



AGO 2016 National Convention • Houston, Texas • June 19 - 23

February 15, 2016

Dear Youth and Young Adults,

Thank you for your interest in the American Guild of Organists Houston National Convention. The future of the Guild, as well as that of the organ depends on you, and I am grateful for your interest.

These scholarships are designed to help defray the cost of lodging while attending the convention. I am very grateful to all the generous donors who have made this possible.

Scholarship applications will be evaluated anonymously by representatives of several committees from the convention planning team. Evaluators will consider each application based on the following three criteria: financial need, level of commitment to the organ, and communication skill.

The deadline for application submissions is **March 15, 2016 at 11:59:59 CT**. Results will be disbursed by **April 1, 2016**. Recipients of scholarship money will need to accept their scholarship by **April 7, 2016 at 11:59:59 CT**. Any scholarship money left unclaimed will be given to those on a waiting list.

I look forward to meeting you in Houston this summer!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Grant Wareham".

Grant Wareham
Chair, Committee for Youth Development

AGO 2016 Houston National Convention Housing Scholarship Application

1) Information

Please provide the following (please print or type):

Your full name _____

Age (DOB) _____

Your primary email _____

A phone number where we can reach you _____

2) Essay (Please type)

In 250-500 words, please address the following:

- Briefly describe your past and current organ studies
- Explain why you wish to attend the AGO convention this summer
- Describe how music will be part of your future.
- Provide an explanation of your financial need and a rationale for requesting a need-based scholarship.

3) Identification

- University students: Please attach a photo of your student ID
- High School students: Please contact Grant Wareham, grantwarehamago2016@gmail.com for verification before applying.

4) Submission

- Your completed application form and essay should be sent as a PDF or Word Document to ago2016scholarships@gmail.com **by March 15, 2016 at 11:59:59 CT.**
- Note: As essays will be evaluated anonymously, please put your essay on a separate page from the application containing your personal information, but submit both within the same document.
- Any questions regarding the application should be directed to Grant Wareham, grantwarehamago2016@gmail.com