NEAL PECK MEMORIAL NEW TALENT STAGE

In the spirit of promoting dulcimers and dulcimer music, HANDS of Illinois is offering a special opportunity to anyone who wants to perform on a dulcimer, either hammered or mountain, at this year's Festival. A \$75 stipend will be given to that performance, whether a solo or group, if, in addition to the Festival, he/she/they perform on the dulcimer at one more venue within the six months following the Festival. One stipend per person/group will be awarded per year, and the funding is limited. Here is your chance to promote dulcimers, gain some notoriety, and get paid for your efforts.

If you are interested, here is what to do:

- 1. Fill out the form below. Submit it to gebhard.festival@gmail.com.
- 2. Sign up and perform a 25-minute concert at the Festival's New Talent Stage.
- 3. Arrange for, and perform, an additional concert within six months following the Festival (library, school, church, retirement home, etc.).

4. Submit Final Form, along with proof of performance (video, photos, poster, etc.) before

Submit Final Form, before December 1, 2024, to Hammers and Noters Dulcimer Society of Illinois, P.O. Box 803, Morris, IL 60450-0803 **OR** email to gebhard.festival@gmail.com.

FINAL FORM Name Address_____ Phone______ Email_____ Date of Program_____ Length of Program_____ Program Venue______Phone of Venue_____ Address of Venue_____ Repertoire Performed_____ Size of Audience_____Adults_____Children_____ What did you do to promote the knowledge of dulcimers to the audience?

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