



MAY 2019

MANITOBA MUSIC EDUCATORS' ASSOCIATION
L'ASSOCIATION MANITOBAINE DES ÉDUCATEURS DE
MUSIQUE

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

VIRGINIA HELMER

Hello all,

I hope that each and every one of you are enjoying the spring weather and the celebrations of music that go along with it in our schools and beyond. The MMEA and other arts organizations across the province continue to work to raise awareness of the benefits of a strong music education.

May is Music Month! We kick off with Music Monday celebrations at the Forks and in individual schools across the province with performances of the Music Monday anthem "Hymn to Freedom" by Oscar Peterson. As an unofficial anthem of the Civil Rights Movement, it is wonderful to be able to share this classical Canadian composition with a new generation of young people struggling with their own civil rights issues.

Celebrations will continue with noon hour concerts at the Manitoba Legislature on the next four Thursdays, featuring almost 700 students from 20 schools. We are very lucky here in Manitoba to have the support of Manitoba Education and Training in presenting these concerts at our seat of government, helping us to demonstrate the many musical accomplishments of our students and the hard work of dedicated teachers. I would like to thank Leanne Jensen and Chantal Courcelles-Chabot, our Music Month coordinators, for all of their efforts in making this possible. The roster of participants is listed below.

Highlighting music education in our province couldn't come at a better time, as we are in the midst of a comprehensive review of education in Manitoba. There are many opportunities for you to make your voices heard, and I would encourage everyone to fill out a survey, submit a brief of an "exemplary practice" or attend a public forum in your area. Both MMEA and AMAM will be making substantial submissions before the May 30 deadline. Here is the link to the MET website where all information concerning the review can be found.

<https://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/educationreview/docs/news-release-apr12.pdf>

Finally, have faith that all you do is important and valued. In the home stretch to the end of the school year, please take the time to acknowledge your many successes and enjoy the fruits of your labours.

Have a wonderful summer!

Virginia Helmer
MMEA President

Music Month 2019						
Ensemble Name	School Name	Teacher	Type	School Div.	Grade	# of students
May 9th (en francais)						
Harmonie 7&8	Precieux-Sang	Kristjanna Oleson	Harmonie	DSFM	7 & 8	60
École Dieppe Choir	École Dieppe	Bert Johnson	Choir	Pembina Trails	3 & 4	25
ESMSukulélé	École St. Malo School	Shane Yeske	Ukulélés	Red River Valley School Division	3e/4e	20
Chorale Riel	Collège Louis-Riel	Guy Michaud	chorale	DSFM	9-12	12
Ensemble de jazz Centre scolaire Léo-Rémillard	Centre scolaire Léo-Rémillard	Nathanaël Wsiaki	ensemble de jazz	DSFM	9-12	20
						137
May 16th						
Viper Voices	Salisbury Morse Place School	Ms. Elizabeth Neufeld	Choir/Orff group	River-East Transcona School Division	3-5	40
Dalhousie Gr. 4-6 Choir	Dalhousie School	Jenna Fraser	Choir	Pembina Trails		30
NPC Senior Choir	Northlands Parkway Collegiate	Karen Giesbrecht	Concert Choir	GVSD #26	11 & 12	25
Churchill Junior Choir	College Churchill/Churchill High School	Chris Rempel	Choir	Winnipeg School Division	7-9	25
VOX	Northlands Parkway Collegiate	Karen Giesbrecht	Vocal Jazz (Accapella)	GVSD #26	10-12	10
						130
May 23rd						
Heritage School Intermediate Choir	Heritage Elementary School	Heather Neufeld	Choir	St. James-Assinboia	3 - 5	40
Manitou Elementary Glee Club	Manitou Elementary School	Meghann Turner	choir	Prairie Spirit School Division	3-6	36
GP Advanced Choir	Grant Park High School	Karis Wiebe	High School Choral	Winnipeg School Division	9-12	36
Shamrock Singers	Shamrock School	Karen Tole-Henderson	Choir	Louis Riel School Division	3&4	35
CSNC Concert Choir	Collège St. Norbert Collegiate	Bev Betz	Choir	Seine River School Division	9-12	85
						232
May 30th						
Springs Little Singers	Springs Christian Academy	Lisa Watts	Choir and Recorder	Independent	1-6	42
Junior Honour Choir	Linden Christian School	Janna Banman	Choir	independent	7 & 8	24
Clifton School	Clifton School	Joan Hanton	Choir	Winnipeg School Division	4-6	75
WMEMS Singers	Winnipeg Mennonite Elementary and Middle School	Carissa Boschmann	Choir	WMEMS	5-8	25
River Heights Singers	École River Heights School	Justin Odwak	Choir	Winnipeg School Division	7	19
						185
					total performers	684

