

2018 Provincial Music and Arts Festival Results May 25-27, 2018

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals (AMAF) congratulates all participants in the 2018 Provincial Music and Arts Festival for their excellent performances. It was amazing to see that all 30 member festivals and their communities were represented. Further congratulations are extended to the recipients of the awards listed below. AMAF thanks its generous financial supporters and scholarship donors. A special thank you is extended to all volunteers. Without the support of sponsors, donors and volunteers, this event would not be possible.

Manitoba Composition Competition

Four compositions were entered in the competition, with the following results:

Award Winners: Trevor Graumann (Winnipeg, MB) and Anna Schwartz (Fort Frances, ON)

Preliminary, Junior, Intermediate, Advanced, Senior Classes

Preliminary Vocal

1st Place: Isaias Odiatu (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Bruch-Wiens Scholarship*

2nd Place: Olivia Hayward (Virden, MB) – Virden Music & Arts Festival *Meridian Arts Festival Scholarship*

3rd Place: Kennedy Carvill (Pilot Mound, MB) – Rock Lake Festival of the Arts *Judy Urbonas Scholarship*

Junior Vocal

1st Place: Lukas Sawatsky (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Brandon Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

2nd Place: Stephanie Bell (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Rolling River Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

3rd Place: Mersadie Thiessen (Mitchell, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival *Judy Urbonas Scholarship*

Intermediate Vocal

1st Place: Madelyn Mierau Friesen (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Ernest Jones Scholarship 'In honour of Mary Ann Taylor'*

2nd Place: Azaria Neuschwander (Gladstone, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Mercier Family Scholarship*

Advanced Vocal

1st Place: Anton Sokalski (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Shirley Penner Scholarship*

2nd Place: Hailey Witt (Winnipeg, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Shirley Penner Scholarship*

Senior Vocal

1st Place: Sven Buller (Steinbach, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Manitoba Registered Music Teachers' Association Scholarship*

2nd Place: Erika Rasmussen (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Prairie Sounds Festival Scholarship*

Preliminary Piano

1st Place: Erika Feng (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Claire DuBois Scholarship*

2nd Place: Xavier Pak (Brandon, MB) – Rolling River Festival of the Arts *Morden Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

3rd Place: Kinzie Friesen (Altona, MB) – Red River Festival of the Arts *Red River Valley Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

Preliminary J.S. Bach: Xavier Pak (Brandon, MB) – Rolling River Festival of the Arts *Jean & Lorne Chapple Memorial Scholarship*

Junior Piano

1st Place: Seth Cheung (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Carberry Music and Arts Festival Scholarship*

2nd Place: Marcel Alles (Winkler, MB) – Winkler Festival of the Arts *North Western Marquette Festival Scholarship*

3rd Place: Treyton Hamm (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival *Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship*

Junior J.S. Bach: Elias Mierau (Winkler, MB) – Winkler Festival of the Arts Jean & Lorne Chapple Memorial Scholarship

Intermediate Piano

1st Place: Sarah Shing (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Meridian Arts Festival Scholarship*

2nd Place: Kendra Palles (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Winnipeg Music Festival Scholarship*

3rd Place: Sydney Soroka (MacDonald, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival *Virden Music & Arts Festival Scholarship*

Intermediate J.S. Bach: Lucas Janke (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival *Jean & Lorne Chapple Memorial Scholarship*

Advanced Piano

1st Place: Kevin Yuan Li (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship*

2nd Place: Joshua Dyck (Altona, MB) – Red River Festival of the Arts *Prairie Sounds Festival Scholarship*

3rd Place: Grace Gabrielle Lu (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Advanced J.S. Bach: Kevin Yuan Li (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Jean & Lorne Chapple Memorial Scholarship*

Senior Piano

1st Place: Albert Chen (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *James G. McFee Memorial Scholarship*

2nd Place: Sophie Kim (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Manitoba Registered Music Teachers' Association Scholarship*

Senior J.S. Bach: Anna Schwartz (Fort Frances, ON) — Rainy River District Festival of the Performing Arts *Jean & Lorne Chapple Memorial Scholarship*

Preliminary Strings

1st Place: Olivia Groening (Winkler, MB) – Morden Festival of the Arts *Elizabeth Lupton Scholarship*

2nd Place: Mikayla Sawatsky (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship*

Junior Strings

1st Place: Jonah Hiebert (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival *Gordon Braybrook Memorial Scholarship*

2nd Place: Sannelle Engelbrecht (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Vi Streuber Memorial Scholarship*

