to be completed and Duo Scorpio notified the AHS 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 member Claire Happel for bass & harp commission. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00
- 13) AHS 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 as of April 15, 2013: \$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 member Tasha Smith Godinez for a harp solo commission. **Awarded:** \$2,500.00
- 4) AHS member Jacqueline Polauf to commission *Iluminismo* Concertino-Doppio for Alto Saxophone, Harp, and String Orchestra for harp by Adrian Pertout. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 5) New Orleans Chapter of the American Harp Society 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 for a Harp Workshop. **Awarded:** \$400.00
- 8) HS member Elizabeth Morgan-Ellis for a solo harp commission. **Awarded:** \$600.00
- 9) AHS member Elizabeth Jaxon to commission a harp duo for the Atlantic Harp Duo. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 10) AHS 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 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 member Alyssa Reit for a Harp and Story commission *The Emperor's New Clothes*. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 16) AHS member Susan Bennett Brady for Young Artist's Harp Seminar 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 as of April 15, 2012: \$19,900.00**

- 1) Baltimore Chapter of the American Harp Society for a harp ensemble commission. **Awarded:** \$1,000.00
- 2) North Shore Chapter of the American Harp Society 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 for Jazz Harp Weekend. **Awarded:** \$1,500.00
- 5) AHS member Anna Maria Mendieta to commission *Harp Concerto: Chiaroscuro en Flor* by Christopher Pratorius Gómez. **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 4th Triennial Composition Contest prize to be awarded 2013. **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 scholarship. **Awarded:** \$3,900.00

### **Year 2010-2011 Grant Awards**

**Total awarded to as of April 15, 2011:** \$20,000.00

- 1) Orange County Chapter of the American Harp Society 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 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) Dancessence 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 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 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 for partial funding of their Canadian composer competition contest award. **Awarded:** \$1,600.00