Calendar of Events and Activities

MBA events - <https://www.mbband.org/calendar>

MOC events – www.manitobaorff.org

MCGA events - <http://www.manitobaguitar.ca>

MCA events - <http://www.manitobasings.org>

Concerts and Other events – check each events website for updated information.

Date	Event	Location	Sponsor
2019			
May 1	Children's Day – French (Winnipeg)		MOC
May 5-12	Canadian Band Association – National Youth Band in Manitoba		MBA
May 6	Music Monday		
May 9	Music Month performance at the Manitoba Legislature (en français)		MMEA
May 9-11	Manitoba Jr and Int. Honour Band		MBA
May 16	Music Month performance at the Manitoba Legislature		MMEA
May 16	Stay n' Play with Sean Fitzmaurice – Highbury School		MOC
May 23	Music Month performance at the Manitoba Legislature		MMEA
May 30	Music Month performance at the Manitoba Legislature		MMEA
June 1-2	Community Band Festival (The Forks)		MBA
June 3	Creative Music Festival		MCGA
June 6	Play! – Celebrating over 40 years of Orff in Manitoba		MOC
July 2-12	Orff-Schulwerk levels 1 & 2 (Level 2 also offered en français)		MOC/U of M
July 3-6	Canadian Conference of Music Teachers' Association – Winnipeg		MRMTA
July 8-12	Summer Camp for Sax Doublers		
July 15-27	Kodály Level 1		U of M
August	MBA Summer Band Camps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prairie Percussion Workshop - Aug 6-9 • Summer Jazz Camp - Aug 11-16 • Summer Band Camp, Elmwood - Aug 11-16 • Summer Band Camp, Dauphin - Aug 12-16 • Summer Band Camp, Fort Garry - Aug 12-16 • Summer Band Camp, Oakbank - Aug 12-16 • Summer Band Camp, Garden City - Aug 19-23 • Summer Band Camp, St. James - Aug 19-23 		MBA
September 3	School Resumes		
October 25	TEMPO: Manitoba Music Conference		MMEA
Please contact the sponsoring organization directly to confirm event times, locations and registration information.			

Research & Advocacy

<https://psmag.com/education/middle-school-music-and-theater-students-get-better-grades?fbclid=IwAR28HWizrCL-UbEKnNPTjc4R1nHU5bh1FNrDKasrq8fA0Q9tafLrC-aBmlc>

<https://artseducationlove.wordpress.com/2019/02/21/importance-of-music-and-the-arts-in-schools/>

Spring 2019



The Coalition for Music Education in Canada is a national organization that seeks to raise the awareness and understanding of the role that music education plays in Canadian culture, and to promote the benefits that music education brings to young people. As we move towards May, the Coalition is eagerly preparing for our signature event: Music Monday.

Monday May 6, 2019 will mark our 15th annual Music Monday. In addition to more than 100 local events throughout the province, the Coalition is supporting a Regional Celebration in Brandon, where hundreds of musicians of all ages from many schools and community groups across the city will gather to put on their fourth annual free public concert. Brandon School Division choirs and elementary ensembles, the Brandon Conservatory Youth Choir, Suzuki Talent Education Program, and the Brandon Community Band will all be performing. For the concert finale all groups will join for a mass performance of, “Come With Us” by Manitoban composer, Michelle Pegus. This piece was originally commissioned especially for this event a number of years ago and will feature all the groups and musicians involved in the program together.

