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2016 Annual General Meeting

Saturday, October 15th, 2016

Trinity Lutheran Church
43 River Ave., Starbuck, MB

- 10:30 am AGM and Workshop registration
- 11:00 am Annual General Meeting
- 12:00 pm Lunch (included in workshop fee)

Workshops

- 1:00 pm The Provincial Festival "Kite" and its paper "tail": the adjudicator, administrative and participant documents.
- 2:00 pm Exploring the Syllabus and Festival Kit while discovering the path to a successful 2016-2017 festival.

- 3:00 pm Round table discussion
- 3:30 pm Wrap up

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2015-2016
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Please make the above changes to your records. Thank you!

2016 ADJUDICATOR TRAINING PROGRAM

This program is offered by Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals (AMAF) to highly qualified and experienced individuals wishing to learn and better prepare to adjudicate at AMAF member festivals throughout Manitoba. Individuals interested in being listed in the AMAF Index of Arts Specialists – which advertises adjudicator services to member festivals – must participate in and successfully complete the Adjudicator Training Program.

Dates & Times: Friday, November 4, 2016, 7 pm to 9 pm
Saturday, November 5, 2016, 9 am to 4 pm

Location (both sessions): AMAF Office, #2-88 St. Anne's Road, Winnipeg

For more information, contact the AMAF office.

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals (AMAF) is pleased to host the 2016 edition of its Adjudicator Development and Training Program.

The Adjudicator Development session, to be held November 4, 2016 in Winnipeg, serves as both a refresher and an interactive period. The Friday evening session is open to both listed adjudicators and to those participating in the Training session the following day.

"I look forward to this meeting every year - and getting to know colleagues" said one 2015 participant. Another noted ***"I learned much and also enjoyed the evening... the attendees added their experiences and made it very relevant"***.

The Adjudicator Training session will be held November 4-5, 2016 in Winnipeg. Once their training requirements are completed, AMAF looks forward to adding these knowledgeable music and arts professionals to its listed adjudicators.

"...Informative, educational, and encouraging."

AMAF thanks the facilitators Nancy Nowosad and Joanne Mercier.



Nancy Nowosad



Joanne Mercier

2016 Provincial Music and Arts Festival Results

May 27-29, 2016

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals (AMAF) congratulates all participants in the 2016 Provincial Music and Arts Festival for their excellent performances. It was amazing to see that 28 out of 29 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.

Preliminary, Junior, Intermediate, Advanced and Senior Classes

Preliminary Vocal

1st Place: Anna Layte (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Abbey Sawatsky (Ninette, MB) – Boissevain Festival of the Arts

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Junior Vocal

1st Place: Anton Sokalski (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Southeastern Manitoba Festival Scholarship

2nd Place: Annie Johnston (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Rolling River Festival of the Arts Scholarship

Intermediate Vocal

1st Place: Josh Bellan (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Mercier Family Scholarship

2nd Place: Maria Guenther (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival

Mercier Family Scholarship

Advanced Vocal

1st Place: Elena Howard-Scott (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Shirley Penner Scholarship

2nd Place: Sarah Sylvester (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts

Shirley Penner Scholarship

Senior Vocal

1st Place: Katherine Mayba (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Manitoba Registered Music Teachers' Association Scholarship

2nd Place: Clint McLaughlan (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts

Prairie Sounds Festival Scholarship

Preliminary Piano

1st Place: Kendra Palles (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

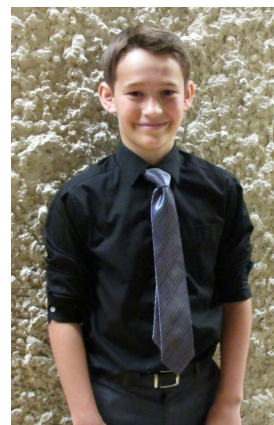
Claire DuBois Scholarship

2nd Place: Seth Cheung (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship

Marcel Alles (Winkler, MB) – Winkler Festival of the Arts

Jean & Lorne Chapple Scholarship for the most outstanding performance of a J.S. Bach work



Anton Sokalski



Maria Guenther

Brandon University looked so big and fancy to me and what I loved was seeing so many boys my age all dressed up competing because I'm the only boy where I'm from who enters the festival for drama, vocal and piano too. The competition was fierce and anybody could have won so when they called my name I was speechless - and that doesn't happen to me very often!! I cannot wait to enter the festival next year and hopefully get selected to participate in provincials again! I'm a very happy, grateful and lucky kid!

