Criteria for the Carlton Music Makers entrants.

The criteria for entry to the competition and selection of students will be as follows:

- 1. The student shall be studying music with 'performance' (solo) as one of the elements.
 - This may be at school at A or AS level; individually, with a music tutor; or in a group (e.g. as part of a choir or orchestra); or any combination. (Both state or privately funded acceptable.)
 - The student does not necessarily have to be going on to study music at University or Music College.
- 2. The student shall live and / or be educated in Nottinghamshire.
 - Nottinghamshire will be defined as anywhere within the county boundary and outside the boundary with a "NG postcode". (This will include the City and county, and also the wider areas of Newark, Grantham, Shirebrook, Sleaford etc. (see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NG postcode area)
- 3. The student shall be in post 16 education, (they will be at least 16 years old) or shall have recently left school.
 - This includes all 6th form students and those who have left school but are in a 'gap' year before going on to further education, or other occupation.
- 4. The student should have a minimum qualification in performance on voice or other instrument of (equivalent to) Associated Board exams Grade 6 or higher.
- 5. The student shall be available to perform a 10 minute programme (approximately) at the Choir's Festival Concert in the year when the award will be presented (usually held in April).
 - The choir's accompanist may be asked to accompany the student if they wish.
- 6. The student must submit a DVD video recording of (up to) a 10 minute performance by the **closing** date. The recording should be up to date (recorded within a year of the Festival concert), and show a true reflection of the students' abilities.
 - The closing date to be decided each year, but no later than two months before the Festival Concert date.