



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKET

Conservatory of Flamenco Arts Scholarship Application for Fall 2018 – Summer 2019

APPLICATION DUE DATE: WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018

AWARD NOTIFICATIONS: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018

Youth and young adults who demonstrate merit and financial need may apply for a scholarship to the programs offered by the National Institute of Flamenco. For consideration for 2018-2019 Conservatory of Flamenco Arts Scholarships, this application must be filled out completely and returned no later than Wednesday, July 25th, 2018. Scholarships will be awarded using a scoring rubric based on the responses provided in the attached application.

Paper applications must be completed in full, signed, and returned to the National Institute of Flamenco (1620 Central Ave SE, Abq, NM 87106).

Questions?

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SCHOLARSHIP #1
NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS & TUITION SUBSIDY

Approximate number of scholarships available – (15-25 TOTAL)

Eligibility:

- New Mexico residents only may apply.
- Applicants must demonstrate financial need; preference will be given to applicants whose total household income does not exceed 300% of the 2018 Federal Poverty Guidelines. Income verification must be provided.
- Available to youth and young adults between the ages of 5-17.
- Scholarships are available for students training at ALL LEVELS at the Conservatory.
- NEW students and beginning students are encouraged to apply.

Description of Scholarship:

- Students awarded this scholarship will receive tuition subsidy toward their Conservatory tuition for one academic year. The Conservatory pays for 50% and the family pays for 50% of the child's total yearly tuition.
- There will be a small number of full (100% tuition subsidy) scholarships awarded.
- The scholarship is valid from **Fall Semester 2018 – Summer Semester 2019**.
- Scholarship recipients are required to fulfill the minimum attendance requirements for each class in which they are enrolled for the full year. Students are welcome to attend as many additional classes as they would like (at their level or below) at no extra charge.

Terms and Conditions:

- Families must agree to provide a copy of their 2017 tax return for income verification, as part of this application.
- If awarded, families must agree to 12 monthly auto payments for their 50% portion of the annual Conservatory tuition. Auto payments will be charged to a credit card on file from August 2018 – July 2019.
- Awardees must agree to attend class regularly (minimum requirements based on student level) and must demonstrate an exceptional work ethic, including:
 - positive attitude; respect for teachers, guest artists, and fellow students; a strong work ethic in class, and a personal drive to continually improve throughout the year
- Awardees must write an exit letter about their training experience at the Conservatory.
- Scholarship parents or family members are **required to volunteer fifteen (15) hours** towards NIF fundraising efforts throughout the year.

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SCHOLARSHIP #1 – Need-based Scholarships & Tuition Subsidy

Please verify that you are applying for the correct scholarship by initialing in the box below.

SCHOLARSHIP #1 – Need-based Scholarships & Tuition Subsidy

(SCHOLARSHIP #2 – Proceed to Page #7.)

SECTION #1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (if applicant is under 18):

Relationship to Applicant: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Name of Child's School: _____

Are you currently studying Flamenco at the University of New Mexico? _____

Current Class Level: _____

Are you currently enrolled at the Conservatory of Flamenco Arts? _____

Current Class Level: _____

SECTION #2: APPLICANT TRAINING INFORMATION

How many years have you studied flamenco? _____

What is your current level of study in flamenco? _____

Where have you received your flamenco training? _____

In what areas do you study flamenco (i.e. baile, cante, guitar, cajón)?

Have you ever received a scholarship to attend the Conservatory of Flamenco Arts? Please check all that apply.

- Never Yes, in 2017 - 2018 Yes, in 2016 - 2017 Yes, prior to 2016

STATEMENT OF MERIT

Please include a brief statement supporting why you wish to receive a scholarship to the Conservatory of Flamenco Arts. How do you hope to improve your training and grow as an artist by receiving this scholarship?

SECTION #3: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Applicants must demonstrate financial need; preference will be given to applicants whose total household income does not exceed 300% of the 2018 Federal Poverty Guidelines. Please refer to the table below.

2018 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR THE 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

PERSONS IN FAMILY/HOUSEHOLD	POVERTY GUIDELINE	POVERTY GUIDELINES					
		125%	150%	175%	200%	250%	300%
1	\$12,060	\$15,075.00	\$18,090.0	\$21,105.00	\$24,120	\$30,150.0	\$36,180
2	\$16,240	\$20,300.00	\$24,360.0	\$28,420.00	\$32,480	\$40,600.0	\$48,720
3	\$20,420	\$25,525.00	\$30,630.0	\$35,735.00	\$40,840	\$51,050.0	\$61,260
4	\$24,600	\$30,750.00	\$36,900.0	\$43,050.00	\$49,200	\$61,500.0	\$73,800
5	\$28,780	\$35,975.00	\$43,170.0	\$50,365.00	\$57,560	\$71,950.0	\$86,340
6	\$32,960	\$41,200.00	\$49,440.0	\$57,680.00	\$65,920	\$82,400.0	\$98,880
7	\$37,140	\$46,425.00	\$55,710.0	\$64,995.00	\$74,280	\$92,850.0	\$111,420
8	\$41,320	\$51,650.00	\$61,980.0	\$72,310.00	\$82,640	\$103,300.0	\$123,960

*For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$4,180 for each additional person.