Christian Wiedenhoeft (1st Place, Grade 4-6 Poetry and Prose)

It is very rewarding, especially at a grade 8 level of playing, to have all that hard work pay off, I plan to put my scholarship towards my schooling next year as I enter university for music.

Thank you!

Rose Sanders (1st Place, Intermediate Woodwinds)

Thank you so much for the amazing opportunity to perform at the provincial music festival. This year was full of musical opportunities and fantastic because of them. It was such an honor to perform especially because of the song I chose to sing. The song was special because it's from the musical "James and the Giant Peach", and this past winter I had the opportunity to sing the role of James at the MTYP theatre but sadly this song was not in the version that we did, so it meant a lot to get to sing it in festival. Once again I can't thank you enough for your support for the festival and for this awesome opportunity.

Anton Sokalski (2nd Place, Junior Musical Theatre)

I have been singing in the music festival for almost ten years now. It's an annual challenge and excitement - March will always have a special place in my heart for that reason. Thank you for helping this festival - and by extension - this community thrive.

Miranda Baran (2nd Place, Intermediate G&S)



When my teacher told me I was selected to go to Provincials, I felt honored. My class had done a very good job presenting their pieces and when she told me the adjudicator had picked me, I felt proud.. This year was my very first time at Provincials, and it was a very good experience for me. I place 2nd in my category of 14 people. Everyone did a great job on their prose and poetry pieces.

Madison Teichroeb (2nd Place, Grade 4-6 Poetry and Prose)

I really enjoyed performing my grade 10 pieces for the adjudicators and all the other contestants, as well as having the opportunity to hear all the other performances. I was extremely happy when I was awarded first place in the Advanced Canadian Composers class and am very thankful to receive this award. I realize that lots of hard work is what makes this festival run so smoothly and it is greatly appreciated. Thank you again for everything.

James Cowie (1st Place, Advanced Canadian Composers)

My name is Mersadie Thiessen and this year I represented SEMF in Musical Theatre at the Provincial Festival. I love to sing, act and dance and performing in Brandon gave me an opportunity to perform once again. I am honored to have received a scholarship for something I love to do. Thank you so much.

Mersadie Thiessen (1st Place, Preliminary Musical Theatre)

Thank you so much for giving me the opportunity to perform in the Provincial Music and Arts Festival. Participating in the composition workshop and getting to perform in multiple piano and vocal classes has been a wonderful experience and I thank the festival supporters for their generosity. Receiving this composition scholarship is a great honour that I will use to advance my musical education.

Anna Schwartz (Award Winner, Manitoba Composition Competition)



This was the first that I and our festival, the Rainy River District Festival of the Performing Arts have participated at Provincials, and I thought it was an absolutely amazing experience. Coming from a small isolated community, it was incredible to see all the impressive performances by young people in the drama, vocal, piano and instrumental divisions.

Mira Donaldson
(1st Place, Grade 7-9 Public Speaking)

It was such an awesome experience to see all of the young performers like me in one small hall! In Manitoba we have such amazing talent, it's incredible! I have been doing musical theatre since I was 7. I have loved it ever since. As soon as my voice teacher told me that there was a musical theatre class I was sooooo excited. I ended up winning my two classes and now this! This was the first year that my age group could sing in this festival. PLEASE keep it! It's just so much fun! I'm so thankful for everyone who makes this festival possible and very thankful for receiving this award! Hard work pays off!

Capri Derenchuk-Canaden (2nd Place, Preliminary Musical Theatre)

Thank you for this great opportunity to make my music better. I really enjoyed participating in AMAF. Listening to all the performers was an excellent thrill!

