

THE JOY DODSON MUSIC FUND

Administered under the auspices of the Viola da Gamba Society

Guidelines for those applying for **individual** or **group** financial assistance

All awards are at the discretion of the Viola da Gamba Society committee

- 1 The JDMF is available to assist an **individual** with the cost of attending a music course (anywhere in the world) as a viol player, or of undertaking clearly defined research on any aspect of the viol.
- 2 The JDMF is also available to pay the fees of an established viol tutor for introductory sessions for a **group** of students at school, university or music college, with the intention of attracting new viol players.
- 3 An **individual** JDMF award is only available to someone who has been a member of the VdGS for at least 6 months. They must normally be resident in the UK or be an overseas student resident while attending an award-bearing course of study in the UK.
- 4 Individual applicants should be attending a recognised award-bearing course of study at a university, music college or school, and can be of any age.
- 5 The maximum amount to be awarded to any one applicant in 2019–20 will be £375 or 75% of the total course cost, whichever is the lower figure. Applicants will not necessarily be awarded the maximum amount. Travel costs to attend courses may **not** be included in the course cost and will not be covered by a JDMF award. An individual may not receive more than one award in any 12 month period, and priority for JDMF individual awards will be given to those applicants who have not held one in a previous year.
- 6 An application for a **group** award may be made by an official or a student from the institution. The maximum award for a whole day workshop in 2019–20 is £300. Funding for up to **three** such sessions may be granted for each group within a single academic year. At least one of the students, or the institution or a member of its staff must be a member of the VdGS or be willing to join before the first session. For subsequent sessions at least three students must be members or join before the second session is held.
- 7 Successful recipients of **all** awards from the JDMF will be required to send a short report of their course/workshop/research to the VdGS Administrator, giving an account of what they achieved on the course/workshop and how it will help their future development as a viol student. In the case of grants awarded for group introductory sessions, the group must nominate one person to ensure the report is submitted. These reports may be published in *The Viol*, with the agreement of the writer and editor.

These guidelines will be in force from 1st October 2019 to 30th September 2020