



NIPAWIN MUSIC FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION

Promoting Music Education

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Dear Teacher,

We are eagerly anticipating Festival 2021 - March 21-27! Our goal is to host a live festival with the necessary adjustments to comply with whichever Saskatchewan Health Authority COVID-19 guidelines are in effect at that time. Should the guidelines at the time be too restrictive to host a live festival, we have plans in place to run a virtual festival with adjudication and opportunities for winning awards. We will keep all registrants and teachers informed of policies regarding how festival will be organized. Thank you for your patience and continued support of Nipawin Music Festival!

Registration Deadline: January 31, 2021 @ 11:59p.m.

Due to the ongoing possibility of having to cancel, we will not accept payment of fees until March 15-17.

Everything you need to know about the Nipawin Music Festival can be found on the website - www.nipawinmusicfestival.ca - including this year's dates and venues, the new local class lists and on-line registration.

Sask Health Authority COVID-19 Guidelines

We are following closely the guidelines set out by SHA as well as the Saskatchewan Music Festival Association. It is by the SMFA recommendation that we will only be offering registrations for solo performances. Registrations for piano duets will also be accepted where the competitors are from the same household. Accompanists are allowed but the required distance between soloist and accompanist will be enforced.

Please be sure to check the NMFA website continually during the week of festival before performing to make sure you and your students know what the requirements will be in case the SHA guidelines change.

SMFA Syllabus and Local Class Lists

You will find links for the SMFA syllabus and the NMFA local class lists on the website. Please note that there have been some changes to the SMFA syllabus - several more provincial level classes have been added as well for the SMFA Excellence Classes.

On-line Registration

Once again we will only be accepting on-line registrations. The process hasn't changed much from last year but a few changes have been made by your suggestions. If you have any questions or notice any issues, please don't hesitate to contact me.

On a separate page, I have made a template for you to give to each of your students if they are registering themselves so that they know what information to enter. I would encourage you as a teacher to take some time to look through the registration form so that you can help them if they have questions.

Again the entry deadline is January 31, 2021. Fees are \$14/solo or duet class. No changes will be made once the program has been made.

If you have any questions about the website or registration process, please don't hesitate to contact me. If you have questions about the music festival in general you can contact myself or Jamie Hildebrandt, Festival President, (306-812-8086).

Thank you for your desire to impart the joy of music in the lives of your students. We look forward to hearing them and celebrating their learning with you!

Sincerely,

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