Zachary Kynoch (1st Place, Preliminary Canadian Composers)

Thank you for giving me the support to keep moving on. Each year I participate in the festival where I continue learning from other players and adjudicators. I love sharing my music with others, and I am ecstatic to receive this award.

Fan-En Chiang (1st Place, Senior Piano)

My name is Nolan and next fall I will be entering my fifth and final year of undergrad study at the U of Manitoba - where I will have degrees in both music and education. Though I am in a music Ed. Program, over the years I've come to realize my true passion comes from performing classical guitar. This feeling I get when I am on stage is indescribable, and I love sharing music with the audience and the people around me. For young performers and musicians like me, the provincial festival is the culmination from every bit of work we have done throughout the year - it is a wonderful feeling to receive a monetary award and your generosity is so greatly appreciated!

Nolan Powell (1st Place, Senior Guitar)



Junior Piano

1st Place: Rachel Suin Lee (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts
Carberry Music and Arts Festival Scholarship
2nd Place: Beatrice Gatien (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Intermediate Piano

1st Place: Angela Suet Kee Ng (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
Meridian Arts Festival Scholarship
2nd Place: Sarah Janke (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival
Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship
Angela Lin (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
Jean & Lorne Chapple Scholarship
for the most outstanding performance of a J.S. Bach work



Angela Suet Kee Ng

Advanced Piano

1st Place: Joseph Guenther (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship
2nd Place: Ethan Lin (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship
Holly Smith (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival
Jean & Lorne Chapple Scholarship for the most outstanding performance of a J.S. Bach work

Senior Piano

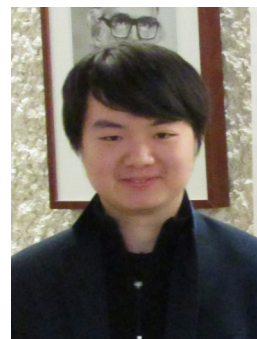
1st Place: Fan-En Chiang (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
James McFee Memorial Scholarship
2nd Place: Shantelle Mayo (Moosejaw, SK) – Brandon Festival of the Arts
Manitoba Registered Music Teachers' Association Scholarship
and Jean & Lorne Chapple Scholarship for the most outstanding performance of a J.S. Bach work

Preliminary Strings

1st Place: Sannelle Engelbrecht (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts
Elizabeth Lupton Scholarship
2nd Place: Thomas Kroeker (Morden, MB) – Morden Festival of the Arts
Elizabeth Lupton Scholarship

Junior Strings

1st Place: Angela Suet Kee Ng (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship
2nd Place: Cadence Penner (Grunthal, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival
Vi Streuber Memorial Scholarship



Fan En Chiang

Intermediate Strings

1st Place: Amy Lloyd (Winkler, MB) – Morden Festival of the Arts
Ernest Jones Scholarship 'in honour of Mary Ann Taylor'
2nd Place: Aaron Sanders (Manitou, MB) – Morden Festival of the Arts
Vi Streuber Memorial Scholarship

Advanced Strings

1st Place: Maria Guenther (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival
Ernest Jones Scholarship 'in honour of Mary Ann Taylor'
2nd Place: Samuel Nadurak (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
Elizabeth Lupton Scholarship

Preliminary Classical Guitar

1st Place: Jordyn Zoske (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship
2nd Place: Nathan Kaethler (Marchand, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival
Winnipeg Music Festival Scholarship

Junior Classical Guitar

1st Place: Stephan Engelbrecht (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts
Winnipeg Music Festival Scholarship

2nd Place: Hannah Elskamp (Sanford, MB) – Meridian Arts Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Intermediate Classical Guitar

1st Place: Ben Lange (La Broquerie, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Hunter Teichrib (Stonewall, MB) – Rockwood Festival of the Arts
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Advanced Classical Guitar

1st Place: Ben Lamont (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Senior Classical Guitar