Intermediate Strings

1st Place: Shiloh Hiebert (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival *Elizabeth Lupton Scholarship*

2nd Place: Nya Sinéad Dubyk (Altona, MB) – Morden Festival of the Arts *Vi Streuber Memorial Scholarship*

Advanced Strings

1st Place: Malacai Hiebert (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival *Tiger Hills Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

2nd Place: Paolo Camus (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Morden Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

Junior Classical Guitar

1st Place: Vishwa Srinivasan (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship*

2nd Place: Wesley Waagenaar (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival *Winnipeg Music Festival Scholarship*

Intermediate Classical Guitar

1st Place: Alyssa Cohen (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship*

2nd Place: Stephan Engelbrecht (Brandon, MB) - Brandon Festival of the Arts Southeastern Manitoba Festival Scholarship

Advanced Classical Guitar

1st Place: Gloria Aza Farje (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship*

Senior Classical Guitar

1st Place: James Graham (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Brian Meads (Moosehorn, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Preliminary Woodwinds

1st Place: Biju Jeong (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship*

2nd Place: Maya Bourgeois (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Junior Woodwinds

1st Place: Qichang (Shelley) Shen (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Associated Manitoba Arts Festival Scholarship*

Intermediate Woodwinds

1st Place: Calista Wiese (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Catherine M. Wood Scholarship*

2nd Place: Soo Yeon Cho (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Advanced Woodwinds

1st Place: Steve Onyshko (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Manitoba Band Association Scholarship*

2nd Place: Hwan Gyu Cho (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship*

Preliminary Brass

1st Place: Sam Ferguson (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Preliminary Chamber Group

1st Place: Awesome Foursome (Sophie Caron, Isla Penner, Elazar Schwartz & Asher Yip) (Winnipeg, MB)

Morna-June Morrow Scholarship

Preliminary Canadian Composers

1st Place: Olivia Hayward (Virden, MB) – Virden Music & Arts Festival *Ernest Jones Scholarship*

2nd Place: Xavier Pak (Brandon, MB) – Rolling River Festival of the Arts *Mercier Family Scholarship*

3rd Place: Alyssa Newitt (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship*

Preliminary MB Composers Award: Antonietta S. Bueti (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival S.C. Eckhardt-Gramatté Manitoba Composers Scholarship

Junior Canadian Composers

1st Place: Riley Johnston (Darlingford, MB) – Pembina Valley Music Festival *Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship*

2nd Place: Asia Morash (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Pembina Valley Music Festival Scholarship*

3rd Place: Grace Jeffrey (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Red River Valley Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

Junior MB Composers Award: Jessica Ramachandran (Portage la Prairie, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival S.C. Eckhardt-Gramatté Manitoba Composers Scholarship

Intermediate Canadian Composers

1st Place: Azaria Neuschwander (Gladstone, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Rolling River Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

2nd Place: Gavin Raes (Deloraine, MB) – Deloraine Border Festival *Hurton Family Scholarship*

3rd Place: Hailey Anderson (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Advanced Canadian Composers

1st Place: Nika Martinussen (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship

2nd Place: Paige Harris (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Dr. Lorne Watson Memorial Scholarship*

Advanced MB Composers Award: Nika Martinussen (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival S.C. Eckhardt-Gramatté Manitoba Composers Scholarship

Senior Canadian Composers

1st Place: Sabina Rzazade (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Dr. Lorne Watson Scholarship*

2nd Place: Julie Sidorchuk (Steinbach, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Senior MB Composers Award: Tianhao Wang (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival S.C. Eckhardt-Gramatté Manitoba Composers Scholarship

Intermediate W.A. Mozart

1st Place: Annie Johnston (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Raleigh Family Scholarship*

2nd Place: Nathan Nguyen (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Raleigh Family Scholarship*

3rd Place: Raven McKenzie. (St. Lazare, MB) – North Western Marquette Festiva *Raleigh Family Scholarship*

Advanced W.A. Mozart

1st Place: Leon Katsnelson (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Raleigh Family Scholarship*

2nd Place: Sara Janke (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival *Raleigh Family Scholarship*

3rd Place: Rose Sanders (Manitou, MB) – Pembina Valley Music Festival *Raleigh Family Scholarship*

Senior W.A. Mozart

1st Place: Anna Schwartz (Fort Francis, ON) – Rainy River District Festival of the Performing Arts *Raleigh Family Scholarship*

Preliminary Musical Theatre

1st Place: Keenan Lehman (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship*

2nd Place: Taylor Manning (Stonewall, MB) – Rockwood Festival of the Arts *Rock Lake Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