Several special guests from our community will also be in attendance and the event will once again be MC’d by Brandon’s own radio personality, Cam Clark. Some groups in attendance may also be performing separately before and/or after the concert in a variety of local venues to widen our musical reach to the community (see local listings for details). Come be a part of this exciting partnership between multiple local musical organizations as we celebrate music and music education in our community.

Winnipeg will also hold their fabulous annual event: Music Monday @ The Forks, on May 6th from 11:00am to 1:30pm under The Canopy! It’s a celebration highlighting music in schools across Canada, and will feature performances by the Nelson McIntyre Collegiate Concert Band and Jazz Band, the LRSD Show Choir, LRSD Harmony Choir, Dakota Collegiate Choir, Nordale Singers, Marion Grade 1-2-3 Choristers, and the Archwood Music Makers. The entire community is encouraged to come out and watch these enthusiastic students from grades 1 to 12 share their music-making with family, friends and Forks patrons!

Learn more about Music Monday by visiting www.coalitioncanada.ca

TEMPO

Friday, October 25th, 2019

As your Conference Chairperson, both my committee and I have been working diligently to put together a well “orchestrated” October 25th, 2019 Tempo: Manitoba Music Conference. We have finalized the session topics along with the clinicians and we know that you will each be provided with a wonderful day of professional learning.

We are very excited to welcome back Dr. Tim Lautzenheiser as our 2019 keynote speaker. Dr. Tim is a trusted friend to anyone interested in working with young people in developing a desire for excellence and a passion for high-level achievement. Dr. Tim created Attitude Concepts for Today Inc., an organization designed to manage the many requests for workshops focusing on the area of positive attitude and effective leadership training. He is a nationally recognized voice touting the importance of arts education for every child. His books continue to be bestsellers in the educational world. Sherryl Sewepagaham is a composer, music therapist, educator, curriculum writer, and national presenter. She is of Cree-Dene ancestry and is from the Little Red River Cree Nation in northern Alberta. Sherryl will be presenting sessions on *First Nations Drum Songs for Children* and *First Nations Orff Songs*. Artie Almeida comes to us from Orlando, Florida. She is the author of 27 acclaimed teaching resources for elementary teachers. Artie will be presenting *Percussive Possibilities* and *Sing! Move! Learn!* Michael Sweeney is Director of Band Publications for Hal Leonard Publishing. He contributes as a composer and arranger in all instrumental areas and is particularly known for his writing at the younger levels for concert and jazz bands. Mike will address everything from *World Music in the Bandroom*, *Teaching Beginning Jazz Strategies*, *Making Wise Choices for Young Bands* and a *Concert Band Reading Session*. Dr. Sherrie Maricle comes to us from New York. From the drum set Sherrie leads FIVE PLAY and the DIVA Jazz Orchestra. Sherrie runs a private drum set and percussion studio. Her first session is *Swing, Swang, Swung on the Drums*. Dr. Bryan Powell is an Assistant Professor of Music Education and Music Technology at Montclair State University. Bryan has served as Director of Higher Education for Little Kids Rock. He will present varied sessions on *Beginning and Intermediate Guitar* and *Little Kids Rock/ Jam Zone*. A highly sought after clinician, adjudicator, and guest conductor, André-Louis Heywood is a well-known specialist in developing young male voices, previously serving as Boychoir Repertoire & Standards Chair at both the state and division levels of ACDA. André is Artistic Director of St. John's Boys' Choir and Director of the All-College Choir at the College of Saint Benedict in Minnesota. We look forward to André sharing his choral expertise with Conference registrants.

These are just a few of the presenters and sessions that you will have an opportunity to partake in.

I look forward to seeing you on Friday, October 25th, 2019 at Mennonite Brethren Collegiate Institute, 180 Riverton Avenue, Winnipeg.

