

The Country Dance and Song Society is launching a major campaign to foster the involvement of young people in the traditions of English and Anglo-American music, dance and song. One aspect of this effort is to substantially increase their scholarship and grant programs. They have just developed a new matching scholarship program targeted for young adults to attend non-CDSS programs.

In this first pilot year, matching scholarships are available for young campers (age 18-30) to attend Bay Area Country Dance Society (BACDS) English Dance and Music Week and BACDS American Dance and Music Week. BACDS camps may accept applicants age 15-17 on a case-by-case basis if a guardian is available and space permits.

CDSS will pay half the camper fee, and a local sponsoring group would commit to the other half.

If you are a potential camper interested in this scholarship, approach your local group with the information and application form (the group must apply on your behalf).

If you are a group leader/organizer with a young adult in your community who demonstrates community leadership potential in dance, music or song, let them know about the camp and the scholarship and help them with the application process.

To apply for this scholarship:

- Download the scholarship application form
- The sponsoring group must fill out the top part of the application form
- We recommend a letter from the sponsoring group supporting your applicant
- The individual must:
  - Fill out the second half of the application form
  - Download and fill out the BACDS camp registration form
  - Send both the matching scholarship application (with sponsoring group's support letter) and the BACDS camp registration form to the camp registrar listed on the form

The camp lottery deadline (in case of oversubscription) is March 15 (postmarked) *so make sure to submit your application in time for the lottery*. We will notify you in April.

As the CDSS matching scholarship program grows, they will target additional West Coast dance and music weeks, then hope to expand to non-CDSS programs across North America. We invite you to help CDSS in this work with your generous donations.

**COUNTRY DANCE AND SONG SOCIETY**  
**2008 Matching 'Youth' Scholarship Application for BACDS Camps**

The matching scholarship program is designated for young adults (age 18-30) who demonstrate community leadership potential in dance, music or song.

**PART 1. For Sponsoring Group:**

Group Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (eve) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Group Contract Statement** (please read and sign):

We are prepared to contribute \$ 388 (half the registration fee). We request that this be matched dollar for dollar by CDSS. If our applicant is accepted, we will pay our share to BACDS by May 15, 2008.

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*signature of sponsoring group officer or representative (other than applicant)*

**Please enclose a letter of support from the group.**

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**PART 2. For Individual Being Sponsored:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ M/F Age\* \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone (day) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (eve) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

\* Applicants age 15-17 may be accepted on a case-by-case basis if space permits and a guardian is available. If you are in this age group, please provide the name and contact info for a guardian applying for the same BACDS week:

I. Week (circle one):    BACDS American Week                      BACDS English Week

II. How are you involved in your local dance/music/song community? (feel free to use the back)

III. Why do you want to attend this camp? ? (feel free to use the back)

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*signature of applicant*

CDSS publishes a list of scholarship recipients.

By submitting this application you have given your permission to CDSS to publish you name, should you receive a scholarship.

Return **form** (along with letter of support and BACDS camp registration form) **by March 15** (postmarked), to:

BACDS, c/o Loren Kalmen, 5795 Golden Eagle Drive, Reno NV 89523

For more info (775) 240-6117, amweek@bacds.org