

ABBADO

European Young Musicians Trust

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Dear Professor Merrick,

Abbado European Young Musicians Trust

Since the early 1980s the Abbado European Musicians Trust has very successfully helped young musicians on the threshold of a professional career with the purchase of their instruments. The Trust recognises the difficulties faced by many young musicians in affording instruments to fulfil their potential and to allow them to progress to a professional level. Many successful recipients of a loan from the Trust have trained at one of the UK's leading conservatoires.

The trustees of the Abbado European Young Musicians Trust find themselves in the position of having sufficient funds to continue to help deserving musicians. To that end we are pleased to be in a position to remind you of our mission.

Interest free loans for the specific purpose of instrument purchase can be applied for on completion of a simple application form and the following conditions need to be met:

- An applicant is under 30 at time of application (with relevant evidence provided);
- Two references be provided. One on musical experience with another on character;
- Two guarantors be given, at least one of whom should be resident in UK;
- Verification of the price be given by an independent expert source;
- A short Curriculum Vitae be supplied.

The trustees pride themselves on having designed an application process that gives an applicant a rapid response as there is no need for an interview and the trustees review applications on a regular basis. Our record on loan servicing is also streamlined and excellent.

The trustees are keen to encourage applications from any of your deserving students so please treat this letter as an invitation to that end. If you have any questions on this please don't hesitate to contact either Philip Robinson (harradine8@yahoo.co.uk) or Emily Davies (emily.davies@crsblaw.com), both of whom may also be contacted by post at the address set out below.

Yours sincerely,

Philip Robinson

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