

**2019 NEW BRUNSWICK PROVINCIAL
MUSIC FESTIVAL FINALS SYLLABUS
May 27 – June 1 in Sackville, NB**

Eligibility

Local festivals may determine who represents them at the Provincial Music Festival Finals in one of two ways:

1. The Local Festival can add the provincial classes to their syllabus and students enter those classes if they are interested in being eligible for the Provincial Music Festival Finals. The local adjudicator would determine which student(s) should represent the festival in each class.
2. The local festival adjudicator could choose a student or students from the appropriate grade and/or age levels for each class, making sure they have appropriate repertoire to meet the requirements of the class they are being recommended for.

A minimum mark of 85 is required at the local festival in order to be recommended to the New Brunswick Provincial Music Festival Finals.

To be eligible to participate in Senior or Choral classes in the New Brunswick Provincial Music Festival Finals, the participants(s) must be residing in New Brunswick or studying in New Brunswick.

A local festival may send **TWO** competitors in each of the Provincial Music Festival Finals classes. Local festivals are encouraged to have their adjudicator name one or more alternate competitors, and complete the necessary paperwork, in case the first choice competitors are unable to attend for any reason.

In disciplines with age requirements, the competitor's age will be determined as of December 31 prior to the Provincial Festival. Local festivals must obtain proof of age, if requested.

Participation is limited to non-professional musicians. A non-professional musician is defined as a person whose principal means of livelihood is not obtained from the performance of music in the particular category in which he or she is competing. This stipulation does not, however, preclude such a person having occasionally received remuneration for musical services rendered, even in the area in which he or she is competing.

Competitors may only be recommended to the Provincial Music Festival Finals from ONE local festival per discipline. Each competitor must accept, or decline, a recommendation from a local festival within 48 hours.

Competitors are eligible to play within the same discipline on different instruments and/or different levels. Competitors may play two recommended instruments within the same entry. For example, competitor A may be recommended as Junior competitor for clarinet, and an Intermediate competitor for flute, or a Junior competitor with both instruments.

An entry fee is non-refundable, unless the entry is declined by the NBFMF. Once an entry has been accepted, no changes to repertoire will be allowed.

Repertoire

The minimum repertoire requirements to be performed at the Provincial Music Festival Finals, as outlined in the Provincial Syllabus, must have been heard by the recommending adjudicator at the Local Festival. This may be in a specifically designated Provincial Class or through a combination of performances in classes at the Local Festival. Senior competitors may add additional movements of their multi-movement works.

A Concerto or Concerted Work is defined as any composition written for solo instrument with orchestral accompaniment.

Sonatinas, Sonatas and Concertos can be from any musical time-period as long as they have been graded, as per syllabus requirements. A one movement Sonatina or Sonata meets the requirements for Junior and Intermediate levels.

A selection is a composition or song cycle that is meant to be one body of work as indicated by the composer. Participants may choose to perform partial or complete works based on syllabus requirements and time restrictions. A second selection cannot be another movement or song from the same work.

Repertoire in the Vocal discipline may not include selections from the Musical Theatre repertoire.

The use of a keyboard to simulate period keyboard instruments, such as a harpsichord, is permitted in Junior and Intermediate Chamber Ensemble classes. The acquiring, delivery and set-up and removal of the keyboard is the responsibility of the participant, teacher and/or family. All copyrights must be observed.

- Junior & Intermediate Competitors must provide original scores of music for the adjudicator.
- Senior competitors must present an original score containing both solo and accompaniment.
- Chamber Ensembles must submit a full score.
- Legally downloaded music is permissible, but it shall be printed double sided and placed in a binder (not in sheet protectors) for the Adjudicator.
- Please indicate the source of the download by including payment receipt or proof of Public Domain.

Competitors playing with a score [Classes 5-8] members of chamber groups must perform from original scores. Failure to do so automatically disqualifies the competitor.

Transposition is permitted, unless otherwise noted, but the performance key must be indicated on the submitted score.

The accompanist must have an original score on the piano. Accompanists are permitted to use digital scores on tablet computers such as iPads, provided they can clearly show upon registration that copyright laws have been observed.

