

January 2020



Lafleche & District Music Festival 2020 Annual Newsletter

It's Music Festival season once again! Our dates for the 2020 festival are Sunday, March 29 to Friday, April 3, 2020. Please note that the entire festival, including the final concert, will be held at the Lafleche United Church. The Church has been reserved for practice from March 23 through March 28. This year, Voice and Speech Arts will be March 29 to April 1. Piano will be April 1 to April 3. The Final Concert will be held Sunday, April 5, 2020 at 2:00pm.

This year, the Lafleche & District Music Festival will be using an alternative **ONLINE ENTRY** method. The online registration web site for the Lafleche and District 2020 Music Festival is: <https://form.jotform.com/193516696064063>

You can now make payments by e-transfer: laflechemusicalfestival@gmail.com or by mailing a cheque to: **Karrie Gross, Box 127, Hazenmore SK, S0N 1C0, 306-264-7737**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Karrie Gross by email karrieg@sasktel.net or by cell 306-264-7737 **prior** to the festival.

Reminder... Competitors **12 & under** need to only compete in a total of two (2) solo voice or musical theatre classes, *regardless of discipline*, to qualify for voice or musical theatre awards and scholarships. However, they must compete in two (2) piano solos to qualify for piano scholarships. Our musical theatre and voice scholarships are now separated.

Competitors **13 & over** must continue to compete in two (2) solo classes in the same discipline (ex 2 piano, 2 voice, 2 musical theatre) to qualify for the corresponding awards and scholarships.

Competitors of all ages must only compete in one (1) solo speech arts class to qualify for scholarships.

As in the past, duets, small ensembles, family ensembles, choral groups and/or choir performances do not qualify as an individual (solo) entry. These groups, however, can qualify for the corresponding awards and scholarships with one entry.

Entry fees are \$10 per solo or duet piece and \$15 per choir/ensemble (3+ performers) piece. *Please note that no refund of entry fees can be given after the entry deadline.*

Competitors must be available for each date of the festival. Please keep scheduling requests to a minimum. All special requests will be considered.

The entry deadline for piano, voice and musical theatre is **February 1, 2020**. The entry deadline for speech arts is February 15, 2020. All entries must be made by the appropriate dates. To register, please visit <https://form.jotform.com/193516696064063>

The **Adrian Frank Competition** will be tentatively held on Friday, April 3, 2020 at 7:00pm. A maximum of eight performers will be chosen by the adjudicators: one speech art performance, two musical theatre performances, two voice performances and three piano performances. The winner will be awarded \$150.⁰⁰ and each performer will receive \$50.⁰⁰.

All awards and scholarships are the adjudicators' decisions. The adjudicators are also responsible for the selection of performers in our final concert and for our Adrian Frank Competition.

The Lafleche & District Music Festival Committee is dedicated to the students we serve. In an effort to "give back to the students" and to invest in their future, we wish to contribute toward their music education. We are willing to assist with the cost of music camps, workshops and other musical education endeavors. Students are encouraged to apply to the committee with the **Music Camp Sponsorship application form** by September 30, 2020, to be considered at our meeting in November. The forms are available by contacting the LDMF Committee by email at laflechemusicfestival@gmail.com.

Note to Teachers and Schools: Remind your students that competition in **Speech Arts** is always an option. It is a great way to instill confidence in children who may not wish to compete musically. We have several new scholarships devoted to speech arts to help encourage and support students in this area. You only have to be entered in one Speech Arts Class to be eligible for a scholarship.

All program and entry inquiries should be directed to Karrie Gross. Any other questions concerning the LDMF can be directed to our president, Sharla Girardin.

We look forward to another educational and entertaining festival and we wish all participants the best of luck!!

Melinda Massé
Corresponding Secretary

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