

## CARLOS BALDOCEDA SENIOR MUSIC AWARD

**Carlos Baldoceda Senior Music Award:** \$1,500

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

**Eligibility:** Oak Park and River Forest High School Senior  
Overall Grade Point Average of 3.0 or above  
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. Who are your musical influences?
3. How will you use this award to aid your musical growth?
4. What role does music play in your life?

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

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

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

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

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

College: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

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).