These scores are separate from the originals which must also be presented to the adjudicators.

In disciplines with graded repertoire requirements, competitors must indicate on their entry form the syllabus from which they determined the level of difficulty of their repertoire. Syllabi accepted as references for the Provincial Music Festival are the Royal Conservatory of Music [RCM], Conservatory Canada [CC], Vincent D'Indy [VD] and l'École préparatoire de musique de l'Université de Moncton [ÉPUM]. Pieces from any of these four syllabi are accepted when listed by

full title, and Opus number, where applicable. Due to the inherent differences in grading systems, the equivalent grades accepted for each level are listed in each discipline.

In order to encourage the use of new music and preserve objectivity, we will also accept letters of grading from the Royal Conservatory of Music or l'École préparatoire de musique de l'Université de Moncton for pieces not listed in any of the above sources. For details on how to proceed with this option, please see the RCM website (www.rcmexaminations.org) or contact Richard Boulanger (richard.boulanger@umoncton.ca).

Memorization of pieces is required in all levels of competition in all classes except Classes 5-8 [Woodwinds, Brass, Percussion and Chamber Ensembles. Failure to play from memory in required classes will result in disqualification.

Time limits for classes listed in the syllabus must be adhered to. Timing shall be from first note to last note, including pauses between pieces and costume changes. Performances exceeding the time limit will be disqualified. Over- time performances will not be interrupted, and official timekeepers will provide no warnings or signals.

Competitors disqualified from the competition for any reason including, but not limited to playing with music, use of photocopied music or being over time will:

1. Be disqualified from award placement, even if the lone competitor in a class.
2. Be disqualified from receipt of award monies.
3. Be disqualified from advancing to the National Music Festival in the current year.
4. Receive their adjudication comments and Participation Certificate.
5. Be required to attend the adjudication workshop and announcement session.

All competitors must attend their adjudication workshops and announcement sessions. Failure to do so will automatically disqualify the competitor from:

1. Receiving a written adjudication
2. Receiving an award placement
3. Receiving award monies
4. Proceeding to the current National Music Festival
5. Future participation in the Provincial competition for a period of one year in the discipline in which they were disqualified. Participation in other disciplines will be permitted.

National Music Festival

Competitors must enter a Provincial Senior Class to be eligible for The National Music Festival. Please refer the 2019 syllabus of The Federation of Canadian Music Festivals for more complete rules governing these classes. It is available at www.fcmf.org.

Competitors recommended from the NB Provincial Music Festival Finals to the National Music Festival will have 48 hours to accept or decline the recommendation.

Competitors in Senior and Choral Classes must be residing or studying in New Brunswick.

Photography & Videography

Photography & Videography are permitted from the designated area of the hall. No flash photography is permitted. Audience members may only photograph or video performances with the competitor's permission. Adjudicator workshops may not be recorded.

CLASS 1100 - VOCAL SOLO

Note: Repertoire in the Vocal discipline may not include selections from the Musical Theatre repertoire

#1101 Junior

14 years of age and under

Maximum time - 10 minutes

Memorization is compulsory

Two selections of contrasting styles (selections can be complete works - song cycle or set)

Performance in different languages is recommended

#1102 Intermediate

18 years of age and under

Maximum time - 15 minutes

Memorization is compulsory

Two selections of contrasting styles (selections can be complete works - song cycle or set)

Performance **MUST** be in different languages

#1103 Senior

28 years of age and under

Maximum time - 40 minutes

Memorization is compulsory

2 or more languages to be used

Three selections consisting of:

1. One selection from an Opera, with recitative where applicable, from advanced repertoire, original key, original language
2. One Aria from a major sacred work, with recitative where applicable, from advanced repertoire, original key, original language
3. Multi-movement/song cycle art song from advanced repertoire – at least three movements of the selection to be performed at the National Festival, or a complete song cycle if less than four movements.

* Repertoire for National Festival may include only one song cycle.

