



The Charles Dolo Coker Jazz Scholarship Foundation, Inc., is a non profit organization, founded on Wednesday, April 13, 1983, in memory of be bop/jazz pianist/arranger/composer/piano teacher/vocal coach/ Xanadu recording artist Dolo Coker, the date on which he succumbed to Cancer. The mission of the foundation is to assist young (15-25 year old) jazz musicians with their musical studies and to perpetuate jazz, America's only indigenous art form.

To: Music Department Chairpersons, Counselors, Music Teachers, Scholarship Applicants
From: Sybil J. Thomas Coker and Clifton Blevins, II, Co-Chairpersons of the 2009 Dolo Coker Scholarship Jazz Benefit Concert

Subject: 2009 Dolo Coker Jazz Scholarship Auditions

Please read 2009 scholarship criteria and follow all instructions carefully:

- 1) Applicants must be a **full time high school or college student** between the ages of **15 and 25**, whose status is current and must be verified at the time of the auditions by a school photo Identification Card. **There will be no exceptions.**
- 2) Applicants must return a completed application to P.O. Box 480028, Los Angeles, CA 90048, on or before the Saturday, March 7, 2009, deadline.
- 3) Applicants must submit: **a) An autobiographical sketch; b) Two letters of recommendation; c) Verification of school enrollment on Official School Letterhead or a school stamp on Page 3 of the Application packet.**
- 4) **NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY OF THE AUDITIONS.**

SELECTION PROCESS:

All presentations must be in JAZZ! Applicants will be judged on: Improvisation, Musicianship, Interpretation/ Versatility, Quality of Presentation, Stage Presence, Suitability/Style and Adherence to time.

Applicants “must” be aware of time. Your performance must not exceed five minutes from start to finish. Applicants who go beyond 5 minutes will lose points. Applicants must provide their own instrument (exception Piano), and their own accompaniment.

Auditions will take place on Saturday, March 21, 2009, 10:00 a.m., downstairs in Hornaday Hall, at Founders, 3281 West 6th Street, Los Angeles, 90020, located one block west of Vermont, between New Hampshire and Berendo, one block north of Wilshire. Park in the Parking Structure or check signage for street parking.

ALL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS “MUST” APPEAR IN PERSON, AT THE 26TH ANNUAL “TRIBUTE TO DOLO COKER” SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT JAZZ CONCERT, on Sunday, April 26, 2009, 3-6:30 p.m., at Founders, 3281 West 6th St., in-order-to receive their checks. None will be mailed nor delivered to another party. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS. Scholarship recipients should be prepared to perform. For additional information or further clarification please call: (323) 935-1374, (818) 251-4829 or (323) 935-0273.

Signature of Chair: _____ **Date Received:** _____

THE CHARLES DOLO COKER JAZZ SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

(A non profit 501 (c) (3) Organization)

POST OFFICE BOX 480028 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90048

VERIFICATION OF STUDENT ENROLLMENT
(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE CLEARLY)

SECTION I - TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

Name of Applicant (Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Name)

Address of Applicant City State Zip Code

Phone/Mobile/Pager Message/Fax E-mail

Instrument(s) or voice

SECTION II - TO BE COMPLETED BY HIGH SCHOOL/UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE VERIFYING CURRENT ENROLLMENT

Name of High School/University/College where applicant is currently enrolled.

Name and title of Authorized Person verifying data

Signature of Authorized Person Date Signed

SECTION III - FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Name of School District Name of School Grade Level

Signature of one of the following: Principal/Counselor/Music Teacher Title

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____ **DATE:** _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS VERIFICATION FORM WITH YOUR APPLICATION.

For Further Information Please Call: (323) 935-1374, (323) 935-0273, (818) 251-4829

