

**Fielder Career Advancement Grant 2011-2012**  
**Application**

To be eligible for the WMMC Fielder Career Advancement Grant, the applicant must be a US Citizen, a Texas resident, between the ages of 22-32 as of November 15, 2011, and fully prepared for a professional vocal career. A tape or CD recording of the applicant's voice must include three selections of contrasting styles and languages. Two recommendations must be provided. The non-refundable application fee is \$35.00.

Application postmark deadline is Nov. 15, 2011.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age (as of 11-15-11): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Voice Classification: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Voice Teacher/Coach:

\_\_\_\_\_

<b>Education:</b>		
<u>School</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Date</u>

Your three musical selections should be chosen from the following categories:  
Arias, Art Songs, Lieder, Song Cycles, and/or Oratorio.  
All songs must be performed in the original key and language and **accompanied by piano only, not full orchestration.**  
One selection must be in English, and one must be an opera aria in a foreign language.

<b>CD Selections:</b>				
<u>Title</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>Composer</u>	<u>Key</u>	<u>Length</u>
1) _____				
2) _____				
3) _____				

Brief statement of how you plan to use the Grant money to further your career goals:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

<b>Professional Recommendations:</b>		
Must be from an opera director, coach or conductor. <b>Recommendations from current teachers or family members will not be accepted.</b>		
<u>Name</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Phone</u>
1) _____		
2) _____		

Please attach the following:

- A current resume which includes performance history, any previous awards and honors, biographical information, and career goals
- List of anticipated auditions with estimated expenses
- Two signed recommendations (**see requirement above**) **may be emailed**
- A copy of your birth certificate or passport
- A copy of your driver's license or other proof of Texas residency
- An 8x10 publicity photo
- Audiotape or CD, labeled with songs listed on application
- \$35.00 check made payable to WMMC (non-refundable)

Send a copy of the completed application and supporting materials, in a single packet to:

WMMC Fielder Grant Committee  
 c/o Carol Granger  
 5918 Northwest Pl.  
 Austin, TX 78731

**Applications must be postmarked by November 15, 2011.**

Finalists will be required to appear in Austin on March 21, 2012 for live auditions. The final selection of grantees will be made at that time. Total grant money up to \$6,000 may be awarded. Grantees will be expected to submit a usage report to the committee.

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I certify that I am eligible to apply for this grant and that the information provided on the application and accompanying materials is correct.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_