Total combined annual income for your household: _____

Household size: _____

Total number of dependents under the age of 18: _____

PLEASE NOTE THAT INCOME MUST BE VERIFIED TO QUALIFY FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP.

STATEMENT OF NEED

Please provide a brief statement of financial need supporting your scholarship application. Please write in the space provided below.

SECTION #4: SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS

1. **INCOME VERIFICATION:** Please include a **COPY** of your **2017 Federal Income Tax Return**. DO NOT include original documents. Please black out your Social Security Number from all forms. Income verification must be provided for award consideration.
2. **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION:** Please include a **letter of recommendation** from your child's dance teacher, school teacher, or other instructor. Please ask your teacher to include information about your child's motivation in class, work ethic, and consistency in class.

IMPORTANT!

- Please attach the supplemental documents to this application or provide an envelope with all of your application materials.
- Please make sure all documents are clearly labeled with the applicant name.
- Your application will not be considered complete without the requested items.

SECTION #5: PLEASE SIGN TO COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION

By signing this form I agree that all of the above statements in this application are true and accurate.

Applicant (or Parent/Guardian) Signature

Date

NEW SCHOLARSHIP!! - #2
MERIT and PERFORMANCE-BASED AWARDS

Approximate number of scholarships available – (1-3 TOTAL)

Eligibility:

- New Mexico residents only may apply
- Applicants must demonstrate high levels of facility and technical capacity for their training level, as well as a strong desire to continually deepen their knowledge of flamenco and pursue growth as young practitioners in this art form.
- Available to youth and young adults between the ages of 9-22
- Applicants must have completed a minimum of two (2) years of study at the Conservatory of Flamenco Arts or at the University of New Mexico.
- Applicants must demonstrate proficiency and artistry. Applicants will attend an audition class and perform a short solo for the scholarship committee.

Description of Scholarship:

- Students awarded this scholarship will receive full tuition coverage to study at the Conservatory of Flamenco Arts for one academic year. This scholarship covers 100% of all tuition expenses.
- The scholarship is valid from **Fall Semester 2018 – Summer Semester 2019**.
- Scholarship recipients are required to fulfill the minimum attendance requirements for each class in which they are enrolled for the full year. Students are welcome to attend as many additional classes as they would like (at their level or below) at no extra charge.
- Students will receive two (2) complimentary tickets to an *Yjastros* performance during the 2018-2019 Season.
- Students will receive (2) complimentary ticket to *Tablao Flamenco Albuquerque* during the 2018-2019 Season.

Terms and Conditions:

- Awardees must agree to attend class regularly (minimum requirements based on student level) and must demonstrate an exceptional work ethic, including:
 - positive attitude; respect for teachers, guest artists, and fellow students; a strong work ethic in class, and a personal drive to continually improve throughout the year
- Awardees must write an exit letter about their training experience at the Conservatory.
- Scholarship parents or family members are **required to volunteer fifteen (15) hours** towards NIF fundraising efforts throughout the year.
- Students will not receive merit awards for more than one year and must wait a year between awards before reapplying.

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SCHOLARSHIP #2 – Merit and Performance-Based Awards

Please verify that you are applying for the correct scholarship by initialing in the box below.

SCHOLARSHIP #2 – Merit and Performance-Based Awards

(SCHOLARSHIP #1 – Return to page #2.)

SECTION #1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (if applicant is under 18):

Relationship to Applicant: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Name of Child's School: _____

Are you currently studying Flamenco at the University of New Mexico? _____

Current Class Level: _____

Are you currently enrolled at the Conservatory of Flamenco Arts? _____

Current Class Level: _____

SECTION #2: APPLICANT TRAINING INFORMATION

How many years have you studied flamenco? _____

What is your current level of study in flamenco? _____

Where have you received your flamenco training? _____

In what areas do you study flamenco (i.e. baile, cante, guitar, cajón)?

Have you ever received a scholarship to attend the Conservatory of Flamenco Arts? Please check all that apply.

- Never Yes, in 2017 - 2018 Yes, in 2016 -2017 Yes, prior to 2016

STATEMENT OF MERIT

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SECTION #3: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please check one box. Total combined annual income for your household:

- Under \$25,000 per year
- \$25,000 - \$50,000 per year
- \$50,000 - \$75,000 per year
- \$75,000 - \$100,000 per year
- \$100,000 - \$150,000 per year
- Over \$150,000 per year

Household size: _____

Total number of dependents under the age of 18: _____

SECTION #4: SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS

- **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION:** Please include a **letter of recommendation** from your child's dance teacher, school teacher, or other instructor. Please ask your teacher to include information about your child's motivation in class, work ethic, and consistency in class.

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SECTION #5: AUDITION & SOLO MATERIAL

Applicants must demonstrate proficiency and artistry. Applicants will attend an audition class and perform a short solo for the scholarship committee.

- Applicant may perform material they have been working on in class or a solo they have created on their own.
- The dates of the audition class and solo performance will be announced.
- The applicant's submission will not be considered complete until they have completed the audition/performance.

SECTION #6: PLEASE SIGN TO COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION

By signing this form I agree that all of the above statements in this application are true and accurate.

Applicant (or Parent/Guardian) Signature

Date