3rd Place: Kamryn Gerbrandt (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Junior Musical Theatre

1st Place: Stephanie Bell (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Breathe Easy Eco Solutions Scholarship*

2nd Place: Ben McIntyre-Ridd (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Breathe Easy Eco Solutions Scholarship*

3rd Place: Mersadie Thiessen (Mitchell, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival Southeastern Manitoba Festival Scholarship

Intermediate Musical Theatre

1st Place: Alanna McPherson (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Rockwood Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

2nd Place: Camryn Dewar (Stony Mountain, MB) – Rockwood Festival of the Arts *Mercier Family Scholarship*

3rd Place: Dane Leslie (Virden, MB) – Virden Music & Arts Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Advanced Musical Theatre

1st Place: Maria Guenther (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival *Deloraine Border Festival Scholarship*

2nd Place: Max Neustaedter (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival Rock Lake Festival of the Arts Scholarship

Senior Musical Theatre

1st Place: Sarah Luby (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Intermediate Gilbert and Sullivan

1st Place: Alanna McPherson (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship*

Advanced Gilbert and Sullivan

1st Place: Anton Sokalski (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival *Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship*

2nd Place: Charlie Carrier (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Judy Urbonas Scholarship*

Poetry and Prose Grades 4-6

1st Place: Ava Waldner (MacGregor, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival *Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship*

2nd Place: Griffin Carnelley (Carman, MB) – Tempo Festival of the Arts *North Western Marquette Festival Scholarship*

3rd Place: Teagan Harkness (Virden, MB) – Virden Music & Arts Festival *Virden Festival of the Arts Scholarship*

Poetry and Prose Grades 7-9

1st Place: Maya Davis (Fort Frances, ON) – Rainy River District Festival of the Performing Arts *Thorleifson Family Scholarship*

2nd Place: Sara Podobni (Oak Lake, MB) – Virden Music & Arts Festival *Hurton Family Scholarship*

3rd Place: Van Hamilton (Russell, MB) – North Western Marquette Festival *Birdtail River Fine Arts Festival Scholarship*

Poetry and Prose Grades 10-12

1st Place: Daniel Munchinsky (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts *Colin Mailer Memorial Scholarship*

2nd Place: Kristian Nestibo (Goodlands, MB) – Deloraine Border Festival *Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship*

Public Speaking Grades 4-6

1st Place: Austin Smith-Sigvaldason (Manitou, MB) – Pembina Valley Music Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Mae Fulton (Birtle, MB) – Birdtail River Fine Arts Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Public Speaking Grades 7-9

1st Place: Jenna Bailey (Fort Frances, ON) – Rainy River District Festival of the Performing Arts *Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship*

2nd Place: Jessica Ramachandran (Portage la Prairie, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Public Speaking Grades 10-12

1st Place: Arishya Aggarwal (Portage la Prairie, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival *Larry Moore Scholarship*

National Classes

The following have been selected to represent Manitoba at the 2018 National Music Festival, held August 12-16 in Sackville, NB:

National Vocal

Recommended: Erika Rasmussen (Brandon, MB) - Brandon Festival of the Arts

National Piano

Recommended: Albert Chen (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Alternate: Benjamin Funk (Reinfeld, MB) – Winkler Festival of the Arts

National Strings

Recommended: David Liam Roberts (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival Alternate: Tianhao Wang (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Classical Guitar

Recommended: Benjamin William Lamont (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts Alternate: James Graham (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Brass

Recommended: McKenzie Walpole (Brandon, MB) - Winnipeg Music Festival

National Chamber Group

Recommended: ELK Brass Trio - Erik Larson (Brandon, MB), Leslie Hutchinson (Winnipeg, MB) & Kayla Solomon (Winnipeg, MB)

- Brandon Festival of the Arts

National Musical Theatre

Recommended: Sarah Luby (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

The following have been selected to represent Manitoba (via recordings) at the 2018 National Music Festival, held August 12-16 in Sackville, NB:

National Choral Class 102 - George S. Mathieson

Recommended: Pembina Trails Voices - Cantemus - Winnipeg Music Festival

National Choral Class 103 – Paul J. Bourret

Recommended: Maples Collegiate Chamber Choir – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Choral Class 105 - Dr. & Mrs. J.F.K. English

Recommended: Pembina Trails Voices - Chorale - Winnipeg Music Festival

National Choral Class 107 - Margaret Wharton Memorial

Recommended: St. James-Assiniboia Divisional Children's Concert Choir – Winnipeg Music Festival