



Music Performance Trust Fund

Grants from MPTF are available to engagers to offset the cost of hiring Toronto Musicians' Association (TMA) or Canadian Federation of Musicians (CFM) members in the Greater Toronto area. The concert should be the focus of the event, and the performance must be "Free and open to the public".

Funding requests should be submitted to the TMA MPTF Administrator 6 weeks prior to each performance. Requests can be made by the musician or the sponsoring organization. The TMA will submit the online application to the MPTF office in New York City.

The MPTF grant is 50% of scale wages (General Scale), pension, and HST for a 3-hour call for community performances. (Work dues at 5%.)

Funding is available at 100% for school performances and special projects: Black History Month (February), International Women's Day (March) & Jazz Appreciation Month (April).

Solo and duo performances at seniors' homes are funded at 70% for a limited number of performances where the residence contributes \$200 per concert.

- Co-sponsor is required to sign the MPTF "Terms & Conditions"
- Band leader will submit a TMA contract signed by the engager
- MPTF will send the grant cheque to the engager, 3 to 4 weeks following the performance.
- 3% administration fee (co-sponsor) is waived for schools & seniors

Possible venues include:

- City Squares, Parks, Community Centres & Libraries
- Street Festivals, Canada Day & other holiday events
- Educational Performances in Schools (Public & Private)
- Seniors' Residences & Hospitals

The MPTF does not provide assistance for fundraising, political, religious or charitable events. Bars, restaurants and other commercial establishments are not permitted as there is an expectation that food and drink must be purchased.

The MPTF is funded by the Recording Industries of North America and is independent of the American Federation of Musicians. The fund was established in 1948 as part of a landmark agreement between the AFM and the major record companies of the day. Current signatory labels include Sony Music Entertainment, Universal Music Group, Warner Music Group and Walt Disney Records.

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