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Flying Musicians Seeks Student Musician Solo Scholarship nominations

September 23, 2019, Fort Worth, TX: The Flying Musicians Association (FMA) recognizes the correlation between hard work and skill required by both learning to fly and learning music -- practice, precision, working with others, multitasking, and ultimately *performance* -- and to that end, has opened the floor to nominations for the sixth year to passionate student musicians for the 2020 FMA Solo program. The program has averaged 2+ scholarships per year in the first five years while welcoming nearly two hundred new student members into the FMA network.

The 2020 FMA Solo Scholarship Program is open for **nominations from music teachers/directors**. This scholarship is unique, assisting an aspiring flight student from zero time to solo. FMA is excited to enter the sixth year of this scholarship program because of the impact it has on the student, the community, aviation, and music.

[Nominations](#) are being accepted now through January 31, 2020. Candidates must be a junior or senior high school music student with a passion for music and aviation. All nominees will receive a sponsored FMA student membership, including an FMA shirt and other items donated by FMA members and sponsors. Those who remain engaged in the FMA network are also assisted in many ways.

FMA President/CEO John Zapp said, "FMA members love assisting others who share our passions of flying and music. To be able to assist and watch our student members grow through aviation and music while inspiring others is such a rewarding experience. The program has soloed nine students, with two in the wings! There are now many additional private pilots that have come from this program." Zapp noted, "We are also looking for those in the aviation and music industry who want to jump on the [FMA Bandwagon](#) to be a part of this opportunity to grow future leaders – the right way."

"I used to be in the band and also drum corps and I feel it made me a more focused and better person. I feel it helped me become the President and CEO of Sporty's." -- Michael Wolf

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Help FMA and Aaron Tippin build more pilots.

"Flying and music are my two passions in life, and the Flying Musicians have put both of those together for a great cause. I believe educating the next generation is so important for music and aviation to continue on." – Aaron Tippin

To sponsor a student pilot or hold a HangarJam or Concert, either at your event/venue or as a standalone event, please contact FMA at Education@FlyingMusicians.org.

About the Flying Musicians Association, Inc.:

The Flying Musicians Association (FMA) is a 501(C)3 nonprofit corporation (EIN: 80-0433326) for pilots who are musicians, spanning the globe, proficiency levels, and genres. Members share their passions in order to inspire, educate, encourage, and assist through performances, presentations, networking, and scholarships.

The [2020 FMA Solo Packet](#) is now available online.

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