

# Mountain Laurel Autoharp Gathering

## Mary Lou Orthey Memorial Scholarship -- Application Form --

Each year, the Mary Lou Orthey Memorial Scholarship Committee hopes to provide several scholarships for attendance at the Mountain Laurel Autoharp Gathering (“MLAG”). Please complete the application below and review the application process and guidelines. **Application deadline is April 1**, for the year you wish to attend the Gathering.

**Criteria for Making Awards.** The Mary Lou Orthey Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to promote the development and growth of the autoharp by providing financial assistance to people who would otherwise not be able to afford to come to the Gathering. This will be focused on, but not limited to, first time attendees, young people, and other deserving candidates.

### Personal Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone  
(home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work/cell) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Adult \_\_\_\_\_ or Youth (under 20 years old) \_\_\_\_\_

### Please describe which of the Criteria you meet.

1. Financial Need. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. First Time Attendee. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Youth. \_\_\_\_\_

4. Describe your interest in music, especially the autoharp. \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. How do you see your attendance at the Gathering enriching the lives of you and others? \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. Other. \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Scholarship Request

Scholarships may be awarded to help with standard costs for the Gathering, including basic registration fees, camping or housing, meals, travel expenses and personal expenses. The online information at [www.mlag.org/mlagreg.html](http://www.mlag.org/mlagreg.html) can help you estimate your total costs to attend.

1. How much financial assistance are you requesting? Describe and list the estimates for your requested expenses below.

2. At times, it is possible for MLAG to link you with people willing to help with transportation needs, loans of camping equipment, and the loan of an autoharp. Describe any non-financial needs you may have in attending the Gathering where we might be able to help. (Use another page or the back of this page, if needed)

## General Guidelines and Application Process

Scholarship applications need to be postmarked no later than April 1 for the year you wish to attend. We will notify scholarship recipients and provide details of your award by May 31. Others will be notified that their application was not funded this year. Persons serving on the MLAG Board, the Scholarship Committee, and family members of these groups are ineligible to apply. Applicants who are under 20 years are encouraged to apply but will require parental permission to do so.\*

Please print out and complete this application form, then mail to: Carole Outwater, 1319 Greylyn Drive, Charlotte, NC 28226-5105.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\*I am the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ and approve their submission of this request.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Parent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent