#### Photos/Videos

In consideration of the privacy of others, AMFA requests that you do not record the performances of any child except your own. AMFA also requests the same consideration be given to our adjudicators and ask that you refrain from recording any adjudications.

### Still need answers?

Very often your local contact person will be able to provide answers. Contact them first. (All local contact information is listed on the Alberta Music Festival Association website.)

www.albertamusicfestival.org

If they do not have the answer... contact the Provincial Administrator

### Alberta Music Festival Association

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## Some Common Concerns!

### I forgot my music/speech book! What happens?

- Come to the Festival Office
- Without a legal edition you cannot place in a class. You will be able to perform, but for adjudication only.

### How many copies of music do I need to bring?

• 1 full legal edition of the score with all parts for the adjudicator.

# What happens if my selections take longer to perform than the time limit for my class?

The time limits are in the syllabus. If your performance is longer than the time limit, you will receive adjudication only - no mark and no placement in the class.

# <u>May I use music to perform, or do I have to memorize my pieces?</u>

All solo/duet selections performed at the Provincial Festival must be memorized. EXCEPTIONS: Music Composition, Creative Story Telling (in Speech), String and Keyboard Sonata Class (Class 320 only) Chamber and sung Choral.

### What Can I Perform at Provincials?

All competitors will perform 2 selections in all classes except for: Musical Theatre, Composition, Piano Concertos, Contemporary Vocals, String and Keyboard Sonata Class and Piano Duet classes. These classes require 1 selection. All selections performed at the Provincial Festival must have been adjudicated at your Local Festival.

# <u>Do I have to perform my selections in the order</u> they are in the program?

NO. You can perform your selections in any order. When you announce your selections just announce them in the order you wish to perform.

### Can I practice in the Performance Room?

**NO!!** If you or your accompanist use rooms scheduled for performances, you will be disqualified.



So---

You've been recommended to the Provincial Music Festival!!

## Congratulations!!!

Here are some things you might want to know ahead of time.

The information here, while accurate, is informal. You or your teacher should be familiar with the rules in the 2025 Syllabus.

The Syllabus, with the rules is available online at <a href="http://www.albertamusicfestival.org">http://www.albertamusicfestival.org</a>

### When is the Provincial Festival?

- 1. Solo/Chamber Festival Monday, May 26 – Thurs. May 29, 2025
- 2. Live Choral Festival Thursday, May 2 – Sat. May 24, 2025
- 3. Recorded Choral/Choral Speech Deadline for entries: May 8, 2025

### Where is Provincials held?

- Solo/Chamber classes will be held at Allard Hall, MacEwan University Campus (11110 104<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW Edmonton).
- Live Choral Classes will be held at All Saints Anglican Cathedral (10035 103 St. NW Edmonton)

When do I find out where and when I perform? A Festival-At-A-Glance should have been given to you by your local festival along with this brochure. The Festival At-A-Glance schedule is also available on the AMFA website.

Each competitor will be emailed a letter with the date and time of their performance.

When do I need to arrive and how long do I need to stay? It is important for you to be ready to perform at the start of your session. Music or speech selections must be given to the adjudicator's secretary (in the performance room) at the beginning of your section. Please arrive about 15 minutes before your performance and stay until the end of your session.

Your class may be divided into more than one section. We encourage you to attend all sections of your class. All standings will be announced at the end of the last section.

### What if I can't stay for all sections of my class?

Adjudication sheets and certificates are presented only when the whole class is finished. If there are more than 1 section of the class, certificates and adjudication sheets are handed out after the last section is finished. The adjudicator will adjudicate at the end of each section.

It is preferable for the competitor to stay and receive their adjudication sheet/certificate after the last section but if you are in one of the first sections and **cannot stay for both sections**, you should:

- a. **pick up your music** at the end of your section
- b. Go to the main information desk on the first floor and address an envelope. Your certificate and adjudication sheet will be put in the envelope after the last section and mailed to you.

**Are warm up rooms available?** These are **warm-up rooms** only – not practice rooms. Warm-up rooms are booked for 10 minutes max. Space is limited. **AMFA cannot supply longer practice times.** If you desire a longer practice time, it is your responsibility to make separate arrangements.

### How do I book a 10 minute Warm-Up room?

Go to the bank of practice rooms on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Allard Hall. At the door, there will be an AMFA volunteer to book your practice for that session.

## I Placed First in my Class. What do I do?

Go to the Festival Information Desk on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor and write a thank you note to the donors of your scholarship and plaque. Once you have written the thank you card, you will receive your scholarship cheque.

### What should I wear?

What you wear should be appropriate to the circumstances.

- 1. Solo classes not requiring a costume Concert Dress or Business Casual.
- 2. Musical Theatre / Speech Classes
  - Competitors should wear an appropriate costume or a suggestion of a costume.

### Is there a place to stay?

There are many hotels available in downtown Edmonton. The **Chateau Lacombe** (780-428-6611) offers special rates for festival families. There are some rooms set aside for competitors & family but these must be booked before **April 28, 2025**. There are also a variety of hotels with various prices nearby. You can also book into MacEwan University Residence.

### Is there a place for groups to stay?

**MacEwan University Residence** has special rates for the Provincial Festival. For reservation:

780-633-3623 | Stay@MacEwan.ca

### Where Do I Park?

- There is a paid parking lot behind Allard Hall. To pay to park in this lot, you will need to download the HONK app.
- You can also park underneath Allard Hall but it is an all-day price. If you want to come and go, you will pay everytime.
- There is also a parkade just NE of Allard Hall. You do not need the HONK app to park here.

### Is there a cost to watch the festival?

- Adults \$5.00 per day
- Students are free.
- Printed Programs \$5.00 each