THE PRESSER FOUNDATION

Over 75 Years of Music Philanthropy

New Officers, Trustees and Honorary Trustees Announced

The Presser Foundation is pleased to announce new Officers:

President - Lucinda S. Landreth Vice President - Jeffrey Cornelius Treasurer - William M. Davison, 4th Secretary - Sharon Sorokin

Commenting on her new appointment, Ms. Landreth remarked,

"The Presser Foundation has been supporting retired music teachers, music students at over 200 undergraduate and graduate institutions, and providing general operating, capital and special project support to musical organizations for more than 75 years. It has a very well respected history of philanthropy and it is a privilege to be asked to guide the Foundation, its staff and dedicated Trustees to continue this legacy."

Trustees expressed their gratitude to Robert Capanna for the ten years he served as President by presenting him with a special resolution and commissioning a new piece of music in partnership with Philadelphia Chamber Music Society. Remarking on the milestone, Mr. Capanna said,

"I am very pleased to end my tenure as President of The Foundation with a successful transition to a wonderful new management team, a much-improved on-line grant application process and terrific new leadership for the Board of Trustees. By leveraging the expertise of our board and limiting our administrative expense, The Presser Foundation is well positioned to continue to have a positive impact on the musical life of the Philadelphia region."

Trustees elected for a three-year term through June 30, 2018 include: Peter Burwasser, Robert Capanna, William B. McLaughlin, III, Ellen Rosen, Corey R. Smith and Mark Wait. Ellen Rosen, a new Trustee, is a former business executive who worked at various financial services companies. Ms. Rosen serves as Treasurer of The Print Center and on the Board of Alliance Française.

Anthony Checchia and **Robert W. Denious** served as Trustees of The Presser Foundation since 1991 and 1995 respectively. In recognition for their exemplary service, the gentlemen received the title of Honorary Trustee and each given the opportunity to provide a grant to a musical organization.

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The Presser Foundation was established in 1939 under the Deeds of Trust and Will of the late Theodore Presser, an educator, publisher and philanthropist. It is one of the few private foundations in the United States dedicated solely to music education and music philanthropy.



Officers and Trustees

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Vera Wilson

Assistance To Music Teachers

Theodore Presser was committed to the support of music teachers, mindful of his own early struggles in the profession and with a sense of gratitude for the thousands of teachers who were the primary customers of his publication business. The Foundation created the Assistance of Music Teachers Committee to carry on the basic mission of financial support for retired or disabled teachers in need.

Awards are made to individuals living in the United States whose primary occupation was as a teacher of music. In order to be considered for Assistance, applicants must be nominated by a music institution for consideration. If you know of a worthy candidate, consider applying for financial support on their behalf here.

Grant Deadlines & Decision Notification Dates

Grant Making Area	Proposal Deadline	Decision Notification
Advancement of Music	November 15th	March 1st
Assistance To Music Teachers	Ongoing	Ongoing
Capital Support	February 1st	May 1st
Special Projects	October 15th	January 1st
<u>Undergraduate Scholar</u> Award	September 1st	November 15th

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Online Grant Management

The Presser Foundation has implemented an online grant management system powered by Foundant. The system allows for all prospective and current grantees to submit proposals and reports **online**.