



NAMM President's Innovation Award

Submission Guidelines

Please note: Applicants must complete all requirements online via The NAMM Foundation's online application system; this information is provided to help you with your online application.

The NAMM President's Innovation Award supports individuals who are enrolled in college and university music and/or music business programs and are preparing for careers in the music products industry. **The Innovation Award seeks to support individuals who express commitment and aptitude for business leadership and innovation in the music products industry.**

Cash awards of \$600 are given once a year and one-time-only to selected undergraduate and graduate students to support travel needs and expenses to attend The NAMM Show, the annual global music products trade show in Anaheim, Calif. in January. Awardees will participate in professional development offerings and have access to more than 1,600 exhibits at this global music products trade show.

Applicants must be enrolled for the summer or fall semester in a university-based music business, music education and/or music technology program and prove—with a Spring college transcript—interest in and achievement in studying both music and business-related courses and have an overall 3.0 or higher grade point average. Applicants must be scheduled to be enrolled full-time in college at the time of The 2017 NAMM Show and through the winter/spring semester.

If you are selected as an Innovation Award recipient, you will be notified by November 1, 2016. A grant agreement letter signed by you and co-signed by a faculty member or advisor will be required. After this signed agreement is received by The NAMM Foundation, funds will be sent to you to support expenses for travel to The 2017 NAMM Show January 19 – 22, 2017. Should you leave college prior to completing the fall 2016 semester and/or not be enrolled for the winter 2017 semester, the award is forfeited and funds must be returned to The NAMM Foundation.

Please note Innovation Award Recipients must also schedule their transportation/arrival to Anaheim for The NAMM Show January 19-22, 2017. Attendance is required at Generation Next events on Saturday, January 21:

- The Grand Rally for Music Education Rally, 9:30 a.m.
- NAMM President and CEO Meet and Greet, 3 p.m.
- The Crane Institute for Music Business Presents the Sandy Feldstein Industry Roundtable, 4 p.m.

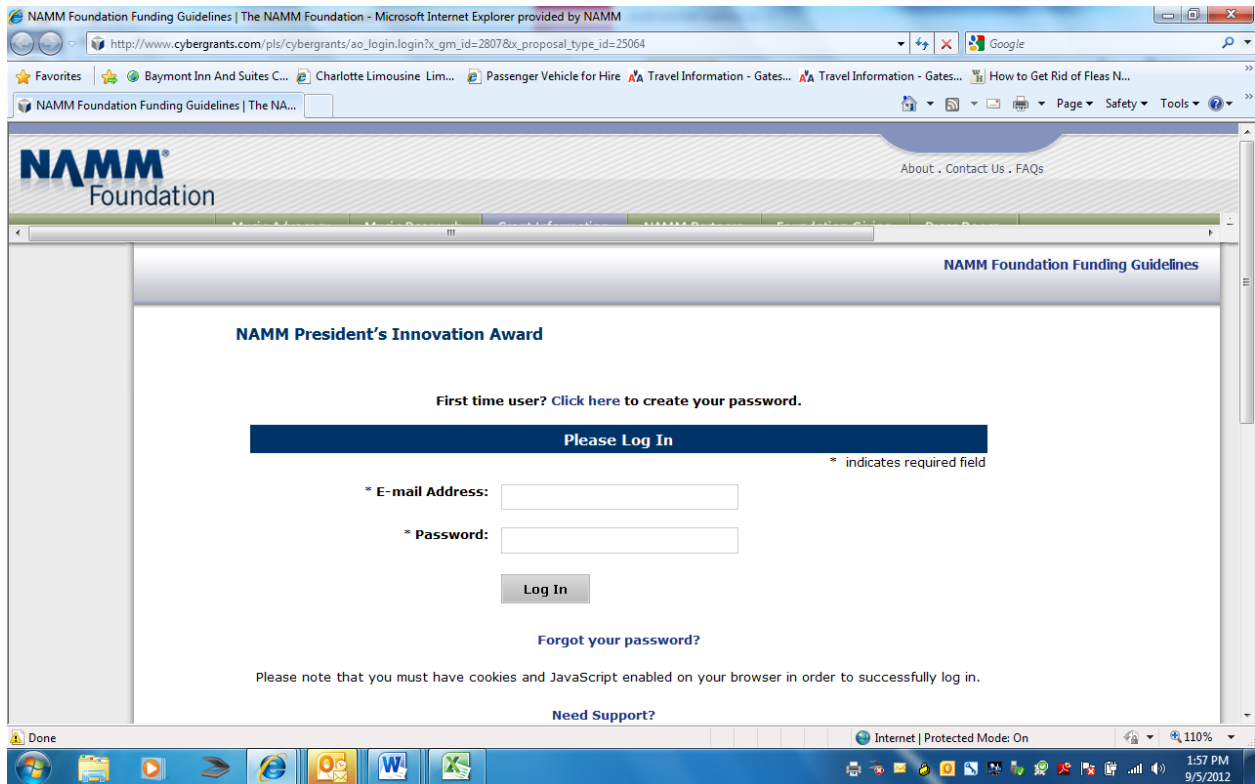
If you cannot plan on gathering at the required events please reconsider your intent to apply. If you receive the award and do not attend events on January 21, your award will be forfeited or/and funds will need to be returned.

