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**The Older people Who Love Singing (OWLS) Scholarship:**

* is now open for application via Letter of Application & Video submission
* is made possible through generous anonymous donors
* is worth $**1000**
* Aims to provide support to a **mature-aged singer**
* is open to all Victorian amateur musicians **32 years and older**
* People of all levels of singing experience may apply, but the applicant must not be a professional singer or voice teacher
* This Award must be spent on lessons/workshops/courses pertaining to singing (e.g. voice lessons, languages, body-awareness techniques)

Your OWLS Application shall consist of:

1: A **letter of application** (approx. 300 words) detailing why the applicant should be awarded the scholarship and including a budget outlining how funding would be spent.

2: A **link** to a **video recording of the applicant singing two contrasting songs** or **song excerpts**.

The video recording can be of the applicant singing unaccompanied

OR using a backing track OR live accompaniment. Given that the panel’s decision rests mainly on this recording, it should be of a reasonable technical standard to do the applicant justice.

(The recording shall be uploaded as a private video on YouTube and the link provided with the Application letter).

In 2025 the **Application deadline** is 21 April 2025

Please email to : jsan@unimelb.edu.au

Or by post to:

 ANATS Victorian Chapter, 229 Booran Road, Caulfield South VIC 3162.

**JUDGING:**

* Applications will be viewed by a panel of three, comprising two members of the Victorian Chapter committee of ANATS Ltd and one independent industry professional who is not a member / independent of ANATS Ltd.
* The criteria upon which the selection will be made are:
	+ The applicant’s vocal ability, musicality and expressivity as evident in the performance.
	+ The merit of the study plan and budget outlined by the applicant.
* All applicants will be notified of the outcome within two weeks of the closing date of applications.
* The successful recipient must submit an acquittal detailing how the money has been spent within 12 months of award of the Scholarship.
* **OWLS** Is advertised on the ANATS website via ANATS Victoria Facebook, Instagram and member newsletters and by handbills to choirs & summer schools and via the Amuse digital mail (Music Digest) service.