

## **2020 MMC VOICE FESTIVAL INSTRUCTIONS**

DATE: February 8, 2020

LOCATION: **University of New Orleans**

ENTRY DEADLINE: January 20, 2020

MAKE UP DATE: TBA

### ***NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED***

Please refer to the rules and regulations in the June 2016-June 2020 Festivals Bulletin. Specific rules covering vocal events are explained in detail for each event and class. Rules changes are listed on the NFMC website at [www.nfmc-music.org](http://www.nfmc-music.org) and should be reviewed by each junior counselor. The chairman will check for errors but ultimately the responsibility for repertoire, progression, etc. lies with the TEACHER.

**PROGRESSION:** Any student who earned a superior rating last year **must progress to the next higher level** with the following exceptions: adult students (over the age of 19--see page 3); art song and musical theatre duet events (see pages 138-142).

**DUET PARTNERSHIPS:** The lowest permissible class is the **lower partner's solo class**. There is an error in the bulletin on page 140 which shows a discrepancy in this rule. In addition, the entrants' solo classes must be within two levels of each other (example: Jr 3 and Sr 2 are acceptable. They could compete at the junior level for duet. Jr 3 and Sr 3 are not acceptable.) A student **must** be entered in a solo event in order to enter a duet event.

**ACCOMPANISTS:** Please furnish the name of each student's accompanist in the "Notes" section of your teachers lists. We need this information so that we can avoid scheduling conflicts. **ACCOMPANISTS MUST PLAY FROM ORIGINAL PUBLISHED SCORES OR LEGALLY DOWNLOADED SCORES.** Failure to comply will result in disqualification.

MUSIC FOR JUDGES: Students must provide an original score for the judge. If you do not have a second score available please make arrangements with another teacher or student to borrow one.

MUSICIANSHIP TESTS: If your student needs to take a musicianship test please do this at Piano Festival on February 23.

MAKE-UPS: Make-ups are available for any student who absolutely cannot sing on Festival Day. I will do my best to accommodate conflicts on that day so only use a make-up as a last resort. Please remember that student who sing make-ups cannot be considered for Honors Recital.

TRANSFER STUDENTS: Notate with an asterisk \* on the teacher list and provide all necessary information.

HONORS RECITAL: Saturday, March 14 at UNO.

SCHEDULING: I will do my best to schedule each teacher's students in blocks. This may depend upon several factors including accompanists' schedules and special requests.

FORMS: We are using new forms for everything this year. Please download the following forms from our website and include hard Copies in your packet. Check with Mark Vile for specific instructions regarding electronic submission of forms.

**TEACHER LIST:** This can be filled out online. You need only send one copy in your teacher packet. It will be returned to you in your packet with the 2020 info filled in. Please list events in this order: Art Song Solo, Musical Theatre Solo, Art Song Duet, Musical Theatre Duet and Musicianship. There is a separate event tab for each one. Save this to your computer for future reference. Please list any scheduling requests, etc. on a separate sheet.

**RATING SHEET:** One sheet per student per event. These can be filled out online and printed out. It's much easier to read and faster to do.

**OFFICIAL JR. CLUB APPLICATION:** Print out and **sign** (cannot be filled out online). List all students in alphabetical order---last name, first name. If student is an adult (over age 19) please note this.

You must also include in your packet a **3X5" INDEX CARD** for each new student. Please use this format:

Last Name, First Name	Junior Club Name
Event	
Year	Class

**PAYMENT ACCOUNT SHEET:** You must include this sheet along with your check made out to Metairie Music Club. Please submit one check---do not include checks written from individual students.

FEES: \$17.00 for the first solo event (if a student is also playing piano that counts as the first event. All vocal events would then be \$8.00 each). \$8.00 for each second, third, etc. solo event. Duets are \$8.00 **per student**. Musicianship is \$8.00.

ADULT STUDENTS: There are some special rules for adult students. Consult page 3 of the bulletin. Please note that adult students must be senior members of the Metairie Music Club and must have paid \$30.00 in senior dues.

Completed registration packets **must be received by the chairman by Monday, January 20**. They may be mailed or dropped off to Bonnie Knowles at 101 Homestead Avenue, Metairie, LA.

