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***The Louis DeJoy and Aldona Z. Wos Family Foundation Supports  
North Carolina Students with Gift to Eastern Music Festival***

**Scholarship Funding Designated to Assist up to Twelve North Carolina  
Students in 2018**

GREENSBORO – Eastern Music Festival is honored to announce receipt of **\$20,000** in scholarship funding from the **Louis DeJoy and Aldona Z. Wos Family Foundation**. This generous donation will provide scholarship assistance for up to **TWELVE North Carolina** musicians between the ages of 14 and 23 studying at Eastern Music Festival this summer.

EMF's application and audition process is underway. All qualified North Carolina students are encouraged to audition.

The generous gift from the **Louis DeJoy and Aldona Z. Wos Family Foundation** is given in recognition of the Festival's long-standing commitment to educational excellence, a passion shared by the DeJoy/Wos family. It helps reaffirm EMF's commitment to music education in North Carolina, and it expands our class of well-prepared and motivated young learners this summer. It marks the third year of support by the foundation for Eastern Music Festival.

Eastern Music Festival stands among the country's premier summer music educational programs and most imaginative performance festivals. For 57 years, EMF has served three equally important missions: to provide exemplary musical education; to present and produce engaging concerts that meet the highest artistic standards; and to serve as a cornerstone artistic and cultural institution in the Triad.

With approximately 225 young artists enrolled from around the globe and a faculty of 70+ acclaimed musicians each summer, EMF is an intensely-focused learning environment. "Every EMF student meets the highest artistic standard," says Dr. Tim Lane, chairman of the organization's Board of Directors. "Contributions to our scholarship fund enable the participation of these talented young musicians. We are grateful to the DeJoy\Wos Family Foundation for dedicating support to our North Carolina students again this year."

“We’re especially grateful to the Foundation for investing in young North Carolina musicians,” EMF’s former board chair Frederick Starr says. “The N.C. recipients of the scholarship funds will come from all corners of the state. They represent the best and brightest of our youth and speak well for North Carolina’s future. Louis’ and Aldona’s gift is remarkable and very much appreciated.”

Eastern Music Festival’s 57<sup>th</sup> season begins with student arrivals on Saturday, June 23. Performances begin on Monday, June 25 and continue through Saturday, July 28 at venues on the Guilford College and UNCG campuses and throughout the community.

EMF’s application window is open until February 21. Full application and audition requirements are available here: <http://easternmusicfestival.org/study>.

For more information about Eastern Music Festival, please visit: <http://easternmusicfestival.org/>

For more information about the work of the *Louis DeJoy and Aldona Z. Wos Family Foundation*, please visit: <http://louisdejoyandaldonawosfamilyfoundation.com/>.

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