Tina Hashemi March 8 2019 Minigrant Proposal

Continuing the Development of a Jazz Portfolio

Project Overview

As an aspiring jazz vocalist, I have been using my time at UVA to grow my repertoire, hone my singing technique, and sing with other students in band settings in order to build a solid foundation for the skills I will need to make this my career. Last semester, I used my minigrant to record a demo album and create a website that showcases my portfolio as a jazz singer. This website has been very useful in applying to workshops and seeking out gigs. However, in developing my website, I've realized that many of the videos I have of myself singing are very poor in both sound and visual quality. Through the Miller Arts Scholar Foundation, I hope to spend this semester continuing to develop my portfolio by purchasing a recording device that I can use to record my performances as well as a year-long subscription to squarespace to maintain my website, to which I will upload the recordings. This project is of exceptional importance to me in my development as a professional musician since high quality sound recordings will allow me to represent my best self to bookers and others in the jazz scene.

Link to camcorder:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B00AR95H7U/ref=ox_sc_mini_detail?ie=UTF8&psc=1&smid=A1Q91JLDZYT4D7



Sony HDR-CX230/B High Definition Handycam Camcorder with 2.7-Inch LCD

1920x1080 Full HD 60p with 8.9MP Exmor R CMOS Sensor

Link to audio recording device:

https://www.mjartmall.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&products_id=250980



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Link to website: https://tinahashemimusic.squarespace.com/

Timeline

April:

- Record videos of my solo with the Jazz Ensemble, Small Groups, and other gigs and upload them to Youtube.
- Purchase a year-long subscription to Squarespace and upload the videos to the website.

Budget

	Cost	Justification
Website Maintenance	\$144	A year long subscription to squarespace to keep my website up and running
H1 Portable Digital Audio Recorder	\$120	Audio recording device that is especially suited to recording live performances
Sony High Definition Handycam Camcorder with 2.7-Inch LCD	\$300	Visual camcorder device that is especially suited to recording live performances (works in low-light settings, has stabilizing mechanisms)

TOTAL	\$564	
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I am requesting \$500 for this recording equipment and subscription. I am willing to pay the extra \$64 from my savings.