

Delaware Music Educators Association

2008 Solo & Ensemble Festival

FESTIVAL DATE: March 8-9, 2008

O'Brien Arts Center St. Andrew's School Middletown, Delaware

The Delaware Music Educators Association (DMEA) extends an invitation to students in grades 9 – 12 to participate in our annual Solo & Ensemble Festival. The festival showcases students performing solo and chamber music repertoire, culminating in a "Winners Circle" recital. Renowned professional adjudicators will hear and critique each student performance, providing informative feedback for students and teachers. Participants may choose their method of evaluation – comments only, or comments with numerical scoring. There are no prescribed lists of music from which students may choose to perform; popular music, jazz and Broadway show music will not be considered acceptable for performance. Students should prepare a work that exemplifies the highest degree of their personal musicianship.

THE HIGHEST SCORING PARTICIPANTS WILL PERFORM IN OUR "WINNERS CIRCLE" RECITAL ON SUNDAY EVENING, MARCH 9, 2008.

Solo eligibility: All soloists must be in grades 9 – 12. Performers on woodwind, brass, percussion, strings, and solo singers are eligible. Keyboard soloists are ineligible. It is strongly recommended that soloists have a piano accompanist, secured by the applicant. In special circumstances, DMEA can provide a piano accompanist for an additional \$20.00 fee. See the application below for further information. Soloists are limited to one piece of music, which will be performed in its entirety. Solos should be between three to six minutes in length. Soloists will provide one copy of their solo and accompaniment for the adjudicator.

NOTE TO VOCALISTS: Vocal performances are limited to solo only; vocal ensembles are not eligible.

Ensemble eligibility: Small ensembles are limited to eight performers and may not have a conductor. Jazz band and rock bands will not be considered. All ensemble members must be in grades 9 – 12. Ensemble performances are limited to one selection, which will be performed in its entirety. Performances should be between three to six minutes in length. A copy of the piece, with all parts notated, should be provided for the adjudicator.

Parents or guardians **MUST** accompany students to and from the festival; applicants' teachers are not required to attend. Formal performance attire is expected and required of all Festival Recital participants.

To participate, complete the application and mail with proper remittance. Information regarding performance times, etc. will be sent to applicants by January 31, 2008.

Application fees for students of DMEA or DSMTA members: \$20.00 for soloists; \$35.00 for ensembles. Add \$15.00 to fees for students of non-DMEA or DSMTA teachers. Include a \$10.00 late fee for applications postmarked after January 15, 2008. No applications will be accepted after January 22, 2008. Checks payable to DMEA.

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2008 Solo & Ensemble Festival Application

Please print clearly.

STUDENT INFORMATION:

Name (First, Last) _____

Address _____ Town _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____

Grade _____ School _____

Check only one solo or one ensemble per application:

() Solo Instrument or voice: _____

Will you be using piano accompaniment? () Yes () No

If you request an accompanist be provided for you, check here: ()
Add \$20.00 to the application fee.

Title of solo _____ Composer _____

Choose your adjudication preference: () Comments and Scoring
() Comments only (ineligible for Winners Circle performance)

() Ensemble How many members? _____ List members other than yourself:

Name _____ School _____

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Name _____ School _____

Name _____ School _____

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Name _____ School _____

NOTE: ENDORSEMENTS (SEE REVERSE SIDE) MUST BE SIGNED FOR EACH ENSEMBLE MEMBER, EVEN THOUGH ONLY ONE APPLICATION AND FEE IS REQUIRED

List ensemble instrumentation_____

Choose your adjudication preference: () Comments and Scoring
() Comments only (ineligible for Winners Circle performance)

MUSIC TEACHER INFORMATION:

Name (First, Last)_____ E-mail_____

Phone (_____)_____ MENC/DSMTA ID#_____

Exp. Date _____ (a photocopy of membership card is acceptable)

ENDORSEMENTS (required for each solo applicant and each ensemble member)

**For ensemble members, reproduce this page for as many copies as necessary.
Submit all members' endorsements with application and ensemble fee in one mailing.**

1. **Music Teacher:** I endorse this student and will encourage and prepare him/her to successfully participate in this festival.

Music Teacher Signature: _____

Print name: _____

2. **Student applicant:** I am aware that a parent or another adult must accompany me to and from this festival and that I will follow the festival's posted rules.

Student Signature: _____

Print name: _____

3. **Parent:** As parent/guardian I give permission for my son/daughter to participate in the 2008 Solo & Ensemble Festival. I understand that DMEA does not assume responsibility for illness or accident. I further attest that I or another designated adult will be attending the festival with the student.

Parent Signature: _____

Print name: _____

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Fee submitted with this application: \$_____

Mail this completed form with proper fee to:

Dr. Fred Geiersbach c/o St. Andrew's School 350 Noxontown Road Middletown, DE 19709