* Please note: Competitors must be recommended to provincials from their local festival with:
One selection from an Opera, with recitative where applicable, from advanced repertoire, original key, original language
Senior Sacred Aria (aria from an oratorio, a work of J.S. Bach, or other major sacred work), with recitative where applicable, from advanced repertoire, original key, original language;
AND at least one movement of a multi-movement / song cycle

Please note: *For the multi-movement/song cycle art song requirement, a group of songs by the same composer or from an existing song cycle by a composer is acceptable.

CLASS 1200 - PIANO SOLO

#1201 Junior

18 years of age and under

Level of difficulty RCM / CC Grades 5 –7; VD / ÉPUM Grades 3-5

Maximum time - 10 minutes

Memorization is compulsory

Two selections:

1. One movement of a sonatina or sonata
2. One other piece of contrasting style

#1202 Intermediate

18 years of age and under

Level of difficulty RCM / CC Grades 8-10; VD / ÉPUM Grades 6-8

Maximum time - 15 minutes

Memorization is compulsory

Two selections:

1. One movement of a sonatina or sonata
2. One other piece of contrasting style

#1203 Senior

28 years of age and under

Maximum time - 40 minutes

Memorization is compulsory

Two selections:

1. At least two consecutive movements of an advanced sonata or concerto, or a complete concerted work
2. One own choice selection from advanced repertoire (may not be another Concerto or another movement of the above)

CLASS 1300 - STRING SOLO

Contestants are requested to state which instrument they will play. Guitar performers must enter Class 1400.

#1301 Junior

18 years of age and under
Level of difficulty RCM / CC Grades 5-7; VD Grades 3-5
Maximum time - 10 minutes
Memorization is compulsory
Two selections of contrasting styles

#1302 Intermediate

18 years of age and under
Level of difficulty RCM / CC Grades 8-10; Violin: VD Grades 6-7; Cello: VD Grades 4-6
Maximum time - 15 minutes
Memorization is compulsory
Two selections:
1. One movement of a sonata or concerto, or a recognized concerted work
2. One other piece of contrasting style

#1303 Senior

28 years of age and under
Maximum time - 40 minutes
Memorization is compulsory
Two selections:
1. At least two consecutive movements of an advanced concerto, or a complete concerted work
2. One own choice selection from advanced repertoire (may not be another Concerto or another movement of the above).

CLASS 1400 - CLASSICAL GUITAR SOLO

#1401 Junior

14 years of age and under
Maximum time - 10 minutes
Memorization is compulsory
When appropriate, piano accompaniment is permissible
Two selections of contrasting styles

#1402 Intermediate

18 years of age and under
Maximum time - 15 minutes
Memorization is compulsory
When appropriate, piano accompaniment is permissible
Two selections of contrasting style, one of which may be a multi-movement work

#1403 Senior

28 years of age and under
Maximum time - 40 minutes
Memorization is compulsory
When appropriate, piano accompaniment is permissible
Two selections:
1. One own choice selection of an advanced work, that may be a multi-movement work, or at least two consecutive movements of a concerto.
2. One own choice selection from advanced repertoire, (may not be another Concerto or another movement of the above).

CLASS 1500 - WOODWIND SOLO

Competitors are requested to state which instrument they will play.
Memorization is encouraged but not compulsory

#1501 Junior

14 years of age and under
Maximum time – 10 minutes
Two selections of contrasting styles

#1502 Intermediate

18 years of age and under
Maximum time - 15 minutes
Two selections of contrasting styles

#1503 Senior

28 years of age and under
Maximum time - 40 minutes
Two selections:

1. At least two consecutive movements of an advanced Concerto, or a complete Concerted Work
2. One own choice selection from advanced repertoire (may not be another Concerto or another movement of the above).

CLASS 1600 - BRASS SOLO

Competitors are requested to state which instrument they will play.
Memorization is encouraged but not compulsory

#1601 Junior

14 years of age and under
Maximum time - 10 minutes
Two selections of contrasting styles

#1602 Intermediate

18 years of age and under
Maximum time - 15 minutes
Two selections of contrasting styles

#1603 Senior

28 years of age and under
Maximum time - 40 minutes
Two selections:

1. At least two consecutive movements of an advanced Concerto, or a complete Concerted Work.
2. One own choice selection from advanced repertoire (may not be another Concerto or another movement of the above).

