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2018 VCS Ronald Darone Memorial Scholarship Awarded

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In 2018 The Virginia Choral Society (VCS) established a new scholarship fund, **The Ronald Darone Memorial Scholarship**, for a high school graduating senior who desires to continue his/her education with a focus on music performance or education.



Colin Freeman
Poquoson High School

VCS is pleased to announce and offer our congratulations for our 2018 Ronald Darone Memorial Scholarship award to Mr. Colin Freeman.

Colin is a graduating senior at Poquoson High School. He has been accepted into several music programs but is still making his decision as to where to attend in the fall.

Colin has been in musical theater and theater productions for all four years of high school. He was a member of all-district chorus since grade 7, all-Virginia chorus in his junior and senior years, and Virginia Honors choir in his senior year. He has also attended special summer programs at the Governor's School for the Performing Arts and at Boston University's Tanglewood Institute, in the Young Artist program. Colin studied under Chris Mooney at Christopher Newport University.

We are pleased to offer Colin a \$1000.00 cash award to help support his collegiate studies. The award was presented by Ms. Janie Darone, the VCS Scholarship Awardee in 2010 and daughter of Mr. Ronald Darone.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional information regarding the Virginia Choral Society is provided on our webpage: www.vachoralsociety.org and on the VCS Concert Line at 851-9114.

ABOUT VCS: The Virginia Choral Society (VCS), active since 1931, is the largest continually performing community arts organization on the Peninsula. VCS is an IRS 501 (c) 3 code non-profit organization of about 90 singers, sustained by the generosity of grants from arts commissions, individual gifts, corporate funding and concert ticket sales.



Kaye Darone, Scholarship Chair; Mark Sink, Scholarship Committee Member; Colin Freeman; Sarah Frook Gallo, Artistic Director; Janie Darone 1st Scholarship Winner, 2010