Award recipients will be required to submit an impact report of their experience at The NAMM Show no later than February 28, 2017. Report requirements and submission details will be available online.

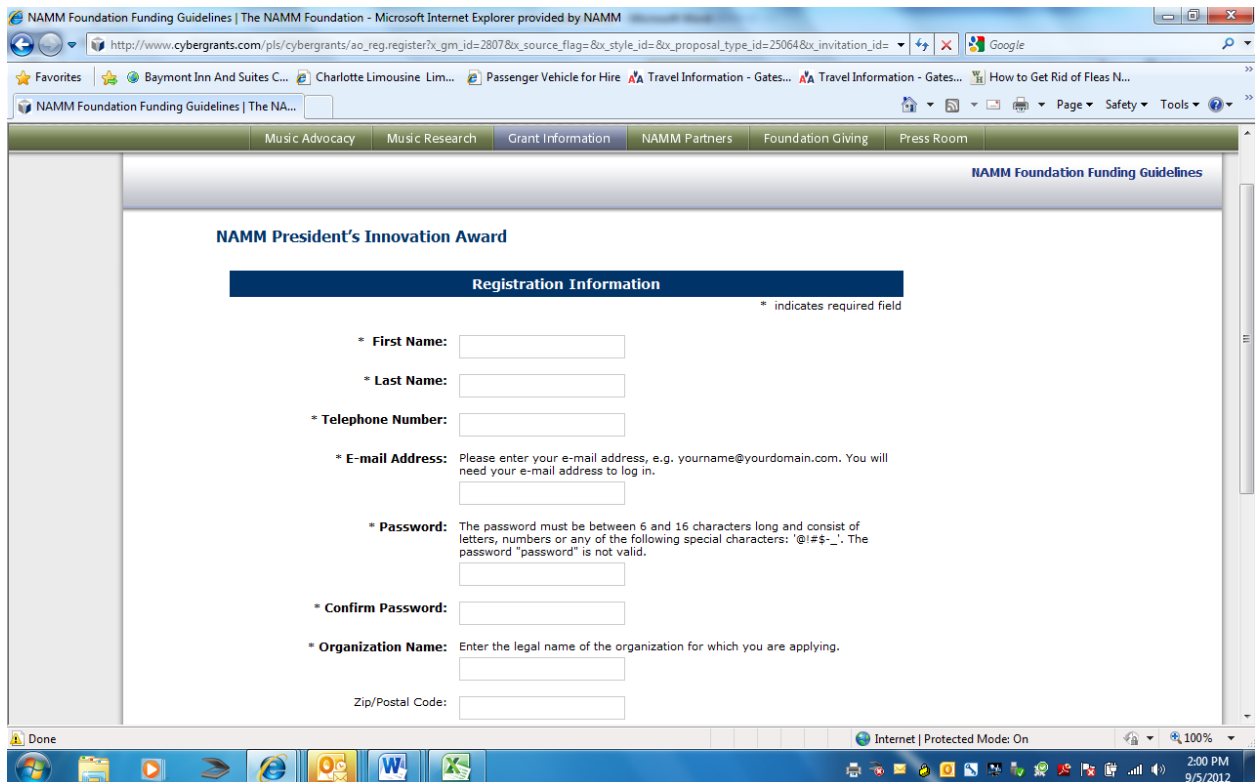
Innovation Awards are given once during a student's academic career and are not renewable; recipients are not eligible to re-apply for the same award.