CLASS 1700 – PERCUSSION SOLO

Competitors must state which instrument(s) will be played.

Please note that a minimum kit will be provided at the Provincial Music Festival. This kit will include:

4 Timpani [Yamaha 23" 26" 29" 32"]	2 Glockenspiels, Set of Crotales
Set of Chimes/Tubular Bells	Xylophone
Vibraphone [3 1/2 octave]	Marimba [4 and 5 octave]
Drums [Concert Snare, pic snare, concert bass, 4 concert Toms x2]	
Field/Tenor, pair of Congas, pair of Bongos	
Drum set including 1 Snare, Bass, 3 Toms]	
Selection of crash and suspended cymbals and stands.	
Various Latin and traditional percussion accessory instruments and stands.	

Use of other percussion instruments is permissible, but competitors would be responsible for procuring the instruments, and any costs involved.

Memorization is encouraged but not compulsory

#1701 Junior

14 years of age and under

Maximum time – 10 minutes

Where appropriate, piano accompaniment is permissible.

Two selections:

1. Own choice Snare drum piece
2. Own choice Keyboard piece requiring mallets - xylophone, vibraphone or marimba

#1702 Intermediate

18 years of age and under

Maximum time – 15 minutes

Where appropriate, piano accompaniment is permissible.

Two selections:

1. Own choice Snare drum piece **OR** own choice Timpani (4) piece with piano accompaniment if needed
2. Own choice Keyboard piece requiring mallets – xylophone, vibraphone or marimba

#1703 Senior

28 years of age and under

Maximum time - 60 minutes

Where appropriate, piano accompaniment is permissible.

Competitors must perform **three selections**, works must include:

1. One work for Keyboard Percussion from advanced repertoire (eg. marimba, vibraphone, xylophone).
2. One work for Timpani or Multi-percussion or Snare Drum from advanced repertoire.
3. One own choice from advanced repertoire.

**** Please note that the percussion competition at the National Music Festival is a taped video competition. Senior performances at the Provincial Music Festival Finals will be recorded, therefore the repertoire requirements and time limit reflect the national requirements.**

At the 2019 National Music Festival, Percussion will be a live competition in Saskatoon, SK August 6-10, if there are three or more entries.

CLASS 1800 - CHAMBER GROUP

Three to a maximum of six performers, each having their own part. When piano is included, the piano part must be original and not an orchestral reduction. Instrumentation and amplification may be used only as indicated in the original score.

The use of a keyboard to simulate period keyboard instruments, such as a harpsichord, is permitted in Junior and Intermediate Chamber Ensemble classes. The acquiring, delivery and set-up and removal of the keyboard is the responsibility of the participant, teacher and/or family.

Participants may compete in more than one chamber ensemble provided that at least 50% of the members of the ensemble are different or are playing different instruments.

Contestants are requested to state their voice category or instrument.

#1801 Junior

14 years of age and under
Maximum time - 10 minutes
Two selections of contrasting styles

#1802 Intermediate

18 years of age and under
Maximum time - 15 minutes
Two selections of contrasting styles

#1803 Senior

28 years of age and under
Maximum time - 40 minutes
Two selections:
1. At least two consecutive movements of an own choice advanced selection performed at local festival.
2. One other own choice selection from advanced repertoire (may not be another movement of the above).

MUSICAL THEATRE REGULATIONS

Accompaniment shall be restricted to one piano, which shall be provided at the competition. The piano must be respected as an instrument and may not be used as a prop and/or table. Competitors may place one hand on the piano. Similarly, the pianist is an accompanist and not a stage character.

