

# Bakari Lake-Sample Memorial Educational Scholarship

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Annual Deadline: April 15

"Good Music, Good Food, Always keeps me in a Good Mood." ~ Bakari M. Lake-Sample

Those we love remain with us for love itself lives on, and cherished memories never fade because a loved one is gone. Those we love can never be more than a thought apart. For as long there is a memory, they'll live on in our hearts. ~ Author unknown



### About Mr. Bakari M. Lake-Sample

Mr. Bakari M. Lake-Sample was born on August 24, 1985 in Albany, New York. He was educated locally at St. Pius X School and Bishop Maginn High School. After graduating from high school, Bakari attended SUNY Buffalo State (formerly known as Buffalo Sate College) where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Media Production on May 16, 2009. Since 2010, Bakari was on his way to earning his Master of Science degree in Communications with a concentration in Media Production at the College of Saint Rose. During his undergraduate and graduate school career, Bakari developed and maintained a website devoted to underground artists (<a href="www.areyouinthatmoodyet.com">www.areyouinthatmoodyet.com</a>). Bakari passed away January 29, 2012.

Bakari had love for many things, but his greatest love was music. From a young age, he spent time listening and studying various forms of music. He played the piano, wrote rap lyrics, produced other artists, and critiqued rappers of his time. He was always current in the latest news in the hip hop community. During undergraduate studies in Buffalo, he acquired recording equipment and this led to the production and creation of numerous innovative beats. He turned his dorm into a recording space for artists to produce their music and record in a comfortable environment. He initiated his website while at Buffalo State. It started as a blog and evolved into the website <a href="www.areyouinthatmoodyet.com">www.areyouinthatmoodyet.com</a>. He spent time in managing his own material, but also devoted his time to posting and hosting various hip hop artists; giving them a chance and opportunity in the music world. His website was devoted to providing quality content that is enjoyable to everyone.

#### THE BAKARI M. LAKE-SAMPLE MEMORIAL EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

#### **Purpose**

This scholarship is for students trying to bring their own ideas and visions to life. We hope our contribution to a student's education will help fulfill their life goals. Students studying in the field of communications, media production, music, and arts management are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

#### **Requirement**

- 1. Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.75 or above for undergraduates to apply, and a GPA of 3.0 or above for graduate students to apply.
- 2. Must be currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate school program.
- 3. Must submit application form, essay, and all other requested information by April 15.
- 4. Must submit an official transcript.
- 5. Must submit a copy of your resume or biographical sketch.
- 6. Must have two (2) letters of recommendation: one from a member of your community, and one from an academic affiliated with the higher education institution that you attend (e.g., advisor, professor, department chair, director, internship/graduate assistantship supervisor if you have a campus position, academic mentor, etc.).

#### **Essay Requirements**

Three-page double-spaced essay answering the following questions:

- 1. How do you plan to help your community with your dream and vision? Please be specific.
- 2. Describe your ultimate goal or dream, and how you plan to achieve it? Please be specific.
- 3. Describe a hero in your life? How has this hero affected your life? Please be specific.

PLEASE NOTE THAT INCOMPLETE AND/OR LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. PLEASE CONFIRM THAT YOUR PACKET IS COMPLETE PRIOR TO SUBMISSION. A COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKET IS DUE NO LATER THAN APRIL 15.

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## **General Application (please write neatly if not typing)**

Name:
Current Address:
City/State/Zip Code:
Phone Number with Area Code:
Email Address:
<u>Undergraduate School Applicant – GPA of 2.75 or above</u>
Name of College/University:
College/University Address:
Major:
Anticipated Graduation Date (include month/year):
Current Grade Point Average (GPA):
Or
<u>Graduate School Applicant – GPA of 3.0 or above (i.e. master's, advanced certificate, doctoral)</u>
Name of College/University:
College/University Address:
Month/Year Undergraduate Degree Conferred:
Graduate School Major:
Anticipated Graduation Date (include month/year):
Current Grade Point Average (GPA):

## **CONDITION OF SCHOLARSHIP:**

The recipient(s) will receive written notification of the Scholarship Committee's decision no later than May $30^{th}$ . The recipient(s) will receive the one-time, non-renewable scholarship on the second Sunday in June at the $11:00$ a.m. Worship service.
Please check:
I have reviewed the application and verified that all information is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree with the conditions herein.
I, the undersigned, hereby grant permission to the Macedonia Baptist Church Scholarship Fund Committee to publish personal biographical information submitted in conjunction with annual reports filed, newspaper articles published and/or photographs taken that may be added to the Macedonia Baptist Church website ( <a href="www.macedoniaofalbany.org">www.macedoniaofalbany.org</a> ) or published in literature.
Applicant's Signature:
Date: