

VOICE FESTIVAL INSTRUCTIONS-2022

DATE: Saturday, February 19, 2022

LOCATION: University of New Orleans

MAKE-UP DATE: TBA (week prior to Festival)

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: January 26, 2022. Please note that you must register on Vivace by **11:59 pm EST**. After that time you will be locked out of the system. **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!!!**

COVID PROTOCOLS: UNO has not issued any vaccination requirements for outside events at this time. Specific protocols will be determined in a few weeks and you will be advised then. Masks will be required for everyone. Students may remove masks while singing.

RULES: Please read carefully the rules and regulations in the 2020-2024 NFMC Bulletin as there have been some changes. There are also several errors/omissions in the vocal section and it is **your responsibility** to go to the NFMC website at www.nfmc-music.org to check for repertoire corrections, etc.

PROGRESSION: Any student who earned a superior rating at the last festival must progress to the next higher level with the following exceptions:

Pre-Primary students - see page 187 in bulletin

Musically Advanced students - see pages 187 and 199

Adult students (over the age of 19) see page 2.

Art Song and Musical Theatre duet events - see pages 210 and 212

DUET PARTNERSHIPS: The lowest permissible class is the **lower partner's solo class**. Also, the entrants' solo classes must be within 2 levels of each other.

GENDER-APPROPRIATE REPERTOIRE: Art Song Solo only - please refer to page 187, #2.

ACCOMPANISTS: Please furnish the name of each student's accompanist in the "notes" section of the teacher list. I need this information in order to avoid scheduling conflicts.

MUSIC FOR JUDGES: Students must provide an original score for the judge. Legally downloaded music is acceptable. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

MUSICIANSHIP THEORY TESTS: These will be administered by the student's teacher on a date prior to the festival day. Tests will be given to Margarita Harvey for scoring.

MAKE-UPS: Make-ups will be scheduled during the week prior to the festival. Specific date TBA.

HONORS RECITAL: Due to Covid concerns Honors Recital will not take place this year. Students will be selected by judges and the names will be posted on the MMC website.

TRANSFER STUDENTS: Please notate with an asterisk* on the teacher list and provide all information.

SCHEDULING: Please attach any scheduling requests on a separate piece of paper to your teacher list.

FORMS: Some forms have been changed or completely eliminated. Please make sure that you are using **current forms from the NFMC or MMC websites**. They should be dated 2021 (NFMC) or 2022 (MMC).

1. **ALL ENTRANTS:** NFMC form JR 3-8 dated 2021. This replaces the Official Application Form. This is a PDF that can be filled in online, printed and submitted with the teacher's signature. **It is required!**
2. **TEACHER'S LIST:** This form has been redesigned and simplified. Please read the directions! **Only 1 copy is needed.** I would prefer that you fill this out electronically in PDF or Excel and e-mail it to me at bonnietknowles@gmail.com. List students as: Last Name, First Name and use a separate sheet for each EVENT. Note: if the blank for "Jr Club Name" cannot be filled out on the computer, please write it in by hand.
3. **RATING SHEETS:** **no rating sheets are needed.** These will be generated through Vivace and printed out by Mark. I will have them at Festival.
4. **3 X 5 Index Cards:** **You do not need to submit these for new students.** I will still have the back-up files in case they are needed.
5. **Payment Sheet:** Please submit this with your check so that I know exactly what you are paying for. NOTE: If you have a student who is playing piano, that will count as the first event for \$17.00. All additional events are \$8.00 each. That means that all vocal events will be \$8.00. Submit one check payable to Metairie Music Club. Only submit payments for VOICE.

Please mail or drop off your complete packet with payment to: Bonnie Knowles at 101 Homestead Avenue Metairie, LA 70005. Call me with any questions at 504-812-5681. Thanks for your participation and let's hope that all goes as planned!