Repertoire

- The term "Up-Tempo" is used to describe music with a lively tempo, often comedy, eg. - One Hundred Easy Ways (from Wonderful Town).
- The term "Ballad" is used to describe music with a slower tempo, often of a serious or introspective nature, eg. - On My Own (from Les Miserables).
- Selections must be made from a Musical Theatre stage production.
- Selections are not to include operetta/light opera (eg: Romberg, Johann Strauss, Lehar, Offenbach, etc.).
- Selections NOT permitted at any level include:
 - Selections from cabaret/revues (eg. "Taylor, the Latte Boy", "Alto's Lament", "The Girl in 14G", "Darryl is a Boy", etc.)
 - Selections from Operetta (eg. Gilbert & Sullivan, Hebert)
 - Selections that are primarily patter (eg. "Over the Moon" from Rent, "Rock Island" from the Music Man, "My Shot from Hamilton")
- Selections from animated film musicals and movie musicals are also permitted at the **Junior** level only.
- All selections should be age appropriate.
- Spoken passages are allowed only if published in the script/score provided.

Thought must be given to the Festival's focus on youth, venues and donors, when selecting the pieces to be performed. **It is expected that selections will not include profanity, vulgar or offensive language.** If the original piece contains such, the performer must alter the lyrics, identifying the change in the score.

Scores

- All selections are to be sung from a published score, in the published key, of a staged musical.
- The original copy can be the Broadway score, from an Anthology, or purchased online. Proof of purchase must be shown for all online purchases.

Props

- A table, chair, and coat rack will be provided.
- Stage technicians may assist competitors with stage set-up and takedown.
- For **Junior and Intermediate Competitors**, costumes and inanimate props are permitted (one to three props per selection). A list of props must be submitted on the competitor's provincial entry form.
- **Senior Competitors** may use costumes and one [1] hand prop per selection.
- For reasons of safety and logistics, full stage choreography will not be possible. Limited movement is permitted.
- Time required for costume changes and set-up and takedown of props will be considered to be part of the competitor's total time allotment.

CLASS 1900 – MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO

#1901 JUNIOR

14 years of age and under

Maximum time - 15 minutes

Memorization is compulsory

Two contrasting selections from Music Theatre stage productions. A variety of vocal techniques appropriate for musical theatre may be utilized.

#1902 INTERMEDIATE

18 years of age and under

Maximum time - 20 minutes

Memorization is compulsory

1. One selection must be a Musical Theatre Ballad.
2. One selection must be a Musical Theatre Up-tempo.

#1903 SENIOR

28 years of age and under

Maximum time - 40 minutes

Memorization is compulsory

Three selections consisting of:

1. One selection must be a Musical Theatre Ballad
2. One selection must be a Musical Theatre Up-tempo
3. One selection from the Musical Theatre Repertoire*

*At the National Music Festival, five contrasting pieces in different tempi and from different eras are to be performed. At least two selections must have been performed before 1964. One selection by Sondheim is recommended.

COMPOSITION CLASS REGULATIONS

The New Brunswick Provincial Music Festival Finals provides competition opportunity for the following types of composition:

Solo/Duo – for one or two instrument[s] or voice[s]. An accompaniment is permitted. Please indicate instrument[s] on your score.

Ensemble – any combination of three or more instruments and/or voices, including orchestral and choral scores. Please indicate instruments/voices on your score.

Participation is limited to previously unpublished works by non-professional composers.

This is a taped competition. Competitors are not required to attend the Provincial Finals. Each entry will consist of a printed score [PDF] and a digital recording [live or midi] of the composition [MP3 or MP4], submitted electronically. The performance does not have to be by the composer.

Each entry is assumed to be the original work of the individual whose name appears on the entry form attached to the manuscript. Any infraction of this regulation would result in the disqualification of the entry.

All rights to his/her original work will be retained by the competitor; however, by entering the competition you agree that your composition may be published, recorded and available to be downloaded for public use from the NBFMF and FCMF web-sites, or employed by the NBFMF and FCMF for publicity purposes after consultation with and agreement of the competitor.

Manuscripts printed by computers are encouraged. Handwritten manuscripts should be neat and legibly written in black ink, in regulation manuscript size, including all necessary details of dynamics, editing and tempo, with the first measure of each line numbered. Please retain the original copy of your submitted work.

All compositions must include a Title Page, including the name of the selection and instrumentation. Senior entries must include a short section of programme notes or notes to the performer.

