

## CARLOS BALDOCEDA MEMORIAL MUSIC ENRICHMENT AWARD

**Carlos Baldoceda Memorial Music Enrichment Award:** \$1,000

**Purpose:** To be applied toward programs, materials, equipment, or instruction that furthers the applicant's musical goals. The award cannot be used for high school or college tuition or fees.

**Eligibility:** Chicagoland area resident  
14-25 years of age  
Interest in music

The Carlos G. Baldoceda Memorial Fund (Carlos' Fund) was founded in August 2003 when Carlos passed away from a brain tumor at age 22. Carlos' true love was his music, which he began to pursue in high school by taking lessons in guitar. Soon after, he taught himself the banjo. Close friends remember that Carlos was drawn to and very passionate about artists Ben Harper and Bela Fleck, teaching himself by listening and playing music by ear. He learned to appreciate all different types of music, molding his technique by listening to bluegrass legends Flatt and Scruggs and Bill Monroe, classic blues artists John Lee Hooker and Muddy Water, and pop music like the Beatles. While in college Carlos continued to follow his passion and with help of friends from CalTech began to record his own music.

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Answer the questions below on a separate sheet, attach it to this form and return it to:

Carlos Baldoceda Memorial Music Award  
Oak Park-River Forest Community Foundation  
1049 W. Lake St. #204  
Oak Park, IL 60301

Please answer the following questions:

1. A brief description of yourself and your activities and interests.
2. Why is music important to you?
3. What will you use the award for and how will it aide your musical growth?
4. What are some obstacles to pursuing your interest in music?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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High School: \_\_\_\_\_

School expected to be attending in the fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Awardees will be asked to submit a brief written report at the end of their year summarizing their experiences and growth as a result of the award.

Award recipient will be notified by mid-May. For further information, please visit [www.carlosfund.org](http://www.carlosfund.org), or [www.oprfcf.org](http://www.oprfcf.org).