

What would make Berklee a more GLBT-friendly campus? What GLBT-related issues are you passionate about? The GLBT Leadership Awards are designed to support any Berklee student who has a compelling idea for a project that would benefit the GLBT community on or off campus. The awards are meant to pay students for their time and effort, or could cover travel and other costs as needed.

Berklee GLBT Leadership Fund

The Berklee College of Music GLBT Leadership Fund, established in 2008 through an alumna gift, provides support to currently enrolled Berklee students working to benefit the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community on or off campus. Applications are open to all full-time Berklee students, regardless of sexual orientation.

Award amount: \$1,000 *

Submission deadline: March 25, 2011

Student Responsibilities

- Initiate and implement or continue and complete a project benefiting the GLBT community
- Maintain communication with a Berklee GLBT Allies-designated contact throughout the project's duration
- Provide a written final report within 60 days of the project's completion to the GLBT Allies at Berklee and the GLBT Leadership Fund selection committee\

Selection Procedures

- All submissions will be reviewed by the GLBT Leadership Fund selection committee
- Two students will be selected; each will receive a \$1,000 award
- Selected students will be announced on April 4, 2011
- Project must be completed within one year (12 months from start date)

Berklee GLBT Leadership Awardees

2010

- Olga Karaseva created a website about GLBT jazz musicians: <http://glbtjazz.zzl.org>
- Donny Landers proposed creating an online forum for Boston's GLBT college community.

2009

- Ann Driscoll organized Queerstock, a caf show featuring GLBT and GLBT-friendly artists.
- Rebecca Perkins interned at Riot Girl Ink, a record label promoting LGBTQ artists http://www.gomag.com/article/from_riot_grrls_to_rocker/

Other Types of Projects Supported

(Questions regarding appropriate projects may be addressed to Beth Denisch, Member of GLBT Allies Steering Committee, 617-747-2809 bdenisch@berklee.edu)

- Benefit concert for a GLBT cause
- Community outreach to GLBT youth through educational or social activity
- Community concert for GLBT seniors or youth
- Internship for a GLBT organization

** The award will be given as two \$500 tuition payments which can be issued as a tuition reimbursement check at the student's discretion. The first payment will be issued upon notification of the scholarship award, the second payment will be issued upon completion of the project. Students must be in good-standing with the bursar to qualify for a tuition reimbursement check.*

How to Apply – By March 25, send the required materials indicated below with your name, address, phone, email, Berklee ID number, major, semester and mailbox to:

GLBT Allies
c/o Prof. Beth Denisch
FB-106
1140 Boylston Street
Boston, MA 02215

Application Checklist:

1. Project Summary (250 words maximum) – include start and end dates

2. Project Description (2 pages maximum, double-spaced, 12 font)

- Who will be involved?

If your project includes any off-campus organizations, please include name, phone and address of the organization, and contact person

- What activities will occur?
- Where will your project take place?
- How does your project improve the lives of GLBT people?
- What experiences have prepared you to complete this project?
- What sparked your interest in GLBT issues?

3. One letter of reference from an individual (not including relatives) who can comment on your leadership potential (advisor, teacher, employer)

For help in writing the proposal, contact Berklee's Writing Center:

<http://www.berklee.net/wc>

For further information and/or questions in completing the application, contact:

GLBT Allies:

Prof. Sally Blazar ((617) 747-8586, sblazar@berklee.edu)

Prof. Beth Denisch (617) 747-2809, bdenisch@berklee.edu

GLBT Allies at Berklee is an organization supported by the Office for Inclusion and Diversity at Berklee College of Music for people who are working together to promote a safe and supportive campus atmosphere for the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered (GLBT) members of the Berklee community. People who display this symbol are acknowledging their role as allies to all of the Berklee community, including straight, gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered people.