

2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

STANLEY AND ARMINTA BERRY MUSIC AND ARTS SCHOLARSHIP PULASKI HEIGHTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

Background: Over 20 years ago, Mrs. Arminta Berry made generous contributions to the Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church Foundation (PHUMC) to establish the Stanley and Arminta Berry Music and Arts Scholarship. The music and arts ministry of this church was extremely important to both Mr. and Mrs. Berry. Since then, nearly \$75,000 in scholarships have been awarded to more than 20 students as they pursue their studies in art and music. The vision and foresight of the Berry family has and will continue to help others in the PHUMC church family for many years as talented young people are given the opportunity to further their education in one of the arts.

Purpose: The purpose of this scholarship is to financially assist deserving students who are majoring in music or the arts. The successful recipient will receive a **\$1,500.00** scholarship that may be renewable for three additional years based upon continuing requirements. The scholarship will be applied to tuition only and sent directly to the recipient's college or university.

Qualifications: The applicant must be an Arkansas resident and a graduating high school senior or college undergraduate enrolled in a four-year accredited college or university and majoring in music or the arts. Preference will be given to a student who is also a member of Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church or who has participated in Adventures in the Arts Program at PHUMC.

Requirements: Completed application form must be received no later than **March 31, 2026**. If an audition or interview is required, it will be scheduled between **April 20, 2026**, and **May 1, 2026**. Please return completed form with official high school transcript and two sealed letters of recommendation from an instructor, department head, or major instructor to:

Berry Scholarship Committee – Virginia Porta
Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church
4823 Woodlawn Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

Please submit a recorded performance to Mr. Sungyun Kim at skim@phumc.com and Virginia Porta at vporta@phumc.com exhibiting at least two contrasting pieces. If you have questions or need more information, please email Virginia Porta.

Name _____

Home Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

PHUMC Member? Yes _____ No _____ If no, where? _____

High School Name _____

GPA _____ SAT or ACT Score _____

College/University planning to attend/attending _____

College/University Address _____

Declared Major? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, what? _____

What role has music or the arts played in your life?

How would receiving this scholarship be beneficial to you? _

For what career are you preparing?

Scholarship award decisions will be made by May 1, 2026.