

**THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS APPLY IF YOU ARE CHOSEN  
AS ONE OF THE TOP 10 SEMI-FINALISTS IN EITHER THE  
VOCAL OR INSTRUMENTAL CATEGORIES**

**SEMI-FINALIST INSTRUCTIONS:**

Welcome to the live performance round of auditions for the GMBS music scholarship competition. We are excited that you are coming to Clarinda, Iowa for the **Vocal competition on Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Instrumental competition begins on Thursday 8:15 a.m.** to be held at the Clarinda High School auditorium. You will need to arrive early enough on Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> to have time to practice with your accompanist.

**Travel Arrangements:** You need to make your travel arrangements so that you arrive in Clarinda or Kansas City, MO airport early Wednesday June 10, 2020 afternoon. If you are traveling by yourself, we will provide transportation from the Airport to Clarinda between Noon and 3:00 PM on Wednesday June 10, 2020, so be sure to plan your itinerary around these times. We will have our transportation person meet you at the airport. Once your reservations are made, please email Shari with your itinerary at [shari@glennmiller.org](mailto:shari@glennmiller.org). Shari to make sure your transportation is set-up and ready to go.

**Music & Accompanist – Vocal:**

- At least one of your selections needs to be accompanied.
- You need to **MAIL a copy** of your music selections to accompanist, Linda Naven at 819 N. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Clarinda, Iowa 51632, at least 2 weeks before June 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Bring your **ORIGINAL, numbered measures** to the competition for the judges.
- Linda charges \$75.00 per performance which you will be responsible for.
- Linda will make arrangements with you to practice at her home on Wednesday June 10, 2020. She will email or call your cell phone.
- If you are a winner and perform on Friday at the Stage Show, you will owe her another \$75.00.
- At the Stage Show, you do not need to perform one of your audition pieces. If you like you can perform a show tune or other selection.

**Music & Accompanist – Instrumental:**

- At least one of your selections needs to be accompanied.
- You need to **EMAIL a copy** of your music selections to accompanist Charles Badami at [CBADAMI@nwmissouri.edu](mailto:CBADAMI@nwmissouri.edu), at least 2 weeks before June 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Bring your **ORIGINAL, numbered measures** to the competition for the judges.
- Charles charges \$75.00 per performance which you will be responsible for.
- Charles will make arrangements with you to at the Museum on Wednesday June 10<sup>th</sup>. He will email or call your cell phone.
- If you are a winner and perform on Friday at the Stage Show, you will owe him another \$75.00.
- At the Stage Show, you do not need to perform one of your audition pieces. If you like you can perform a show tune or other selection.

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**Wednesday Evening Meeting:** There will be an informational meeting for all semi-finalists on Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM at the Glenn Miller Birthplace Museum. You will need to pay your \$75.00 accompanist fee at this meeting.

**Literature:** one of the most often asked questions is about literature. Many contestants think they must perform jazz. We do not require it. We want to hear contrasting styles that showcase your musical abilities. You are not required to perform the same music that you sent in on your audition CD.

**Dress:** Proper concert competition dress attire required. The scholarship competition auditions are open to the public and we usually have a large crowd. The auditorium runs cold, so dress accordingly.

**Place for Competition:** The competition will be held at the high school on Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. There is ground floor entrance and there is a Yamaha grand piano. There will be rooms with and without a piano for practicing.

**Day of Competition:** All contestants will file onto the stage. You will then introduce yourself. After introductions all performers must remain in the back hall/practice rooms. You are not permitted to sit in the audience and observe other contestants. You will need **an original measure numbered copy of your music** for the judge. The first performer will, if desired be allowed a brief period of time for final warmup before performing. Unlike school contests, the judge will come up on the stage after you perform and put you through site reading, scales, interview questions, etc to further evaluate your skills. The competition does involve vocalization and site reading for the judges.

**Awards:** The names of the winners of the vocal auditions will be announced at the conclusion of the competition and the winners will perform on Friday.

**Top Three:** If you are selected as one of the top three, you will perform at the Stage Show, with the GMBS Big Band, on Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 9:30 in the High School auditorium. At that time, scholarship awards will be handed out, so make your travel plans with this in mind.

**Stage Show Tickets:** Complimentary tickets for your family and guests are available to the competition and Stage Show, let Shari know how many you will need. You will need to be at the Stage Show by 8:30 a.m on Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Housing:** If you are traveling alone, we can provide you a host home to stay, we will need to know if you are staying beyond Thursday evening to enjoy the Festival. They will give you breakfast and provide you transportation to and from the high school. All other meals are at your expense. A thank-you gift for your host family is a nice idea.

**Transportation back to the Airport:** We will provide transportation back to airport for flights back home at the conclusion of the Stage Show. If you plan to stay for the entire

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weekend's Festival, let Shari know so arrangements can be made for your stay and tickets to festival events.

**Experience in Clarinda:** The Glenn Miller Museum publishes a quarterly newsletter and we want to include the scholarship competition performers. If you are a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner at the Festival, you will need to email Shari a short couple of paragraphs about your experience in Clarinda. **This write-up is due by June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

**GMBS Music Scholarship Fundraising Dinner:** Each February we host a fundraising dinner for the music scholarship program. At these dinners we like to show a short clip of the winners, what their experience in Clarinda was, where they are at now, and how their prize money has helped with their education. Please record this information on YouTube and email Shari a link before 8/31/2020.