

Bellingham Music Club

November, 2011

Dear Whatcom County Musician and Music Teacher,

The Bellingham Music Club is announcing the 2012 competition for the *Lena Montgomery Vocal Awards* of \$400, \$300, and \$200 for high school students residing in Whatcom County. An application form and a copy of the guidelines is enclosed, both of which may be duplicated. We suggest you encourage your interested students to perform selections which show his or her present abilities and competency. However, please limit the number of your recommended students to at most three.

Auditions will be held on Monday evening, February 13, 2012 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 119 Texas Street, from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. The recipients of the Lena Montgomery Vocal Awards will be announced at the end of these auditions, and the recipients will perform for The Bellingham Music Club at their 10:30 a.m. program on Wednesday, March 7, 2012 at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Emphasize to your student(s) the need to return the completed application and a brief bio, as well as the \$15 fee as soon as possible, but no later than February 1, 2012. This is necessary to schedule specific audition times. Remind them to provide an accompanist if needed.

Thank you for your cooperation. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Best regards,



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Audition Guidelines for the Lena Montgomery Vocal Awards

Date: Monday evening, February 13, 2012 starting 5:30pm

Place: Trinity Lutheran Church, 119 Texas St.

Application Deadline: Applications must be *postmarked* on/before **February 1, 2012**

Auditions:

Music should be memorized and reflect and display your present abilities and competency. Limit performing time to between 5 and 10 minutes.

Provide a copy of your music for the adjudicator (at the time of the audition.)

Provide a prepared and reliable piano accompanist if needed.

Should you be a winner of an award, be prepared to perform at the Wednesday, March 7, 2012 BMC program at Trinity Lutheran Church at 10:30 a.m. Awards of \$400 for first place, \$300 for second place, and \$200 and third place, will be presented at that concert.

Invite any of your family and friends to come to the Monday, March 13 auditions as an audience member. Award winners will be announced about 15 minutes after the end of the competition.

If you have any questions, call Pat Clarke, (360) 734-0649 (home).

Mail your completed applications, a brief bio and a check for the \$15 registration fee, made out to "The Bellingham Music Club", *before February 1, 2012* to:

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In the event that the adjudicator announces a tie, the winners will share two or more of the awards. For example, if two participants tie for first place, then there will be no second place, and the two winners share the \$400 and \$300 awards equally.

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Vocal Scholarship Application

Student's Name _____

Complete Address _____

City, State and Zip _____

Telephone(s) _____ Email _____

Name of High School _____ Grade _____

Choir Director _____ Phone _____

and/or Voice Teacher _____ Phone _____

Accompanist _____

1. Composition title and Composer

2. Composition title and Composer

Total Time Limit 15 minutes

On the back of this paper, please include a brief biography of no more than 125 words written in the third person. This will be used in the program of our award winners who will be performing for members and friends of the Bellingham Music Club on Wednesday morning, 10:30AM, March 7 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 119 Texas St (corner of Texas and Cornwall)

Please mail the completed form, with the brief bio and \$15. application fee to Pat Clarke, Bellingham Music Club, 222 Highland Drive, Bellingham, WA 98225.

Please note: Application must be postmarked by February 1, 2012.