



# Memorial Fund Awards

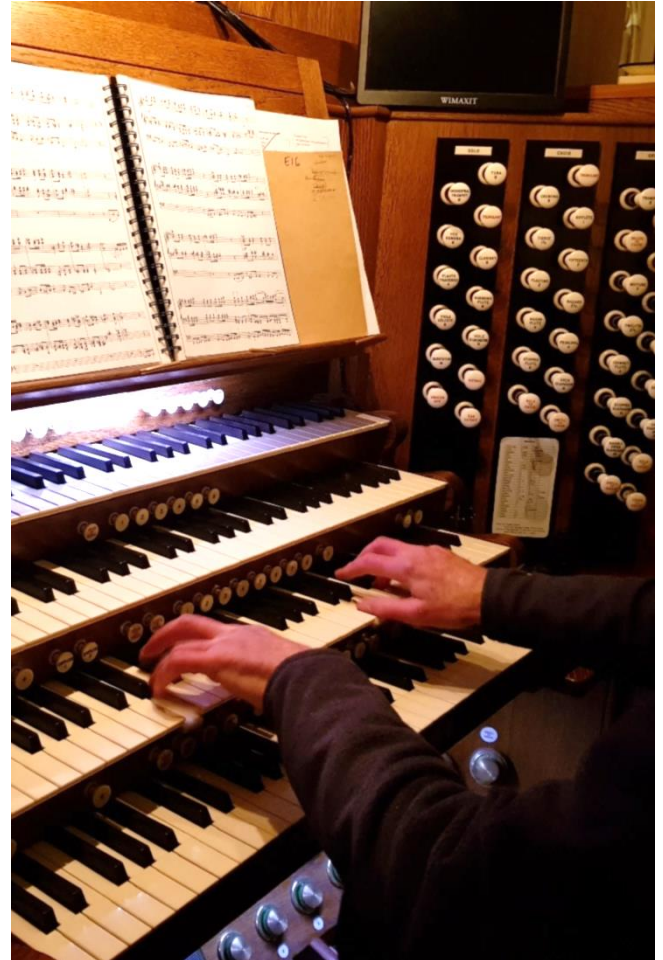
## **SUFFOLK ORGANISTS' ASSOCIATION**

*Founded 1934*

Suffolk Organists' Association (SOA) exists to promote the use and enjoyment of the pipe organ, especially the many fine examples of the instrument to be found across the county. We have a proud record of supporting organists of all ages both financially and through events such as study days and masterclasses, and several of our student members have gone on to become highly respected professional musicians.

Membership of SOA – which costs between £5 and £25 per person per year – is open to all, with benefits that include free or subsidised admission to a number of specially organised events and activities which take place throughout the year.

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## About the Memorial Fund

The SOA Memorial Fund was established to help Suffolk Organists' Association members meet certain costs relating to their study of, or interest in, the organ. Awards of up to £500 are available, depending on the nature of the applications and the financial circumstances of the applicants.

## Eligibility

Any paid-up member of SOA is entitled to apply for a Memorial Fund Award, which may be granted towards such things as:

- The cost of attending educational events (including those organised by SOA itself);
- Course fees;
- Examination fees;
- The purchase of music;
- Travel costs (e.g. to events);
- Tuition fees;
- Anything else which in the opinion of SOA falls within the scope of the Memorial Fund.

## How to apply

Applications, in writing, should be addressed to the SOA President, and must include the applicant's full name, postal and email address and date of birth. They should state the precise purpose for which the award is being sought, the grounds for the application, and wherever possible should be accompanied by at least one reference or other supporting document from an appropriate person (such as the applicant's organ teacher). All information submitted to SOA will be treated in the strictest confidence. The granting of any award is at the absolute discretion of SOA, and no appeal against its decision will be allowed.

Successful applicants will be expected to submit evidence of an outcome relevant to their award, e.g. receipts, examination results and/or copies of certificates. They will also be encouraged to write a report for inclusion in the Association's quarterly newsletter or annual journal, and to remain a member of SOA for at least two years following their award.

Normally only one application per person per year can be considered, although in exceptional circumstances this restriction may be waived at the discretion of SOA. However, no individual may receive more than £500 from the Fund in any one year.

## Deadline for applications

The Memorial Fund subcommittee meets twice-yearly in May and November to consider award applications, which must therefore be received no later than **30 April** and **31 October** each year.

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