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Petition for support of freelance artists and students – members of Marimba Festiva Association

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Dear members!
Dear friends of the marimba!

Marimba Festiva Association focuses on fostering the younger marimba generation. Starting eight years ago, we have been supporting young musicians and offering a platform for their committed development as artists. Various small and large events have enhanced the possibilities for international interchange and led to stronger bonds between marimbists from different places all around the world. The basic idea has been understood and accepted. The list of members is long, diverse as well as international and full of important artists – professors and tutors, fans of the marimba, freelance musicians and students.

The lockdown has quickly proven that the **arts are a sensitive branch** for which it is particularly hard to get the necessary support. Especially **freelance artists and students** are highly dependent on financial initiatives to compensate for cancelled concerts and events.

In the last few weeks, we have heard a lot about **solidarity**, which has become an essential part of all facets of life. Many support programmes have been initiated to help people through the struggles caused by the corona virus. In these difficult times, society is moving closer together, which we consider to be an enrichment regarding charitable aspects.

One of our ideas of contribution is to use grants in order to organize smaller concerts in public places to both re-activate cultural life and present the marimba. Marimba Festiva Association would give small fees to the artists and offer further organisational support.

As members of the board, we would like to start a fund for supporting our members. **We especially would like to appeal to those who are lucky enough to have an assured income and would be able to spare at least a small amount of money.** Furthermore, we want to direct our petition to the International Society to find more supporters.

Marimba Festiva Association is prepared to contribute to the following programme with a current budget of 2000 €

Guidelines and further information:

Who is the programme addressed to?

It mainly addresses to students and freelance artists - members of Marimba Festiva Association.

What can be supported?

Different solo or ensemble marimba activities, e.g. concerts, shows, seminars, workshops and presentations. In case of further restrictions of public life, creative online ideas are welcome, too.

Our means:

Marimba Festiva Association offers 2000 € from its own budget. We are hoping for further donations from the International Marimba Society and charitable members of Marimba Festiva. Your donation is tax- deductible and you will receive a donation receipt. The final budget will be distributed amongst approved projects.

The final budget we hope for would be 5.000 €**How can I apply for support?**

An informal request is sufficient. Please don't forget to include the following information:

- 1 – A quick description of your financial situation
- 2 – Details about the project
- 3 – A calculation of costs of the project

Additional information:**Bank account details:**

Marimba Festiva e.V.
IBAN - DE66760695640000860999
BIC - GENODEF1BTO
Subject: Corona – Petition 2020

PayPal account details:

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Applications must be handed in by 31st August 2020.

Time frame for planned projects: September – December 2020

The projects approved by the board will be published publicly and documented.

Please support us now, so we can improve the future of the marimba and our artists together.

In the name of Board of the Association

Slawomir Mscisz



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Translated from German version by Christine Kribbel, thank you!