CLASS 2100 – SOLO/DUO COMPOSITION

#2101 Junior Solo/Duo Composition

14 years of age and under

A composition for one or two instrument[s] or voice[s].

An accompaniment is permitted.

Please indicate instrument[s] on your score.

#2102 Intermediate Solo/Duo Composition

18 years of age and under

A composition for one or two instrument[s] or voice[s].

An accompaniment is permitted.

Please indicate instrument[s] on your score

#2103 Senior Solo/Duo Composition

28 years of age and under

A composition for one or two instrument[s] or voice[s].

An accompaniment is permitted.

Please indicate instrument[s] on your score.

CLASS 2200 – ENSEMBLE COMPOSITION

#2201 Junior Ensemble Composition

14 years of age and under

A composition for any combination of three or more instruments and/or voices, including orchestral and choral scores.

Please indicate instruments/voices on your score.

#2202 Intermediate Ensemble Composition

18 years of age and under

A composition for any combination of three or more instruments and/or voices, including orchestral and choral scores.

Please indicate instruments/voices on your score.

#2203 Senior Ensemble Composition

28 years of age and under

A composition for any combination of three or more instruments and/or voices, including orchestral and choral scores.

Please indicate instruments/voices on your score.

CANADIAN COMPOSER CLASS REGULATIONS

The Canadian Composer class at the New Brunswick Provincial Music Festival Finals is a cross-discipline class that is open to solo performers in voice, piano, strings, classical guitar, woodwinds, brass and percussion. Students of various instruments will compete in the same class. For the purposes of this syllabus, a Canadian Composer is defined as being a citizen, landed immigrant or permanent resident of Canada.

The age and level of repertoire required for this class are the same as required elsewhere in this syllabus.

Voice, guitar, woodwind, brass, and percussion competitors:

- Junior – 14 years of age and under
- Intermediate – 18 years of age and under
- Senior – 28 years of age and under

Piano and string competitors:

- Junior - 18 years of age and under; Level of difficulty RCM / CC Grades 5 –7;
VD / ÉPUM Grades 3-5
- Intermediate – 18 years of age and under; Level of difficulty RCM / CC Grades 8-10;
VD / ÉPUM Grades 6-8
- Senior – 28 years of age and under; Level of difficulty – Senior concert works

Competitors are requested to indicate their instrument or voice type.

CLASS 2300 - CANADIAN COMPOSER

#2301 Junior

- Maximum time - 10 minutes
- Memorization is compulsory
- Two selections of contrasting style

#2302 Intermediate

- Maximum time - 15 minutes
- Memorization is compulsory
- Two selections of contrasting style

#2303 Senior

- 28 years of age and under
- Maximum time - 15 minutes
- Memorization is compulsory
- Two selections of contrasting style

CANADIAN COMPOSER CHORAL CLASSES

This is a taped competition. Attendance at the Provincial Music Festival is not required. Please see the Provincial/National Choir Class regulations below for details of submission.

All pieces performed must be written, or arranged, by a Canadian. For the purposes of this syllabus, a Canadian Composer is defined as being a citizen, landed immigrant or permanent resident of Canada. The two contrasting selections may be by the same or different composers.

- #2305 Elementary School Choir**
Two contrasting selections

- #2306 Middle / High School Choir**
Two contrasting selections

- #2307 Youth Community Choir**
Two contrasting selections

- #2308 Adult Community Choir**
Two contrasting selections

** Please note: The Canadian Composer Choral Classes are not offered at the National Music Festival.

PROVINCIAL / NATIONAL CHORAL REGULATIONS

Note: Choirs submitting recordings to the Provincial level of competition must perform the same selections on which they were recommended by the adjudicator at the Local level. Please note that the definition of the term 'selection' is "one piece of music by a composer, and not two or more short pieces from a collection, cycle or larger work".

