

YOUTH CLASSICS

SIMA Swiss International Music Academy

16. Swiss International Music Academy – SIMA 2026

Application letter for cost reduction on room & board

Scholarships to reduce hotel and meal expenses can only be awarded in exceptional cases. Since the association YOUTH CLASSICS already covers all course costs, the funds available for scholarships are limited and are granted only to students who can justify their need. For this purpose, the artistic director requires a written justification for the participant's application as well as background information on the financial situation of the participant or their parents. The exceptional financial need must be proven. The documents listed below must be submitted as attachments to the application.

The decision regarding the awarding of scholarships will be made in **June 2026**.

Personal information:

First name: _____

Last name: _____

Year of birth: _____

Current institution of musical education: _____

Current teacher : _____

SIMA teacher: _____

Self-assessment of support needs:

Please check all that apply:

- ☐ I can only participate at the SIMA 2026 with a full scholarship (scholarship including all room & board costs)
- ☐ I can afford to pay a part of the room & board costs at the SIMA 2026

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Documents to be submitted with the application:

1. Motivation letter:

Maximum one A4 page, dated and signed.

2. Curriculum vitae (tabular form):

Maximum two A4 pages.

No continuous text.

For competition achievements: limit to the three most important prizes.

3. Copy of identity card (ID) or passport

4. Information on your own financial situation and that of your parents

5. Two letters of recommendation:

a. **Current letter of recommendation 1, mandatory, from a teaching professor;** dated and personally signed by the author, maximum one A4 page.

b. **Current letter of recommendation 2 from another renowned musician;** dated and personally signed by the author, maximum one A4 page.

6. Proof of participation for SIMA 2026 (*issued by YOUTH CLASSICS*)

All documents must be submitted as PDF files; other formats will not be considered and will result in a formal rejection.

By submitting this application, you confirm that,

- you are of legal age (at least 18 years old). For minors, at least one parent or legal guardian must submit the application.
- you are submitting original documents (i.e., neither you nor anyone else has added information afterwards to original letters of recommendation, etc.).
- in the event of a positive decision, you will write a letter of thanks to the person or institution awarding the scholarship.

Place / Date:

Signature (for minors: signature of a parent or legal guardian):
