



85th Annual

Scholarship Auditions

(For Current Undergraduate Students who will be continuing their undergraduate music studies at an accredited Alabama College or University for the 2026-2027 academic year)

Saturday, March 7, 2026

Buchanan Hall, Samford University

\$2,500 First Place Piano - Mildred Volentine Green Piano Scholarship

\$1,500 Second Place Piano - Charles C. and Julia W. Anderson Piano Scholarship

\$2,500 First Place Voice - Penelope Cunningham Scholarship Voice Scholarship

\$1,500 Second Place Voice - Dr. Oscar and Ellen Dahlene Scholarship for Voice

\$2,500 First Place Instrumental - Stuart Mims Instrumental Scholarship

\$1,500 Second Place Instrumental - The Guild of the BMC Instrumental Scholarship

\$2,500 First Place String Instrument -

\$1,500 Second Place String Instrument -

\$1,000 Best Performance Award selected from the First Place Winners

- the Walter Sechriest Award, an additional \$1,000 for the overall winner.

Judges will select First and Second Place winners in each category. No student who has won first place in any previous year is eligible to compete again.

Scholarship awards are to be used during the 2026-2027 academic year for undergraduate work in the above fields at an accredited music university in the State of Alabama. The maximum age for contestants is 25 years. Further information about repertoire requirements, applications, and fees is available at <https://www.birminghammusicclubguild.org/scholarships/>

Applications and fees must be received by February 23, 2026. For questions regarding auditions please email Phyllis Pelham at scholarship.theguildbmc@gmail.com. Further instructions and audition times will be emailed to students after all applications are received.

IMPORTANT : ***First Place Recipients*** will be honored and must perform on the Program of the Spring Luncheon for the Guild on **Thursday, April 16, 2026.**
Failure to participate may result in forfeiture of the scholarship award