Judy Giesbrecht
Tempo: Manitoba Music Conference Chairperson

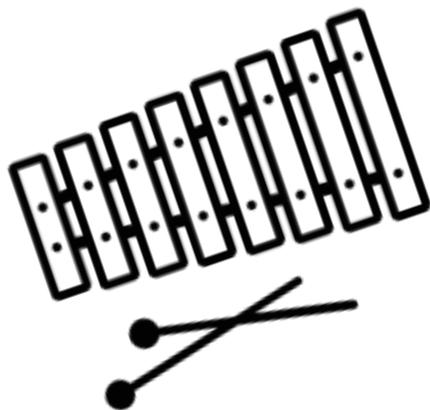


Manitoba Orff Chapter

MUSIC FOR CHILDREN - CARL ORFF CANADA - MUSIQUE POUR ENFANTS



STAY 'N PLAY – MAY 16, 2019



This year's Stay 'n Play will be led by Sean Fitzmaurice on Thursday, May 16, 2019 from 5:00pm - 7:30pm at Highbury School. Sean has a wealth of knowledge about and experience with the repertoire in all of the Orff Volumes, as well as the supplemental books. This workshop is an informal opportunity to play repertoire from the volumes with colleagues, and is always a lot of fun. This event is free for MOC members and only \$30.00 for non-members! Click [HERE](#) to register!

Join the Manitoba Orff Chapter and special guests as Manitoba students perform music in celebration of Carl Orff's approach to music education for children.

PLAY! 2019

Thursday, June 6, 2019
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
St. Vital Centre
Winnipeg, MB

The logo for the Manitoba Chapter of the Orff Society of Canada, identical to the one in the top left, is positioned in the bottom right corner of the poster. The poster background is dark blue with white musical notes and staves.



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MOC UPCOMING EVENTS

[Stay 'n Play – May 16, 2019](#)

[Play! – June 6, 2019](#)

[U of M Orff Levels I and II Courses – July 2-12, 2019](#)

[Make 'n Take – September 17, 2019](#)

[MOC/WSO Listening Workshops – September 27, 2019](#)

[Tempo – October 25, 2019](#)

[Fall Fiesta featuring Artie Almeida and AGM – October 26, 2019](#)

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

The Manitoba Orff Chapter is beginning to plan for its 2019-2021 Board of Directors. Serving as a board member is a great opportunity to network and give back to the music education community! If you are interested in volunteering on the board please contact Jewel Casselman at jicassel@mymts.net



Save the Date!



2019 Listening Workshops

Friday, September 27, 2019

Adventures in Music: 8:30am–3:30pm

Musical Discoveries: 4:30pm–8:00pm

At the Louis Riel Legacy Centre, 900 St. Mary's Rd.

Come listen, participate and experience highlights from the lesson plans for the 2019 WSO *Adventures in Music* and *Musical Discoveries* education programs. Registration will open in May.

2019-20 Concerts

Musical Discoveries

GRADES 1 - 3

- Monday, March 9, 2020 @ 10:30am
- Tues., March 10, 2020 @ 10:30am & 1:00pm

ADVENTURES IN MUSIC

GRADES 4 - 6

- Mon., April 27, 2020 @ 1:00pm
- Tues., April 28, 2020 @ 10:30am & 1:00pm
- Wed., May 13, 2020 @ 10:30am & 1:00pm
- Thur, May 14, 2020 @ 10:30am & 13h00 (en Français)



Manitoba Registered Music Teachers' Association
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Gala Concert

Wednesday, July 3, 2019 @ 7pm
Fort Garry Hotel Grand Ballroom

Featuring performances by
internationally renowned musicians:

Russell Braun
Douglas Finch
John Greer
The Meeks Duo
Adrienne Pieczonka
Dr. Christine Vanderkooy

With:

O. Koshetz Ukrainian choir | Harrington/Loewen Duo
Vioarneisti: Percussion/Clarinet Duo
Madame Diva et Micah | Eric & Kerrine Wilson
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and
Launch of MRMTA Book Commemorating 100 years!

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