Message from Chairman



Overview of Sony Music Foundation (as of January 2014) Sony Music Foundation started under its name on October 2, 1984, after our former chairman, the late Norio Ohga, took over then already existing foundation which was initially established on April 20, 1977.

Ever since to this day, aiming at the further popularization of music, opera, dance and other performing arts, we have been working hard to promote international exchanges, the further vitalization of creative developments, the fostering of human resources, with a view to the contribution to the further development of the culture of our country.

After being authorized by the Prime Minister in March 2012, Sony Music Foundation made a new start as a "public interest incorporated foundation" as of April 1 that year. We will continue to make the best effort possible as a public interest incorporated foundation to make further contributions to the advancement of musical art, and sincerely appreciate your further guidance and encouragement.

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《 Request for Contribution 》

Sony Music Foundation continues to put its great effort on promoting the development of musical art by activities including the organization of major events at large scale such as "THE INTERNATIONAL OBOE COMPETITION OF JAPAN in Karuizawa" and "Special Concert Series for Children", on an ongoing basis. Despite our efforts such as reducing expenses, our financial situation is not sufficient enough to fulfill our objectives. Thus we are in need of large support from many, and we would very much appreciate your kind contribution. As of April 1, 2012, our foundation has made a transition to a "public interest incorporated foundation", which falls under the category of "specified public - service promotion corporation" that is given the preferential treatment of donations. In accordance with the Income Tax Law as well as the Corporation Tax Law, donations to our foundation will be recognized as specific donations and are given preferential treatments; individuals are allowed to deduct them from their incomes and corporations can include them in their deductible expenses. As to «How to Make Contribution, please refer to Page 13.