



Application for Hotel Occupancy Tax Funds

The City of Mount Vernon collects Hotel Occupancy Tax from lodging and hospitality establishments located within the city limits at a rate of 7% per night for every customer staying at the establishment for fewer than 30 days. The State of Texas permits these funds to be reinvested into community efforts at promoting tourism and/or historic preservation.

All applications submitted will be reviewed by the Mount Vernon City Council. The City Council may elect to award none, all, or some of the requested funding for each individual request. Incomplete applications will not be considered. For any information that is not relevant to your organization please place "N/A" in the space provided.

All applications must be submitted to City Hall (109 N. Kaufman St) by **12:00 PM on Wednesday, May 21, 2025**. Late applications will not be accepted.

Applications will be reviewed by the City Council Workshop at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, May 27, 2025.

Organization Name	
Mount Vernon Music Assn.	
Point of Contact	Contact Phone
Mark Miller	903-563-3780
Contact Email	
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Project Name	Project Date
MVH Hall painting + 20th Season	Summer 2025
Project Description (if necessary additional information may be attached)	
We are requesting funds to support our 20th season of public events, which draw audience from as far as 100 miles away and to assist with funding a much needed paint job on the exterior woodwork of our historic concert venue, Mount Vernon Music Hall.	
Estimated Project Attendance	Estimated Overnight Stays in Mount Vernon
500+	10

Project Category (check all that apply)

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| ☐ Convention and Visitors Centers | ☒ Historical Restoration and Preservation |
| ☐ Convention Registration | ☐ Sporting Events |
| ☒ Advertising the City | ☐ Tourist Transportation Systems |
| ☒ Promotion of the Arts | ☐ Signage Directing the Public to Sites and Attractions |

Amount Requested

By signing below, I certify that all of the following are true statements:

- All information presented in this document is accurate.
- All estimates presented in this document are reasonable and based on evidence
- The applicant understands that HOT funds are limited and funding is not guaranteed
- The applicant understands that in order to be fully compliant with uses allowable by the State of Texas, these funds must be applied to an event or project and may not be used to fund general operations of the organization.


Applicant Signature

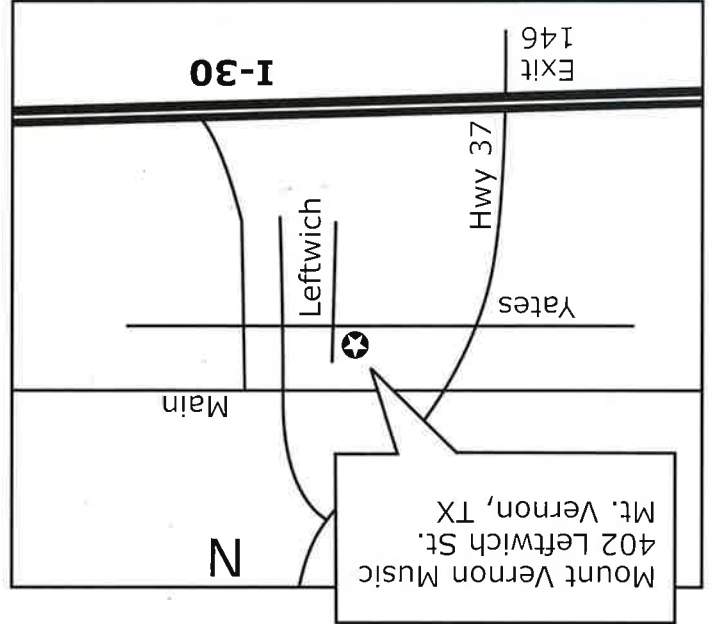
Mark T. Miller
Applicant Printed Name

Mount Vernon Music Assn.
Applicant Organization

5-19-2025
Date of Application Submission

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2024-2025 SEASON

**COMMON
PURPOSE**



Dear Friends,

Although (or because?) we humans have never in history been more dominant as a species, it can be hard to look past our differences and disagreements. Even a quick glance at the programming you see here reveals a dizzying assortment of music from starkly divergent backgrounds. Yet in creating music, these composers find a connection to the better angels of our humanity, just as we do when we hear their creations. Somehow, like the pelicans pictured, we are heading in the same direction. From laughter to grief to consoling beauty to exuberant joy, music connects with us all in deep and profound ways.

Thank you for sharing this experience with us, and for your support that makes it all possible. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Mark Miller
President, Mount Vernon Music

I. GINNY MAC TRIO

Sunday, September 1, 2024 at 2:30 pm
Mount Vernon Music Hall

Fort Worth native Ginny Mac has toured with Brave Combo, Asleep at the Wheel, The Texas Playboys and more. But her vocal and keyboard skills are equally likely to transport you to a sidewalk café in Paris as the plains of West Texas. Don't miss Ginny and her trio as they open MVM's 19th Season.



Ginny Mac

II. SMILES INCLUDED

Saturday, November 23, 2024 at 7:30 pm
St. Rita Catholic Church, 12521 Inwood Rd., Dallas, TX 75244
Sunday, November 24, 2024 at 2:30 pm
Mount Vernon Music Hall

There are pieces of music that warm our hearts and pick us up through their sheer beauty, or by offering a new slant on a beloved melody, while others are created just to tickle our funny-bone. Enjoy music from the lighter side, with string quartets by Joseph Haydn, Florence Price, Paul Hindemith and more.

Mark Miller and Andres Bravo, violins; Ute Miller, viola; Laura Ospina, cello



Florence Price



Paul Hindemith

III. UNEXPECTED TREASURES

Saturday, January 11, 2025 at 7:30 pm
Mount Vernon Music Hall
Sunday, January 12, 2025 at 2:30 pm
Steinway Piano Gallery of Fort Worth
510 Commerce St., Fort Worth, TX 76102

Don't be put off if you don't recognize any of the titles – or composers – in this program! This musical menu is one deliciously beautiful musical delicacy after another, including piano quartets by Joaquin Turina and Louise Adolpha Le Beau, Arnold Bax's Quintet for oboe and strings, and "Calvary" by Coleridge-Taylor Perkinson. With pianist **Evan Mitchell** and oboist **Sharon Lacey**.



Coleridge-Taylor Perkinson



Louise Adolpha Le Beau

IV. PIANO SUPERLATIVES

Saturday, February 15, 2025 at 7:30 pm
Steinway Piano Gallery of Plano
5813 Preston Rd. #570, Plano, TX 75093
Sunday, February 16, 2025 at 2:30 pm
Mount Vernon Music Hall

With masterworks demanding the utmost in piano virtuosity, we bring together Johannes Brahms and Edvard Grieg, and salute their mutual respect for each other's work. With **Evan Mitchell**, piano. Edward Grieg *Piano Concerto*, Johannes Brahms *Piano Quintet*.



Evan Mitchell

V. ON THE SHOULDERS OF GIANTS

Saturday, March 22, 2025 at 7:30 pm
St. Mark's Anglican Church
2024 S. Collins St., Arlington, TX 76010
Sunday, March 23, 2025 at 2:30 pm
Mount Vernon Music Hall

Richard Strauss created his radiant *Metamorphosen* in 1945 to process his grief after what he called "the most terrible period of mankind." MVM presents this gorgeous music together with an arrangement of the beloved *Pastoral Symphony* by Beethoven's contemporary Michael Gotthard Fischer. With MVM Scholarship Award winners.

Mark Miller and **Andres Bravo**, violins; **Ute Miller** and **Matt Sinno**, viola; **NN** and **Noemie Golubovic**, cello; **Jack Unzicker**, bass



Ludwig van Beethoven



Richard Strauss

VI. FAMILY CONCERT

Saturday, April 26, 2025 at 11:00 am
Mount Vernon Music Hall

The Tortoise and the Hare, Camille Saint-Saëns' *Carnival of the Animals*, and *Rumpelstiltskin* gets a musical update with help from Mozart! With MVM Scholarship Award winners.



VII. FROM SORROW TO JOY: MUSICAL MESSAGES

Saturday, May 24, 2025 at 6:30 pm
Daphne Prairie, 4020 FM 1896
Mt. Vernon, TX 75457

Sunday, May 25, 2025 at 2:30 pm
The Old Frankford Church
17400 Muirfield Dr, Dallas, TX

From Shostakovich's eighth string quartet, dedicated "to the victims of fascism and war," to a virtuoso duo about testing one's limits on the ski slope, to musical portraits of some of our country's most beautiful shoreline, this program has tales to tell. Come hear them in an extraordinary concert on the magnificent Daphne Prairie just outside Mt. Vernon. Composers include Sally Beamish, Jesse Montgomery, Svante Henryson and more. With MVM Scholarship Award winners.



Jesse Montgomery



Dmitri Shostakovich



Svante Henryson



Sally Beamish

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*Because music
belongs to all of us.*

Events may be subject to change due to circumstances beyond our control. Please visit www.mountvernonmusic.org for latest information about upcoming events.

MVM memberships start at \$25 and are good for the entire season from June 1 through May 31. Membership supports all of Mount Vernon Music's outreach work and gives members substantial ticket discounts. To purchase tickets, become a member, or make a donation, please visit www.mountvernonmusic.org.

MVM Youth Outreach programs bring clinics by expert brass, woodwind and percussion players into middle and high schools to help students improve their skills, and MVM's professional performance teams visit East Texas schools to present musical stories.



With **Musical Lifelines**, Mount Vernon Music brightens the lives of people in long-term care facilities with performances by professional musicians throughout East Texas.

MVM's Scholarship helps young people pay for music studies, funding private lessons, music camps, or instruments and equipment. Applicants experience preparation of music to concert level for financial assistance and performance opportunities.

