

## NESI Young Player Award ~~of~~ ~~301~~ }

Please complete online and print it out -- or print *very clearly* if you are doing it by hand.  
Contact Sarah Gowan ([ssgowan@gmail.com](mailto:ssgowan@gmail.com)) if you have any questions or problems.

Applicant's name:	Date of birth:
Mailing address:	
Telephone number and email address of applicant:	
If applicant is under the age of 18, name of responsible adult who will accompany them if selected:	
Telephone number and email address of accompanying adult:	
Instrument(s) played by applicant:	
Has been playing for how long?:	
Taking regularly scheduled lessons?:	
Contact information for teacher, if applicable:	
<b>Other documentation –</b>  <b>1) Young player essay:</b> Tell us about yourself. What free-reed instrument do you play? How did you get interested in playing that instrument? How long have you been playing? Do you take lessons from a teacher, or are you learning in some other way? What kind(s) of music do you play or would like to be able to play? What do you hope to get out of attending the NESI weekend, if you are selected? Feel free to add any other information that will help us understand you as a musician.  <b>2) A brief written recommendation:</b> from the young player's teacher or another adult who is familiar with his/her playing and can tell us about his/her interest and commitment. Proficiency is not a determining factor; commitment to becoming a better player is. A serious beginner can win this award.	

Submit all documentation by **June 30** to: [ssgowan@gmail.com](mailto:ssgowan@gmail.com) or by post:

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All applications will be reviewed by an individual or committee comprised of or appointed by the NESI organizers. One applicant will be selected and notified no later than July 15 of the current year. The award winner must confirm his/her intention to accept the award by July 31, or another winner will be selected.

The award is given only once to the same person, but winners will be eligible for a 50% reduction in the cost of cabin accommodation for the next three consecutive NESI events (or an equivalent cost reduction in lodge housing). Eligibility for that discount period ends with the awardee's 26th birthday. If the winner is under the age of 18 during any or all of those three events, the same discount will be provided to the required accompany adult.