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

2nd Place: Thomas Manuel (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship

Preliminary Woodwinds

1st Place: Selwyn Neil E. Sarmiento (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

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

Intermediate Woodwinds

1st Place: Rose Sanders (Manitou, MB) – Pembina Valley Music Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Yooseon Jang (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship

Advanced Woodwinds

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

Senior Woodwinds

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

2nd Place: Amanda Forest (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts
Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship

Intermediate Chamber Group

1st Place: Wolseley String Quartet (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival
Morna-June Morrow Scholarship

Preliminary Canadian Composers

1st Place: Zachary Kynoch (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Leah Schroeder (Steinbach, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Kaitlyn Nicholson (Cypress River, MB) – Tiger Hills Festival of the Arts
S.C. Eckhardt Gramatté Scholarship (most outstanding performance of a Manitoba composer's work)



Rose Sanders



Selwyn Neil E. Sarmiento

Junior Canadian Composers

1st Place: Grace Gabrielle Lu (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Camryn Dewar (Stony Mountain, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Katie Blight (Oakville, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival

S.C. Eckhardt Gramatté Scholarship for the most outstanding performance of a Manitoba composer's work

Intermediate Canadian Composers

1st Place: Jazlyn Rohatensky (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Georg Neuhofer (Roblin, MB) – North Western Marquette Festival

Hurton Family Scholarship

Gareth Rice (Portage la Prairie, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival

S.C. Eckhardt Gramatté Scholarship for the most outstanding performance of a Manitoba composer's work

Advanced Canadian Composers

1st Place: James Cowie (Glenboro, MB) – Tiger Hills Festival of the Arts

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Azaria Neuschwander (Gladstone, MB) – Gladstone Music & Arts Festival

Dr. Lorne Watson Memorial Scholarship

Senior Canadian Composers

1st Place: Fan-En Chiang (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Dr. Lorne Watson Memorial Scholarship

2nd Place: Titus Lee (Brandon, MB) – Rolling River Festival of the Arts

Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship

Preliminary Musical Theatre

1st Place: Mersadie Thiessen (Mitchell, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Capri Derenchuk-Ganaden (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Junior Musical Theatre

1st Place: Genavieve Greene (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship

2nd Place: Anton Sokalski (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

3rd Place: Brianna Friesen (Manitou, MB) – Pembina Valley Music Festival

Forman Honda Scholarship

Intermediate Musical Theatre

1st Place: Alyssa Crockett (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Rockwood Festival of the Arts Scholarship

2nd Place: Josh Bellan (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship

Honourable Mention: Rose Sanders (LaRivière, MB) – Pembina Valley Music Festival

Advanced Musical Theatre

1st Place: Tristan Klassen (LaRivière, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival

Deloraine Border Festival Scholarship

Senior Musical Theatre

1st Place: Alyssa Johnson (Winnipeg, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Intermediate Gilbert & Sullivan

1st Place: Peter Dueck (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

2nd Place: Miranda Baran (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Senior Gilbert & Sullivan

1st Place: Elizabeth Whitbread (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship



Mersadie Thiessen

Junior W.A. Mozart

1st Place: Hannah Peters (Virden, MB) – Virden Music & Arts Festival

Raleigh Family Scholarship

2nd Place: Christian Reimer (Blumenort, MB) – Southeastern Manitoba Festival

Raleigh Family Scholarship

Intermediate W.A. Mozart

1st Place: Anika Price (Winnipeg, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Raleigh Family Scholarship

2nd Place: Sarah Crellin (Stonewall, MB) – Winnipeg Music Festival

Raleigh Family Scholarship

Advanced W.A. Mozart

1st Place: Sophie Kim (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts

Raleigh Family Scholarship

2nd Place: Madison Bueckert (MacGregor, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival

Raleigh Family Scholarship

3rd Place: Jing Li (Brandon, MB) – Brandon Festival of the Arts

Raleigh Family Scholarship



**JAMES
DONALD
(BONES)
RALEIGH**



Don, or Bones' as he was known to his friends and the sporting fraternity, was a well known sports personality. He participated in sports all his life, having played hockey, baseball, golf, badminton, tennis and curling. He excelled in hockey, with a 10 year career with the New York Rangers from 1947-1956 including being team captain for two seasons. He also had a short stint with the Rangers in 1943 as a 17 year old. He played in two NHL All-Star games and established several Ranger records including two consecutive overtime winning goals in the 1950 Stanley Cup Finals. Upon leaving hockey, Don entered the insurance field, eventually owning his own agency.