1. Participation is limited to amateur Canadian choirs, performing in the appropriate class(es) at affiliated festivals.
2. A choir may enter only one choral class at the National level.
3. A Festival official must supervise and witness the recording of the performance of choirs recommended for Provincial/National competitions.
4. Only MP3 recordings, are acceptable formats for the submission of choral entries. If a recording must be submitted for adjudication at the Provincial Level, the same one must be submitted to the National Level.
5. Recordings must be done by May 8 with the same choir, conductor, accompanist, and accompaniment as in the original performance. The recording must be the first take.
6. No acoustic or electronic compensation, filtering, or other enhancement is to be used while or post recording.
7. Recordings and music scores should contain no reference to the name of the choir, its conductor or the Festival from which it has been sent.
8. Recorded Choral entries must be submitted as follows:
 - MP3 format of recordings are to be uploaded during the on-line registration process.
 - A clear, scanned copy of the score (including a picture of the cover) must also be uploaded.
 - A short biography of the choir, waiver, and media contacts are to be uploaded during the on-line registration process.
 - All materials must be received by entry deadline.
9. All copyrights regarding music must be observed.
10. An entry fee of \$125.00 per choir is required at the National level.

The competition is conducted at three progressive levels:

Local Festival - Adjudicators at the Local Festival may choose, in each of the Choral categories, choirs that are felt to be of National standard. If there is not a live choral Festival at the Provincial Level, the written recommendation along with recordings and a digital copy of the music scores must be submitted to the Provincial Administrator.

Provincial Festival - Adjudicators at the Provincial Festival may choose, in each category submitted, one choir that is felt to be of a National standard. The written recommendation along with the recording [MP 3 or MP4 file] and a digital copy of the music scores as outlined above must be submitted within two weeks of the close of the Provincial Festival and not later than July 1st.

National Festival - Recordings are adjudicated and the winners are notified.

PROVINCIAL / NATIONAL CHORAL CLASSES

The National Music Festival provides opportunities for the following types of choral groups:

Ensemble - limited to 6 to 12 singers.

School choirs - must have a minimum of 13 singers all from one school.

Community choirs - must have a minimum of 13 singers and are not school choirs.

Male voice choirs - may be school or community and may be unchanged or changed voices, or a combination of them.

These rules apply to all classes:

- a. Only selections performed, adjudicated and recommended from Local and Provincial Festivals are acceptable.
- b. The competition is based on the performance of TWO CONTRASTING SELECTIONS, only one of which may include brief solo or solo ensemble passages.
- c. The total number of bars of the solo or solo ensemble passage(s) must not exceed 10% of the total length of the selection. Please note that the definition of the term 'selection' is "one piece of music by a composer, and not two or more short pieces from a collection, cycle or larger work".
- d. In classes limited by an upper age, 5% of the members may exceed the age limit by not more than two years.
- e. Ages are determined as of December 31 preceding the Festival.

Each of the four types of choirs listed above may be limited by age, gender, or other restrictions.

ENSEMBLE:

1. Class 3104

- a. Must be an ensemble
- b. At least one selection must be in three or more parts

SCHOOL CHOIR:

The members of a school choir must all be from the same school.
Only one folk song is permitted.

1. Class 3103

- a. Singers must be 19 years of age and under
- b. At least one selection must be sung in three or more parts

2. Class 3106

- a. Singers must be 16 years of age and under
- b. At least one selection must be sung in two or more parts

3. Class 3108

- a. Singers must be 12 years of age and under
- b. At least one selection must be sung in two or more parts

COMMUNITY CHOIR:

A minimum of 13 singers is required.

Only one folk song is permitted.

1. Class 3100

- a. The majority of members must be 19 years of age or over
- b. At least one selection must be sung in 3 or more parts

2. Class 3102

- a. Singers must be 19 years of age and under
- b. At least one selection must be sung in three or more parts

3. Class 3105

- a. Singers must be 16 years of age and under
- b. At least one selection must be sung in three or more parts

4. Class 3107

- a. Singers must be 12 years of age and under
- b. At least one selection must be sung in two or more parts

5. Class 3109

- a. Singers must be 25 years of age and under
- b. At least one selection must be sung in three or more parts

MALE CHOIR:**1. Class 3101**

- a. Restricted to male singers
- b. No age limitation
- c. At least one selection must be sung in three or more parts