To be considered for this award, please complete all sections of the online application and upload all required materials. Please note, if you have a Cybergrants record associated with another NAMM Scholarship, please create a new record and "start a new application " via the link for the President's Innovation Award. Only completed applications submitted by the stated deadline will be considered. Thank you for your cooperation.

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you are a first time applicant for a NAMM Foundation award, please enter your first and last name in the field "Organization name" do not enter the name of your college.



IMPORTANT NOTE: For field "Organization name" enter the first and last name of the student – do not enter the name of your college. Please see below in the example of "Registration Information". ▼



IMPORTANT NOTE: For required field "NAMM Fiscal Year", please enter "2017".

If you have any questions regarding this application, please contact The NAMM Foundation staff at least one day in advance of the application deadline at grants@namm.org.

President's Innovation Award Application Deadlines:

Application Cycle Opens	Application Cycle Closes	Award Notifications
August 1, 2016	September 30, 2016	November 1, 2016

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Student Information

Student Full Name (required)

Primary Residence/Street Address (required)

City (required)

State (required)

Zip (required)

Country (required)

Phone Number (required)

Primary E-mail Address (required)

Date of Birth (required)

Year of High School Graduation (required)

You and Your Accomplishments

Please specify your academic level and the year of your college or university enrollment during which time you are seeking a travel award. (required)
(i.e. Freshman Semester I and II; etc.).

Please list all high school(s) and college(s) attended, graduation date(s) and diploma/certificate(s) received. (required)

In what organization(s) have you taken part during the past three years? (required)

Please include community organizations, government, student government, literacy activities (newspaper, yearbook publications), dramatics, musical activities, clubs, service organizations and athletics.

Describe any special recognitions, honors or prizes received during the past five years. (required)

Describe your leisure interests or hobbies, noting any accomplishments in the area of music. (required)

Upload your resume or a document that lists the jobs (including summer employment) you have held in the past three years. (required)

You and Your Future

Describe the one interest or activity (in or out of school) which has engaged most of your time and energy within the past three years and to which you have made the strongest commitment. How do you evaluate the results of your involvement in this endeavor? (required)

Describe your role (s) and contribution (s).

Discuss your plans for the next five years, including your choice of career, and how you plan to prepare yourself for that career. (required)

Submit an essay of no more than 500 words demonstrating your unique interest in pursuing a career in the music products industry and what you expect the experience of attending The NAMM Show will provide. (required)

Why do you feel you are qualified to be a recipient of The NAMM President's Innovation Award? (required)

Please provide a summary of known travel expenses for which funds are requested; detail how award funds will be applied toward those travel costs.
(required)

Supporting Documentation

High School or College Transcript (required)

Please upload a Spring 2016 transcript indicating you are a full-time student enrolled in coursework related to music and business with an overall 3.0 grade point average.

NOTE: If you scan your transcript, please keep file size as small as possible while keeping the scan legible.

Letters of Reference (required)

Please include a minimum of two letters of reference including one from a current employer. If you are or have worked for a music business please include a letter of reference from someone you worked for. If a letter of reference from a current or past employer cannot be secured, provide a second letter from a current faculty member.

FAFSA Identification Number

If you are currently enrolled in a college or university or have accepted a position for your freshman year, please enter the FAFSA Identification Number of the college or university.