Bones served on a number of Boards including the Manitoba Hockey Foundation, the Misericordia Hospital Foundation, the Lions Club of Winnipeg, the Lions Housing Foundation, the Winnipeg Winter Club and Rainbow Stage. He established bursaries at the University of Brandon, which he attended while playing junior hockey.

He also established the Raleigh Family Mozart Scholarships at the Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals to express his love of Mozart's music.

Many AMAF volunteers and former board members had the pleasure to meet and get to know Don Raleigh as he travelled to Winnipeg and Brandon to attend our Provincial Festival, enjoy the W.A. Mozart classes and present his "Raleigh Family W.A. Mozart" scholarships. He was a delightful man, who held everyone's attention as he shared stories of his youth and NHL days. He told us of his appreciation for the music of W.A. Mozart, and it was the love of this music that prompted Don to establish a fund at the Winnipeg Foundation. The interest from this generous investment provides annual scholarships for our four levels of W.A. Mozart classes. Don was a great supporter of our organization and its work throughout the Province. He will be missed, but not forgotten by AMAF, as his scholarship gifts will continue to be presented in his family name in perpetuity.

Don passed away after a brief illness on Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at the age of 86.

Poetry and Prose Grades 4-6

1st Place: Christian Wiedenhoeft (Fort Frances, ON) – Fort Frances & District Festival of the Performing Arts
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship
2nd Place: Madison Teichroeb (Langruth, MB) – Gladstone Music & Arts Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Poetry and Prose Grades 7-9

1st Place: Olivia Hayward (Virden, MB) – Virden Music and Arts Festival
Thorleifson Family Scholarship
2nd Place: Daria Barbara Hofer (Newton, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival
Hurton Family Scholarship

Poetry and Prose Grades 10-12

1st Place: Gareth Rice (Portage la Prairie, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival
Colin Mailer Memorial Scholarship
2nd Place: Brian Johnson (Hamiota, MB) – Birdtail River Fine Arts Festival
Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship

Public Speaking Grades 4-6

1st Place: Jessica Ramachandran (Portage la Prairie, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship
2nd Place: Georgia Hayward (Virden, MB) – Virden Music & Arts Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Public Speaking Grades 7-9

1st Place: Mira Donaldson (Fort Frances, ON) – Fort Frances & District Festival of the Performing Arts
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship
2nd Place: Emma Miskulin (Rivers, MB) – Rolling River Festival of the Arts
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship

Public Speaking Grades 10-12

1st Place: Jessica Goethals (Deloraine, MB) – Deloraine Border Festival
Associated Manitoba Arts Festivals Scholarship
2nd Place: Tessa Lupkowski (Portage la Prairie, MB) – Prairie Sounds Festival
Lions Club of Winnipeg Scholarship



Daria Barbara Hofer



Jessica Ramachandran

Manitoba Composition Competition

Seven compositions were entered in the competition, with results announced during the Composition workshop held during the 2016 Provincial Music and Arts Festival in Brandon:

Award Winners: Hannah Linsangan (Winnipeg, MB) and Anna Schwartz (Fort Frances, ON)
Honourable Mention: Lauren McIlroy (LaSalle, MB)

Composer Kenneth Nichols offered the following tips on composing music:

