



Young Artist Project

Presented by the Amarillo Symphony Guild

Rationale & Development

- Several of our Symphony musicians are also music teachers.
- Our Symphony musicians brought it to our attention that many students who desire to take music lessons and learn more about their instruments need lessons but are not able to afford them.

Purpose

- Through an application process, six high school students are provided music lessons at no cost to them during the school year.
- Each student receives 15 hours of private music lessons.

Volunteers

- Chairman:
 - Contacted local high schools to refer application information.
- Selection Committee:
 - Made up of 5 volunteers and the Executive Director of the Amarillo Symphony.

Timeline

- April: Send out application information to local high schools.
- May:
 - Selection Committee meets and makes choices.
 - Students are informed of their selection.
 - Students are paired with instructors.
- During the school year: Committee monitors lessons and coordinates payment for instructors.

Financial Information

- Revenue: \$0
- Expenses: \$2598 (Budgeted Expenses: \$4600 – Lessons were temporarily postponed due to COVID-19 Restrictions)
- Net Profit: (\$2598)

Obstacles and Difficulties

- COVID-19 Restrictions on in-person lessons.
 - 5 Students were able to continue lessons with their instructors using video capabilities.
- Narrowing the applicants to six recipients.

Community Impact

- The Amarillo Symphony Guild used this project to promote students' continuing interest in music, when they would otherwise not be able to afford music lessons.
- We looked for opportunities to showcase the students' talents.
- Our goal is to enhance the talent and passion for music of six students each year.