

MUSICAL FUND SOCIETY OF PHILADELPHIA

What is the Musical Fund Society (MFS)?

- The Musical Fund Society of Philadelphia, established in 1820, is the oldest continuing musical organization in the United States. The Society has served a number of functions over the course of its rich history, and is today a philanthropic organization dedicated to supporting music in Philadelphia.
- MFS fosters the careers of emerging young artists and ensembles through grants, opportunities, and mentoring.
- The Foundation of the MFS is a fully tax exempt entity which accepts financial gifts to further the goals and programs of the Society

Who are the members of The Musical Fund Society?

- Performers, composers, and music educators
- Business professionals working for musical organizations as well as those in other fields who are supporters of musical activity in Philadelphia

What do I need to do to be considered for membership?

- Membership in the MFS is open to all in the musical community
- You must be proposed for membership by a current member and approved by the Committee on Admissions.
 - See the list of members on our website for a friend or colleague who will propose you for membership
 - Contact one of the members from the Committee on Admissions
 - Susan Ashbaker ssashbaker@yahoo.com
 - Peter Burwasser peterbur@aol.com
 - Mark Huxsoll mhuxsoll@temple.edu
 - Dr. Bob Marvin rfmarvin@verizon.net
 - Stu Serio stuserio@aol.com

When may I become a member?

- At the December and May meetings
 - December: Tuesday, December 10, 2013, 6:00 p.m.
 - May: Tuesday, May 6, 2014, 5:00 p.m.
- At the receptions hosted by MFS prior to select sponsored PCMS concerts
- At the annual summer MFS night at the Mann Center for Performing Arts

Is there a fee or other costs to join the MFS?

- Annual dues of \$55
- The December reception for members costs \$25 (\$15 for prospective members) and the annual meeting/dinner in May costs \$75 per member (\$50 for prospective members).

I was a member in the past. What do I need to do to re-establish my membership?

- Contact one of the members of our Committee on Admissions (listed above). We welcome our former members to return, and it is not required to re-join in person.

Advantages of membership

- Networking opportunities
- Philadelphia Chamber Music concerts that MFS sponsors (complementary tickets, paying only a small fee per ticket for processing and mailing)
- Invitations to our two annual gatherings, both featuring live musical entertainment.

How do I find out more information about the MFS?

- Our website: Musicalfundsociety.org
- Our Membership Committee (listed above)