- * Study traditional harmony; a lot of music heard today is still based on tertian harmony
- * Study counterpoint; it teaches you how to connect notes smoothly and develops compositional craft
- * Learn to play a little piano if you sing or play a single line instrument; keyboard harmony is the best way to learn and hear chords
- * When you feel ready, jump from the three-chord nest (I, IV, V) and explore other chordal connections (chords from different scales mixed together, or superimposed)
- * Practice writing and singing melodies based on set intervals like a minor third or a fourth; this will get you out of your comfort zone and you will discover some neat sounds you can play with
- * Do some compositional exercises with set limits. For example, write a melody using only five notes, and see how many ways you can arrange them, or write a short piece with only minor thirds, or use an exotic scale
- * By nature, we are all drawn to the major triad, the “chord of nature”. Many contemporary western classical composers pulled away from it to the extent its use became anathema to them. Now it’s back, thankfully, and its use won’t cause global warming.
- * Make a habit of writing regularly. It is a fascinating process to see how one note interacts with another. You will learn a lot about music, and probably a lot about yourself in the process.
- * Don’t be afraid to write melodies; it is a mysterious gift, and not everyone possesses it.

National Classes

The following have been selected to represent Manitoba at the 2016 National Music Festival, to be held August 11-13 , 2016 in Edmonton, Alberta:

National Piano

Recommended: Jammie Lee – Brandon Festival of the Arts
Alternate: Fan-En Chiang – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Strings

Recommended: Tianhao Wang – Winnipeg Music Festival
Alternate: Hannah Humphries – Winnipeg Music Festival

Classical Guitar

Recommended: Nolan Powell – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Woodwinds

Recommended: Matthew Robinson – Winnipeg Music Festival
Alternate: Amanda Forest – Brandon Festival of the Arts

National Brass

Recommended: Kayla Solomon – Brandon Festival of the Arts

National Chamber Group

Recommended: Trio D  z – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Musical Theatre

Recommended: Elizabeth Whitbread – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Choral Class 102 – George S. Mathieson

Recommended: Pembina Trails Voices – Cantemus – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Choral Class 103 – Paul J. Bourret

Recommended: Westwood 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 Jr. Divisional Concert Choir – Winnipeg Music Festival
Alternate: Pembina Trails Voices – Choraliers – Winnipeg Music Festival

Federation of Canadian Music Festivals Mission Statement

"We envision a world that appreciates music.

We provide a step in the journey towards excellence in music performance with educational opportunities for students and teachers.

We strive to develop well-rounded individuals with positive life and performance skills who will give their gifts back to the community, ensuring that the arts will flourish."

Team Manitoba at the 2016 National Music Festival

With assistance from Manitoba Arts Council, AMAF was thrilled to send an exceptional team to the 2016 National Music Festival held August 11-13, 2016 in Edmonton, AB. All events took place at the Alberta College Campus of MacEwan University and McDougall United Church, with the Grand Award Concert held at Muttart Hall in the Alberta College Campus of MacEwan University.

Team Manitoba was represented by the following individuals:

National Piano

Jammie Lee – Brandon Festival of the Arts

National Strings

Tianhao Wang – Winnipeg Music Festival

Classical Guitar

Nolan Powell – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Woodwinds

Matthew Robinson – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Brass

Kayla Solomon – Brandon Festival of the Arts

National Chamber Group

Trio D  z (Scott Butler, Nolan Powell and Liam Stubson) – Winnipeg Music Festival

These young performers are some of the Manitoba festival movement's most outstanding musicians; young emerging artists performing at near-professional calibre. Each participant first qualified from a local festival to AMAF's Provincial Music and Arts Festival where, upon winning his or her National level class, was selected to Team Manitoba. Each participant on Team Manitoba then competed against other outstanding classical musicians from across the country at the National Music Festival.

Manitoba was also represented by the following choirs (via audio recordings):

National Choral Class 102 – George S. Mathieson

Pembina Trails Voices – Cantemus – Winnipeg Music Festival

National Choral Class 103 – Paul J. Bourret

Westwood Collegiate Chamber Choir – Winnipeg Music Festival

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We are pleased to report the following achievements for Manitoba at the 2016 National Music Festival:

National Chamber Group - Trio D  z - 2nd place

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